

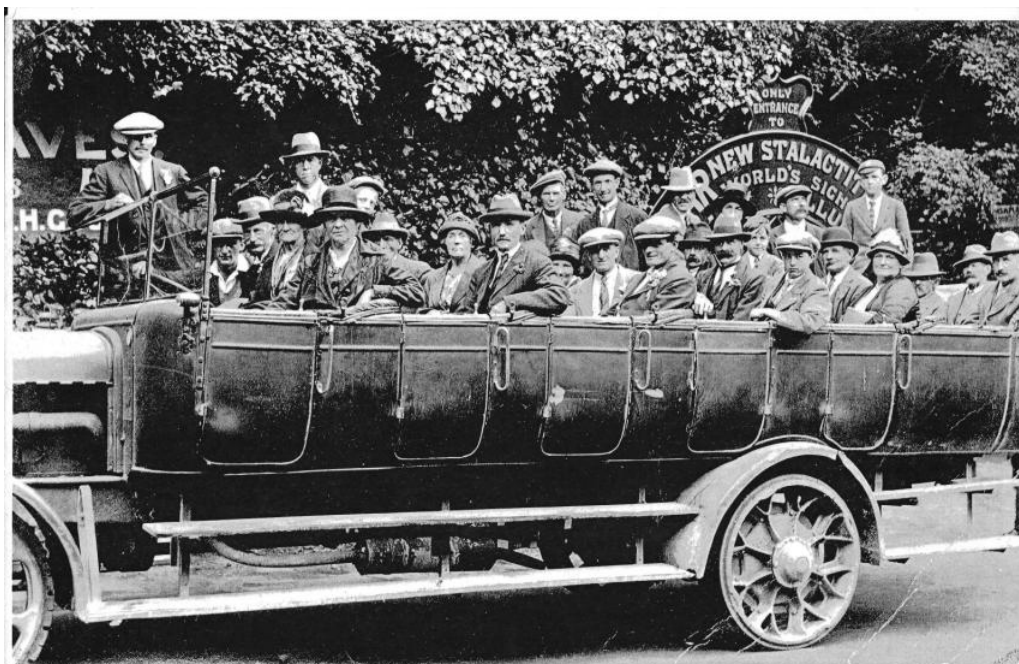


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## Here Comes Spring!

After a winter with so much rain (see page 12 to see just how much!) and then the snow and freezing conditions most of us were wondering if we would ever get back out into our gardens! And now, as the editor compiles this edition we seem to be in a mini heatwave! What next.....To celebrate the arrival of spring and summer we have included a host of things to do, events to attend in East Knoyle and nearby and as always, requests for residents to offer a few hours to get involved in making these things happen.....

most events do not require a huge commitment. Perhaps someone might organise a village outing like the one pictured above from 1925! Enjoy.....

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## St Mary's Church

Despite the lingering grey skies, the celebration of our Easter Sung Eucharist was a joyous occasion, enhanced by attractive floral arrangements which were enjoyed by the many villagers and visiting friends and relatives who also attended: on a personal note - now that Lent has passed, at last my fancy for a bite or two of chocolate is permitted once again!

Snow intervened for our planned Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting which was cancelled and had to be re-scheduled for Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April at 6.00 pm in the Village Hall. Very unusually we also found it necessary to cancel Services on two Sundays – due to “The Beast from the East”. During these conditions, parishioners kept an eye out for those needing a helping hand, clearing paths or collecting shopping: however some of the young had a splendid time sledging or building snowmen before the white stuff disappeared!

Please note that there are one or two “different” Services in our Benefice during the April/May period. On the 29<sup>th</sup> April we will meet at 9.00 am at St Catherine's Sedgehill for a three-mile walk to “Beat the Bounds”, prior to the Rogation Service at 9.30 in the Church: dogs and children are especially welcome! On Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> May everyone is invited to meet at Win Green at 11.00 am for an open air Ascension Day Service: do take a picnic lunch to enjoy in the lovely surroundings afterwards.

The Archdeacon of Sarum has circulated news of a significant theft of lead from a Church in Salisbury. He recommends that friends and neighbours of our Church should be vigilant and report anything suspicious to the Police.

Our Fundraising Programme is on course and we continue to raise awareness that the future of our beautiful Church requires our support. Good news! Our Fete is to be held at Knoyle House Ground and playing field on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> September, and the planning is well under way. Another date for your diary is a Village Wine Tasting on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June: this will be held in the Village Hall and ticket holders will be able to sample wines from around the world and enjoy a light lunch after the Tasting: tickets will be on sale as usual in our splendid Community Shop.

Our present Churchwarden, Michael Butler, will be retiring at the APCC Meeting: we all thank him immensely for devoting so much time and energy to our Church over a considerable number of years, with enormous help from his wife, Jill. St Mary's cannot run without guidance and his commitment has been unstinting in overseeing the affairs of the Church and giving much needed support for our Rector, Richard.

Briony Hamilton



### St. Mary's BBQ and Fete 2018 Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> September

Following the resounding success of last year in its new format we are arranging a similar event on the **Football Ground and surrounds at Knoyle House Grounds on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> September**, writes John Reading.

Unfortunately Michael Butler who masterminded last year's arrangements has departed the village and a new team is required. Some have been approached and accepted but basically we require willing and able help to make the creation of as enjoyable an afternoon as possible. The venue enhances the notion of church

and village coming together and this will be the theme that was so evidently seen in 2017.

Please contact Nicki Sturrock, 830143 or 07793935419 (email- [nicolasturrock@btinternet.com](mailto:nicolasturrock@btinternet.com)) with any suggestions or offers of help.

We will report back monthly through the Parish Magazine our progress to date and to keep the day uppermost in all our minds.

## Parish Council News

The Parish Council were fortunate to have our Wiltshire County Councillor, Bridget Wayman attend the Parish Assembly held on 10th April. Bridget is a regular PC meeting attender. Following frequent PC protestations over the condition of roads around the village it seems we may be on the verge of some action. Wise Lane, in particular the section that runs through the Green and past the Fox and Hounds appears to have moved up the list of priorities, and .....we hope to see some improvements quite soon.

The SIDS (speed indicator device) feasibility meeting held on the 24th March was poorly attended. The purpose of the meeting was to assess if there was a ground swell of opinion, to be matched with volunteer numbers, strong enough to assemble a team to operate the system. At this point in time the PC will not proceed with this idea any further. One thing to come out of the meeting however, was the need to reduce speed limits in some parts of the village to 30mph where they are currently 60mph. The PC will be putting together a working party to look into how we can achieve this and if you would like to be a part of this, contact the Clerk. The more the merrier!!

The PC appointed Mark Howell and Phil Buttress to look after the cutting of grass and maintenance of KHG playground at the meeting on the 10th April. WCC will cut verges as late as they can and will be responsible for keeping junctions safe when the growing season is in full swing.

Kevin Stow

Clerk to the Council. Tel: 830431 [kandbstow@hotmail.com](mailto:kandbstow@hotmail.com)



### Record breaking Litter Pick!

Due to extreme weather in March the annual litter pick was rescheduled to Sunday 25th. This clashed with Palm Sunday and numbers were reduced as a consequence. This did not stop records tumbling and altogether 64 bags of litter were collected from around the village, plus tyres of various shapes and sizes and a whole host of other items.

Many thanks to those who could not make it on the 25th but who "litter picked" in advance. Ian Gurney single handed collected 40 bags of rubbish from around the village! This made our work on 25th easier than it would otherwise have been. Once again it seems to be the main routes into and away from the village is where most litter is found. The road to Hindon always yields plenty of litter and once again we were not disappointed. As a bonus we were able to meet with the Hindon Litter Pickers half way along the road where a bout of self congratulatory back slapping ensued. Many thanks to all who participated.  
*Kevin Stow,*



## stop press.....



**The Village Archives** will be available for public viewing on **Tuesday 8th May** from 5pm to 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Come and look at the wealth of material that is available to us all. Find out a bit more about the history of East Knoyle. Perhaps investigate who lived in your house years ago? What did the area look like 100 years ago? Great for school projects!

This will be followed by the **Parish Council Annual General Meeting** to which all East Knoyle Residents are warmly welcomed. Find out about the 'here and now' as well as the past!

# EAST KNOYLE COMMEMORATES

On November 11<sup>th</sup> our village will be joining thousands of communities in cities, towns and other villages throughout the world in commemorating the centenary of the 1918 Armistice. I am pleased to report that since the publication of our special supplement to the EKVN, the programme of events suggested by groups and individuals in our village continues to strengthen and grow – as you can see from the reports below.

Latest news is that details have been finalised for the East Knoyle Flower and Vegetable Show to feature two classes to mark the centenary.

Also the RBL City of Salisbury Band will perform a concert over the weekend of 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> October featuring some of the special material they will be performing on Armistice Day in Salisbury Cathedral.

As you will see, a lot of time and effort is going into making this a memorable occasion so, if you can, please take the opportunity to participate in some way. There is a lot to do.



## Are YOU in this?

For instance, all events are intended to be self-supporting but to help finances we are seeking sponsors, from individuals or local businesses, to ensure that all costs are covered. It is intended that refreshments will be available at all events so we need volunteers to join the catering teams. Over the past weeks The 1918 History Trail project has been boosted by new recruits to the team and received contributions from local families. No offer of help is too small so please keep an eye on our regular updates to see what, if anything, you can do to help. See below for contact numbers for all events.

Mike Waterhouse  
Chairman  
EK Royal British Legion

### Contacts for New Ideas or Enquiries

Mike Waterhouse (EK RBL)	830 251
Ron Clark (EK RBL)	830 354
Tim Hyde (EKPC)	830 718



### Review by the Entertainers of East Knoyle

Although relatively early days, since the last newsletter a tremendous amount of research into a rich vein of material has been carried out and an entertaining, yet reflective, running order is gradually being compiled.

EEK members have responded enthusiastically to the range of content and themes available, however, we would certainly welcome any contributions to the show that you would like to make.

The village hall has been booked for performances on **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November** so there is still time to get involved, either on or back stage. This is a project for the whole village so just contact me.

Alan Knight  
830132



*The 'East Knoyle Commemorates' pages are kindly sponsored by Tim Hyde, Master Thatcher*



## The East Knoyle 1918 Trail

The story so far.....

The starting point for the trail is the names on our war memorial. Building on the excellent work of Tony Claydon, Dawn Small and the late Jan Oliver, we know the servicemen's rank; parents, brothers and sisters, where they were born and are buried.

Following our appeal in the last newsletter, the Joliffe family have kindly come forward with documents and a photograph of the house where the three brothers, all killed in action, lived. This is just the kind of material and help we are looking for.

The team are trawling the archives, the Internet and reading maps of, and books about, East Knoyle. We need those stories handed down through the generations and any information that could confirm or build upon facts we already have. Mostly we just have one word as a clue of an address: Milton, Upton, or Holloway. Now we need to find the exact house.

Is your house built prior to 1918? Do you have any old letters or documents that will help us fill in the gaps. Your family photographs will probably reveal more than you think. Everything you have will be of great interest to us. Please be assured that all material will be copied and safely returned to you. This is a sustainable project as it is the intention that all material, subject to the owner's permission, will eventually form part of a digitised village archive ensuring that it will be readily available for generations to follow.

Already our attention is turning to the people who served in the armed services and thankfully returned. Their records and the details of their post war life are more difficult to find.

Before the war the population here numbered 853. After 1918 this had been reduced to 650. Where did those people go? Most 'East Knoylers' were agricultural workers employed by the big estates that had to be sold off, either to meet death duties or through the lack of a generation to run them. So probably there was less work for the men to return to. Perhaps the men gained new skills and moved on. We would like to know.

Technology had moved on. Our farmer's 'horsepower' used to mean, well, real horses that used to be a huge part of everyday working life here. The loss of horses to the battlefield and introduction of tractors altered country life forever.

There are so many elements we wish to cover. So far we have made no mention of the women of East Knoyle. It would be very interesting to hear about the brave souls who waved their husbands and sons goodbye and just carried on. Were there any farms here in the hands of women farmers, perhaps with the help of the Land Army? We know women did more than knit socks and write letters to their loved ones. Despite yet to be granted the right to vote the country relied on them to play their part. So, it's time to ask, "What did great grandmother do in the war?"

Please contact us with any information, or offers of help.

Jan 830132

Elaine 830228

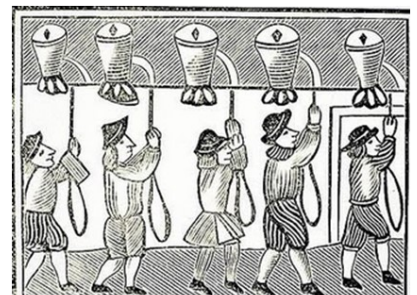
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### Ladies Citizen Watch Draw

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"It was a wonderful surprise to hear that I had won this lovely watch in the EKVN draw. It was great fun meeting Rachel and the team at Griffins Jewellers. A big thank you to them for such a warm welcome and donating such a generous prize".



### Website Competition Winner

Maria Standingford correctly answered all the questions about the East Knoyle Website and won the Wren's Shop voucher donated by the Newsletter. Maria is seen here receiving her prize from the Editor.

Have you visited the website recently? Most people are surprised at just how much information is on it. Go to [www.east-knoyle.co.uk](http://www.east-knoyle.co.uk).



### East Knoyle Village Hall

The Village Hall continues to be a popular venue. The last *Moviola* takes place on the 30th May. A big thank you to the team that provide the evening's activities which makes such a difference to the atmosphere in the Hall.

There is to be a **Village Wine Tasting in the Village Hall on the 9<sup>th</sup> June**. It is a fundraising event for the Church; I am sure that you will all agree,

the building does need to be looked after and anyone living in the village knows how much this particular church adds to the importance of our village. The ticket price of £15.00 not only covers the entertainment but also £5.00 to the Church fund. This will be a fun event, the wine tasting will be in the marquee on the grass and for the light lunch, tables of 6 will be set out in the Hall. There will be a bar available in the Medieval Room to purchase wine, beer and soft drinks to have with your lunch. Why not get a group of 6 friends together?

The Hall continues to attract a wide variety of activities. At least one wedding celebration has been booked for this year already and our Letting Secretary Nicki is ready to receive any enquiries. Upgrading some of the areas in the Hall will be undertaken in the near future.

As we come to the end of the administrative year of the Village Hall Committee there will be a Notice posted for the **Annual General Meeting which takes place on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May at 7.00 pm** in the Hall. All residents of East Knoyle are welcome to attend.

To round off ..... by popular demand, there will be a Village Quiz in the late Autumn!

*David Jenkins*



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For residents of East Knoyle who have not taken the opportunity to join the current shareholding, please consider signing up so that you can play a part in forming the future of our village shop. Subscribing this year will enable you to attend and vote at the 2019 AGM. It costs just £5 – payable through the till in the shop – and the money goes towards administration costs of the business. Please be a part of our amazing village resource so we can keep it for many more years to come. Ask in the shop for details.

The unseasonable weather possibly slowed initial Easter sales but the amazing collection of eggs and chocolates vanished in the last week. We are delighted to announce that the Easter Raffle prize of an enormous and beautiful egg was won by the by Ian & Rosina Elliot and we hear it went down a treat (over many days!) with their children, grandchildren and neighbours. Our raffle raised over £250 so thank you everyone that bought a ticket.



As we go to press, sunnier weather beckons and the weekend saw a rush on the ice-cream freezer. We are confident our restocking will once again become more regular as we settle into the relationship with our new supplier, Batley's, and look forward to seeing all of you coming in to fill your baskets.

*Paul Egginton*



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## Knogle Knature Notes

The Parish litter pick in March was responsible for discovering the **Scarlet Elf Cup Mushroom** (see photo). On first catching sight of some vivid colour amongst the undergrowth off the margin on Wise Lane, I went to pick up what I took to be some sweet wrappings. With malevolent thoughts of what I'd like to do to the person who discarded them, on getting closer I thought, no they're Camellia petals, before seeing that they were exquisitely formed mushrooms growing on dead wood amongst the leaf litter. These edible mushrooms are one of the few to appear in the colder months. They apparently make an audible puffing sound when they release their spores.



There's much excitement as the world's heaviest flying bird makes a return to SW England. Symbolised on the Wiltshire County flag, The Great Bustard had been hunted to extinction in the county by the 1830's. Now, thanks to the perseverance of David Waters, The Great Bustard Group is presiding over an increasingly successful programme to re-establish a sustainable native breeding population, principally in the South West, but also in other parts of its former breeding range. See [www.greatbustard.org](http://www.greatbustard.org)

Another species extinction is being addressed by Southampton University, who are undertaking a project to re-establish the most beautifully marked but climate sensitive butterfly, the Black veined white. Warmer days have brought us the first hatches of the sulphur yellow Brimstone and Small tortoiseshell, with overwintered Red Admirals and Peacocks appearing from hibernation. Keep your eyes open for moths, two of our most vividly coloured varieties, the Jersey Tiger and the Scarlet Tiger are both day flyers and may be seen amongst garden flowers from May.

The ongoing decline of the wild bee population continues to be a concern, with the use of neonicotinoid pesticides generally quoted as a major cause, along with disease and loss of habitat. DEFRA has both a huge opportunity and equally obligation in its formation of a new and 'fit for purpose' agricultural policy for Britain post 2019. This must recognise the vital importance of our farmers as the principal stewards of so much of our landscape. Policies are required that encourage and incentivise the cultivation of sustainably diversified crops, within an environmental framework that re-establishes the corridors of connectivity so vital to the survival and proliferation of species within the diverse beauty of our countryside.

*The Yaffle*

## East Knoyle Choir @ Shaftesbury Fringe – Saturday 30 June

This will be our 3<sup>rd</sup> year performing at this fun-filled event held this year over the weekend of 29 June to 1 July



(<http://shaftesburyfringe.co.uk/>).

Last year we were blessed with warm sunshine and we sang in the beautiful Abbey Gardens to a large and appreciative audience.

This year we will be appearing as follows –

1.00 pm Abbey Gardens  
3.00 pm The Grosvenor Arms

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*Louise Brown*  
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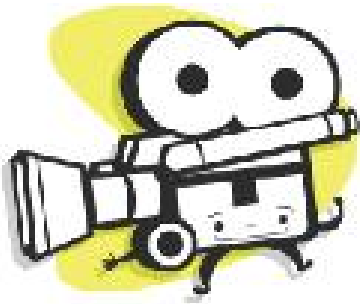
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## ? Do you remember ?

A taster of what you might uncover if you go to the **Village Hall on Tuesday 8th May** from 5 to 7.30pm.





## MOVIOLA

Our last production of this season (doesn't time fly!) will be **THE POST (12a)** on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> May**. It is directed by Steven Spielberg and there are two huge stars in the main roles: Tom Hanks and Meryl Streep - so we know we are in safe hands.

Hanks plays the gritty editor of the *Washington Post*, Ben Bradlee, and Streep is Kathleen Graham, the owner and therefore ultimate decision-maker when it comes to publishing the controversial 'Pentagon Papers'. The Papers have been leaked to the press and contain devastating analyses of the American military intervention in Vietnam. The film depicts a period when many Americans were questioning the wisdom of continuing with this policy.

The atmosphere of the 70s feels very real, with the noise of the typewriters in the pressroom and the printing presses spitting out the latest editions to meet the morning deadlines. It reminds us of the indispensable role of the free press in a democracy, quite pertinent in this era of 'fake news'.

We shall be serving baked potatoes as usual with a choice of delicious fillings. There will be a bar serving wine, soft drinks and snacks, with ice creams available in the interval.

The tickets remain at £5 and can be bought in Wren's Shop or on the door. We start serving at about 6.50 pm and the film begins at 7.30 pm.

We look forward to seeing you in the Village Hall.

Sara Southerden



## East Knoyle Rainfall

Rainfall recorded  
March 129 mm (5.08")

What a March, we started with snow, then rain, then snow again in the middle and then more rain. I recorded rainfall on 21 days and there was only one spell of three days and one spell of two days plus four single days without rain. The 5.08" (129 mm) of rain recorded was well above the March average of the last 24 years of 3.30" (83.82mm), indeed it was the wettest March by far in the last 24 years. 2008 was the wettest March by far until now at 4.53".

Writing this now (on 15 April) obviously April's figures won't be available until the next Edition, but so far April has been quite spectacular for rain as well.

Well that's the rainfall. ....

***Can I make a plea to all you readers. Please all of you look deep into your hearts to see if one or some of you can take take over the Editorship of this Newsletter. It would be such a shame to see it close, I don't know of anyone who doesn't enjoy it and find it very useful. Unfortunately I am not well enough or computer literate enough to take it on.***

*Robin Egerton*

## Easter Treasure Hunt

The organisers of the Treasure hunt had been worried about the last minute change of venue from Clouds Lodge to Village Hall. In the event this was unnecessary as things turned out, as due to good signage, all you kind people, parents and children, turned up to make it a happy and successful afternoon. It was a lot drier but not quite as exciting as the wild and beautiful garden that had previously been the setting. The hunt for eggs went down well, the stalls were well patronised and there were cakes in plenty to go with the afternoon tea. Due to your generosity over £300 was taken with only the expense of hiring the hall to be extracted. Thank you ALL for coming.

*Monica Snell, Friends of East Knoyle.*

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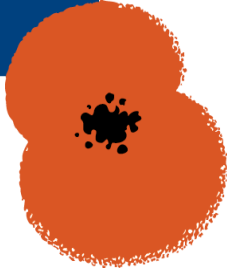
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## RBL Branch News

### Centenary of Armistice Day 2014

Since our last report there have been three consultation meetings with the Parish Council and local groups to discuss how the village can commemorate and reflect upon this important date in November. You can catch up on progress to date on the dedicated page elsewhere within the newsletter.



### Social Events

Over the past months, planning for the Armistice Day Centenary has taken up quite a large proportion of our time but we have also taken the opportunity to look forward to better weather and work on our summer social calendar.

The first event will be a talk on the history of the Gurkha Regiment and other related topics by General Sir Peter Duffell KCB, CBE, MC. This will be held on the 18<sup>th</sup> June at 6.00pm in the village hall. Commissioned into the Gurkha Regiment in 1960, Sir Peter saw service in Malaya, Singapore and Northern Ireland before commanding British Forces in Hong Kong. This will be a reasonably priced ticket event, refreshments will be available with all proceeds in aid of the Poppy Appeal. More information is to follow but make a note in your diaries now to hear this interesting and sought after speaker.

On the 26<sup>th</sup> June we are planning a visit to the Brooklands Museum, 'the birthplace of British Motorsport and Aviation', to see their fine collection of vehicles and aircraft – including Concorde and the Wellington bomber. Cost will be between £12 and £15 depending on how many people attend and which package is chosen. Travel will be via car share and I am sure a pub lunch will be squeezed in at some point in the schedule. Again, guests are most welcome and more info is to follow.



### Poppy Appeal 2017/18

The total banked to date now stands at £7,327 and is soon to be boosted.

### Changes to the next Branch Meetings Date:

To avoid clashing with other events being held at The Fox and Hounds during the Bank Holiday period, the meeting originally scheduled for the 14<sup>th</sup> May now moves forward to Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm.

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## Hindon Surgery News

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### Volunteers and the community spirit

Whilst most of our patients help us by their active involvement in their health care as resourceful patients, many of you also help the surgery and the community by volunteering, and we would like to thank all of you for this fantastic work. We would also encourage far more people to think about what they could do, especially as one of the few things shown to improve health and longevity is voluntary work.

We run a prescription request drop-off and dispensed medicines pick-up service from East Knoyle shop two days a week and the transport is done by two very dedicated volunteers with a willing deputy. They cannot go on supporting their community forever and we would welcome more volunteers so this service can continue to the benefit of all our patients living in East Knoyle.

We also have marvellous help from our patient representative group (PRG) with over a hundred virtual members, and around twenty who contribute to our annual meetings. This year we hope to build a new surgery to provide care to the patients of Hindon and the surrounding villages for the next fifty years. We need the help of younger and working patients (that's anyone under 75!) – you are the people who will most benefit from this and you can influence what will happen by joining the PRG. (If you want to join, just let reception know and check that your email details are up-to-date).

The snow showed just what a fantastic community we live in with volunteers clearing the snow, calling on the elderly living alone, offering to drop off prescriptions or supplies or get staff into work. We were struck by two things – how well it worked but also how few younger people were involved. We know the pressures on working patients but if you are interested in lifestyle that promotes your own good health as well as the usual not smoking, taking regular exercise, eating and drinking sensibly and being ideal body weight – please think about volunteering to do something, however small, to help your local community. It will be good for the community but very good for you.

*Dr Patrick Craig-McFeely*

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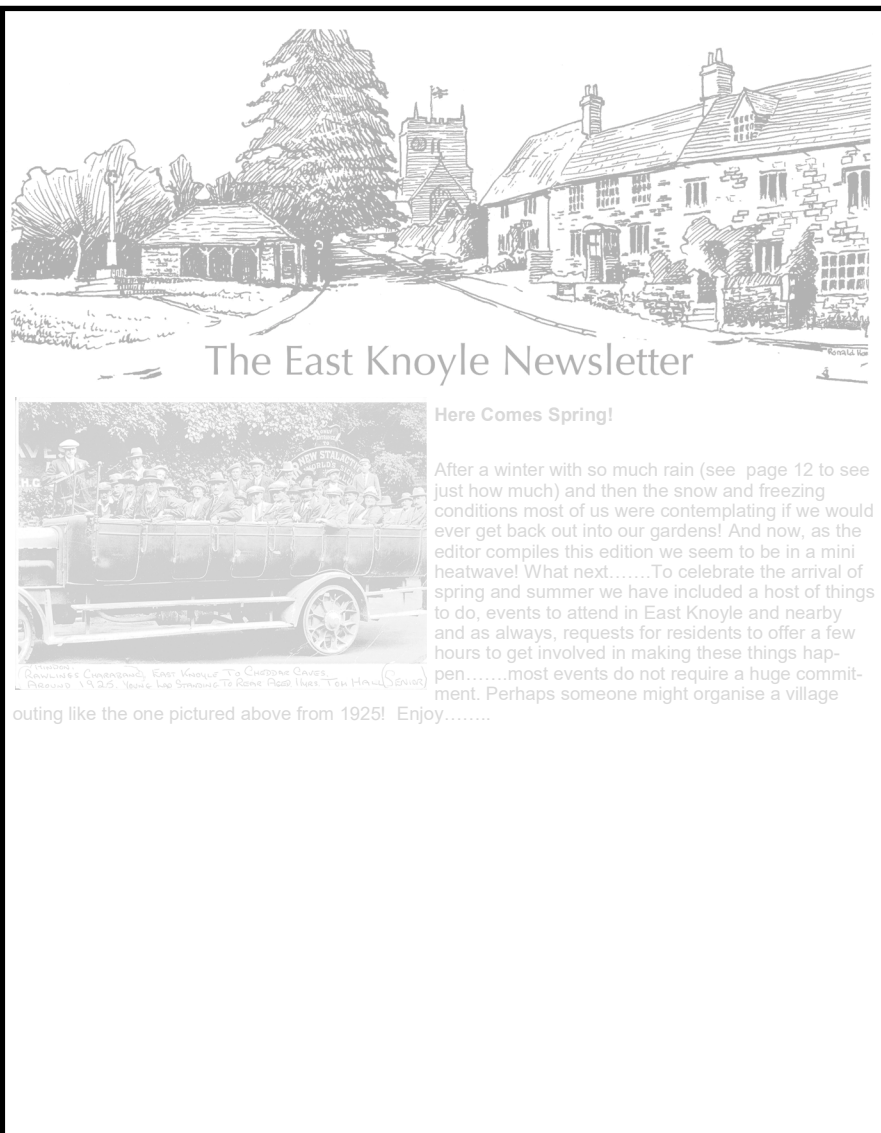
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## Looking ahead.....

This is what the East Knoyle Newsletter will look like in 2019. A fading memory.....

Despite a number of requests to you all we still have not had an editor (or an editorial team) come forward to take over from the retiring editor. In fact, only one person has even enquired as to what the role might entail....

Which means that unless we get someone in place by the end of October this year, then the November/December edition will be the last.

Might it be you? You'll need some spare time, some pc skills would help and lots of enthusiasm! You will have a great existing support team for distribution, plus technical help from Conor and Allan at Gillingham Press. The departing editor will certainly consider covering for a couple of editions in the future.

Contact Martin to find out more.

## Round and About

Jay Westcar has left the Fox and Hounds after working there for 11 years. He is moving onto a new position which will be closer to home. We wish him and his partner all the best for the future - he will be missed!

Jay (on the left) with a few of the regulars on his last evening at the the Fox and Hounds.



## Happy 1st birthday Elliott!



Elliott Batchelor, born 19th June 2017.

Lots of happy memories have been made in your first year...

You've seen snow, learnt to crawl and even have a tooth!

Hope you have a lovely day, and enjoy your party.  
lots of love, Mummy & Daddy xx



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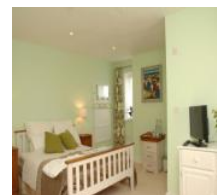
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## What's On? Forthcoming Events in and around East Knoyle



**Tuesdays 9-11am**  
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AND PRESCHOOLERS**  
from TUESDAY 20th FEBRUARY in term time

LOTS OF FUN FOR THE LITTLE ONES,  
A FRIENDLY CHAT AND REFRESHMENTS.

The group is free but a small donation to cover refreshments is welcomed.

This is a brand new group run by  
The Friends of Hindon School.

### Public Information Service - The Garden Bonfire

At this busy time of year for gardening, here are some helpful hints for those who like a 'good' bonfire.

1. Check the weather. Wait for a really warm/sunny day - especially after a cold/wet period
2. Check the wind direction! Ensure the wind will blow smoke away from your house. You don't want all that smoke annoying you!
3. Ensure that you have as much fresh, green, damp vegetation to 'burn' as possible. This will ensure that your bonfire will smoke beautifully, creating a wonderful effect that you can enjoy upwind, and that your neighbours downwind will get full benefit from!
4. Talking of neighbours....always good to check that they have their washing out and a few windows open as well. (even better if you know they are out!)
5. **Seriously - don't do any of the above!** Think of your neighbours and the neighbourhood before you put that match to your garden rubbish.
6. Is there a better way of getting rid of your garden rubbish?



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**FAMILY  
FUN DAY**  
**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2018**  
**11:00am - 4:30pm**

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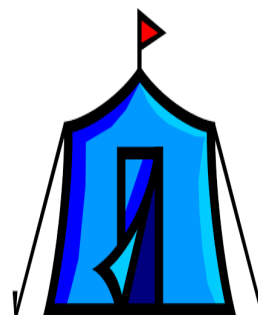


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If you can please email:

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or

[johnlesleywebb@john-lewis.com](mailto:johnlesleywebb@john-lewis.com)

**Hatch House Open Garden  
Sunday June 3<sup>rd</sup> 2018  
In aid of Salisbury Hospice Charity**



Idyllic Hatch House in the heart of the Wiltshire countryside, by the kind permission of Sir Henry and Lady Rumbold, will hold its annual Open Garden on Sunday June 3<sup>rd</sup>. This is a great event for all the family and a chance to see the 17<sup>th</sup> Century walled Dutch garden with amazing views over the Vale of Wardour, enjoy teas with family and friends and browse a wide variety of stalls. There are second-hand books, jewellery, bric-a-brac and Lady Rumbold & Mrs Vernon's famous clothes stall packed with amazing finds, a magnet for bargain hunters. All proceeds will again go to the Salisbury Hospice Charity. Over the years this event has raised thousands of pounds to help the charity continue its valuable work - <http://www.salisburyhospicecharity.org.uk/>

The Open Garden is also a perfect opportunity to see Hatch with the garden looking its best and it's a fantastic afternoon for the whole family.

Admission per person:

Adults - £5

Children - £1

Opening Times: 2-5pm

[www.hatch-house.co.uk](http://www.hatch-house.co.uk)

**Windmill Open Day  
Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May  
11am - 4pm**

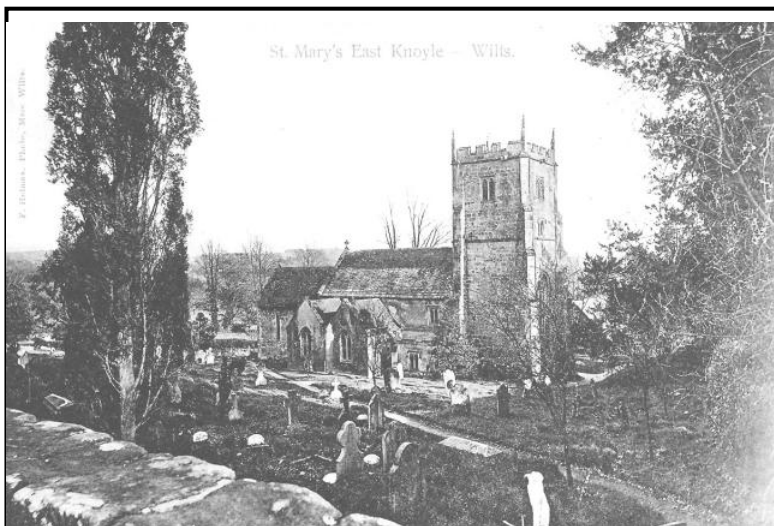
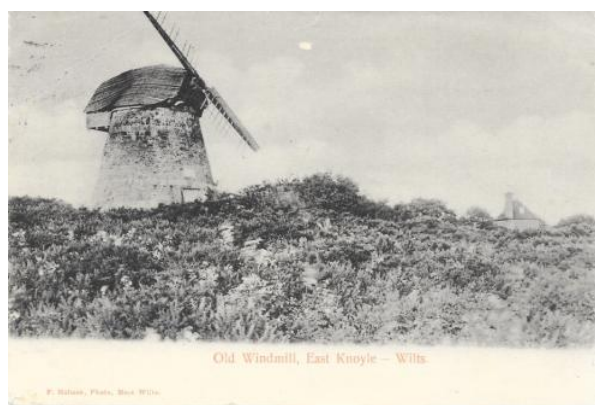


We are opening the Windmill on The Green as part of National Mills Weekend 2018 and would welcome any interested local people who would like to come and have a look inside and enjoy the views. Refreshments will be available

We are always interested to learn more about the Windmill's past if you have any information or stories.

Julia & Rob

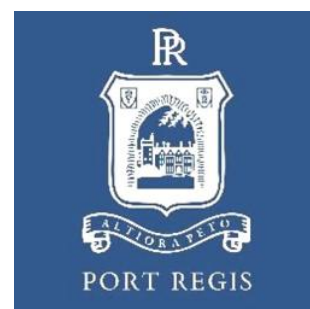
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**St Mary's Church, 20<sup>th</sup> May at 5pm**

The Port Regis School Choir (**Schola Cantorum**) will be participating in the early Evensong at St Mary's Church, East Knoyle.

This promises to be a lovely service and we would like to invite you all to come along and join us for this special event and to hear these brilliant young voices.



## What's On? Forthcoming Events in and around East Knoyle

Check out the Village Diary on the new website -

<http://east-knoyle.co.uk/news-and-events/village-diary/>



### T@3

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**Future dates - 10th May; 14th June**



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**Future dates - 22nd May; 26th June**



### St. Mary's Games Evening

7.30 to 9.30 pm

Billiard Room, Village Hall

Bring your own refreshments, no admission fee, but a box for donations is available if you wish. We have a pool table, darts, chess, cards etc. Everyone welcome! For more information, call Alan on 830471

**Future dates - May 29th; 26th June**

## HIDDEN GARDENS OF TISBURY

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2018

1pm – 5pm



Wander around the gardens of Tisbury, ranging from larger historic gardens to small backyards. One of the most exciting this year is the recently landscaped award winning garden, Gold Hill. The afternoon will feature 'Art in the Garden' where artists and would be artists are being invited to choose a garden to pitch their easels and be inspired. Refreshments, books and plants will also be on offer. So whether your interests are contemporary architecture, arts and crafts, landscape or you are looking for some horticultural inspiration, Tisbury looks forward to welcoming you.

£5 for entry into all gardens. Proceeds from the Hidden Gardens are in aid of St John's Church, Tisbury  
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