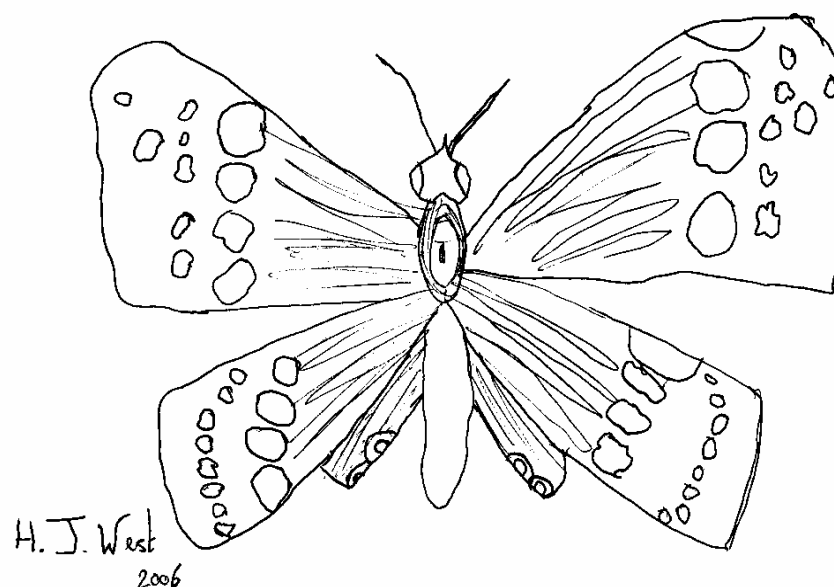


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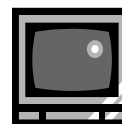
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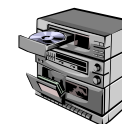
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## EDITORIAL

Talk about “Flaming June”, “Flipping” was the word used by some; so how do we describe July, politely? Fortunately, as I write, the heavens have opened and already the grass is greener, and seemingly several inches taller. With so many weather “experts” in the various elements of the media, together with seaweed watchers and those with aches in their bones (believe me, I know), we ought to know what is due in August – but do we?

Whatever we may say about the heat, 1<sup>st</sup> July was a magnificent day for Poulshot. In the afternoon there was the Fete; after some years held on the western side of the Green, this year it was located on the “short” side, outside the Village Hall, with only those activities needing space, such as archery, golf and sports, across the road. Being a day when we might have expected a tiny turn-out – we understood there was something going on in Germany, and some vicarage ball game in SW15, to say nothing of a close competitor fete in Bulkington – the day was very well attended, provided a lot of enjoyment and fun for all and raised a respectable total of around £750 for much-needed church funds. We were lucky to have the attendance of Wadworth’s magnificent dray and lovely shire horses, with their immaculate grooms, as well as the extra attraction of a visit by a Dakota, a Hurricane and a Spitfire of the Royal Air Force’s Battle of Britain Memorial Flight. The Dakota came over first and made two low passes over the Green and half an hour later the two fighters put on an exciting display of three passes across us, at what seemed a generously low level, reminding many of the glorious noise made by their Rolls Royce Merlin engines. It was a privilege to have their visit, even if one resident confused the Dakota (slow, twin-engined) with the Hurricane (fast and single-engined), but it was probably caused by the misty eyes that often come with treasured memories! From us all, we thank all those who made the event so successful.

Then there was the washing up, packing away, clearing up and away – but only to the Green Gardens for the Poulshot Proms, an evening event to celebrate the twentieth year of the Poulshot Ladies Club. And what a celebration it was – vividly described by **Nina Jefferies** on page 8. We can add nothing to Nina’s report, except perhaps, “What’s on next year?”

The next magazine will appear at the end of September – have great holidays and don’t forget to tell us all about them.

**John Quinn**

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### August

Wed 2 Black Box/Green Wheelie Bin Collections  
 Mon 7 Mobile Library, The Raven Car Park, 1125—1135am  
 Mon 7—Fri 11 Multi-Activity Days, Apeldorn, Poulshot (*see page 5*)  
 Wed 9 Black Wheelie Bin Collection  
 Wed 16 Black Box/Green Wheelie Bin Collections  
 Mon 21 Mobile Library, The Raven Car Park, 1125—1135am  
 Mon 21—Fri 25 Multi-Activity Days, Apeldorn, Poulshot (*see page 5*)  
 Mon 21 Wiltshire Numismatic Society, Village Hall, 8pm—  
 Little and Large  
 Wed 23 Black Wheelie Bin Collection

### September

Sun 3 Village Picnic, Green Gardens, 1pm (*see page 12*)  
 Mon 4 Mobile Library, The Raven Car Park, 1125—1135am  
 Tue 5 Parish Council, Village Hall, 6.30pm  
 Tue 5 Poulshot Nurseries Open Evening, 6pm onwards  
 Wed 6 Black Wheelie Bin Collection  
 Wed 6 Ladies Club—Visit to Swindon Greyhounds, 6.30pm  
 (*see page 7*)  
 Fri 9 Open Day - the new Rowde Primary School, 9am—5pm  
 Sun 10 Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament, Poulshot (*see page 22*)  
 Wed 13 Black Box/Green Wheelie Bin Collections  
 Mon 18 Mobile Library, The Raven Car Park, 1125—1135am  
 Mon 18 Wiltshire Numismatic Society, Village Hall, 8pm—Annual  
 Coin Auction  
 Tue 19 Poulshot Village Trust, Village Hall, 7.30pm  
 Wed 20 Black Wheelie Bin Collection  
 Wed 20 Wednesday Group, Village Hall, 7.30pm—Is War Inevitable?  
 Wed 27 Black Box/Green Wheelie Bin Collections  
 Sat 30 Harvest Supper and Barn Dance, Old Rectory Hall, 7.00pm

### October

Sun 1 Harvest Evensong, St Peter's Church, 6.00pm  
 Mon 2 Mobile Library, The Raven Car Park, 1125—1135am  
 Wed 4 Black Wheelie Bin Collection  
 Wed 11 Black Box/Green Wheelie Bin Collections  
 Mon 16 Mobile Library, The Raven Car Park, 1125—1135am  
 Wed 18 Black Wheelie Bin Collection

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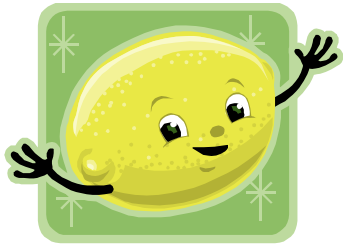
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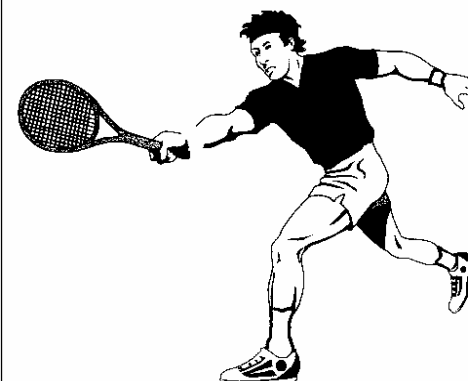
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### POULSHOT PARISH COUNCIL

4<sup>th</sup> July 2006

The meeting was attended by all Council members, less **Mr Collett**, and **Mr Hunloke** from whom an apology was received. Also in attendance was **Inspector Evely** of Wiltshire Police, together with five members of the public.

**Public Meeting.** The following points were raised:

Comments were made on the fouling of the Green by dogs and a separate note is on page 9. The possibility of installing notices and collection bins is being investigated. It was stressed that the control of dogs was a matter for owners, including stopping them chasing cars.

Additional, parallel, post holes for the goal posts are available for use when required to hold the posts more securely and to help prevent wear to the grass in front of the goals areas.

The Chairman introduced **Inspector Evely**. She is newly arrived and explained her position as the Devizes Area Inspector. Our beat officer **PC Anne Deuchars** has moved to the Control Room at Police HQ in Devizes and she was thanked for her support in the village. As a temporary measure there would be three beat officers to cover our area, which of course includes a number of other villages. By April 2007 there will be a Beat Manager, supported by a number of dedicated Community Support Officers, whose job will be to get to know villages intimately, to visit parishioners and identify their concerns. Action will then be taken to address these perceived problems. These officers will stay in post for at least two years to give a measure of continuity and will be able to attend all parish meetings. This new approach to rural policing will enable officers to deal with minor day-to-day issues without affecting response times to emergencies. There will also be regular contacts with the village Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator, enabling her to circulate details of possible problems. Asked about speeding, she invited members of the village who saw speeding vehicles to note the registered numbers and pass them to the Parish Clerk who will pass them onto the

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Police for action. Inspector Evelyn noted local concern at the accident black spot at the junction with the Worton/Seend road and agreed to look into the situation.

### **Council Meeting.**

Rubbish. The growth in fly tipping, particularly grass cuttings, was discussed and it was felt that Kennet's new system of waste collection might exacerbate this. The problem will be monitored. It was reported that the potential furore over the collection of rubbish from wheeled bins from homes on the Green had been resolved amicably, thanks largely to the conciliatory work of **Mrs Aldridge**.

The Green. Action will be taken to repair the damaged drain pipe in the pond on the Green, to dam up the overflow and to cut the grass. It was also agreed that the football pitch would be rolled in the winter, in an attempt to flatten it.

Use of the Green. A statement was made by the Parish Clerk about the use of the Green, the pride of the village and a facility for all. He felt that the maintenance of stocks of hard core, used to repair the tracks across the grass, the dumping of grass cuttings, only partly a by-product of Volley Ball evenings, and the use of large stones to discourage visiting vehicles from driving on and damaging the grass, detracted from the use of the Green by all. The Chairman, **Mr Michael Hues**, felt that this was not a matter for a heavy-handed approach and agreed to discuss the problems with those concerned.

**Next Meeting.** 6.30pm on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September, in the Village Hall.

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## POULSHOT PROMS IN THE GREEN GARDENS 1<sup>st</sup> July 2006

I remember 'Proms in the Green Gardens' at the beginning of July as a series of pictures - **Jayne** on her bike with a salad in the front pannier and a shepherd's crook lantern tucked in the back - **Liz's** splendid picnic table replete with feast and candelabra - couples dancing to jazz in the dusk - several ladies of the village 'flying' only slightly less elegantly to the strains of the theme from *the Dambusters* - and people talking and singing in the dusk and on into the dark. It may not have been Glastonbury or Glyndebourne, but a jolly good time was had by all.

The evening was officially to mark twenty years of the Poulshot Ladies Club, but was also a wonderful opportunity for the village to celebrate the Green Gardens and indeed just have a nice time together. Music was courtesy of **Steve Housby** - thank you! - and we arrived with our picnic tables and blankets and picnics to some gentle jazz; the provision of picnic arrangements varied but I did feel that Liz's fabulous spread, beautifully finished with candelabra, set the standard. But whether you were sitting pretty at the table or lounging on a blanket on the ground, the setting was spectacular - the grass circle among the increasingly established trees makes a fine natural auditorium, and it was impossible not to relax under the very blue sky with the occasional clouds specially painted on to enhance the effect. And then there was the dancing; it kicked off with couples tripping lightly and elegantly, but the memory that will last is of the perhaps less sophisticated but undoubtedly enthusiastic (and spontaneous) ladies club performance to the theme from *the Dambusters* - the children present could only look in amazement as their mothers and grandmothers took to the air with evident glee and circled, swooped and even dive-bombed around the green. Memories of the Second World War were more sombrelly, but stirringly, revived by **John Quinn's** recital of Churchill's speech to the country on the day following the evacuation from Dunkirk. The performances were topped off with a communal sing-song; our contributions were somewhat mixed but definitely joyful as we navigated our way through Rule Britannia and Jerusalem, naturally finishing with 'God Save The Queen'.

And so Jayne set off to bicycle home slightly less steadily than she had arrived, the chairs and blankets were folded away and the last candles were

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blown out. In its earlier incarnation as allotments this same space was also the focal point of village get-togethers, though ones rooted more fundamentally in the planting patterns and rituals of the seasons than our more social gathering. It was a tradition for all the village to be here on Good Friday, as that was the best day to plant potatoes and everyone came along to help. The allotments live on and indeed thrive in a corner of the Gardens, and it's nice to think that they are continued even as we make new traditions and new ways of using the space. My neighbour Kevin told me he walks his dog there and lies in the middle and looks at the sky; I walk there on early mornings and find calm in the trees and the birdsong that carries me through the day; children race around the perimeter and climb the older trees in the field corner. So dancing and singing and Proms in the Green Gardens are just something more to do there, a new tradition. As someone said into the darkness at the end of the evening "See you next year"!

**Nina Jeffries**

### **DOG FOULING**

At the last Parish Council meeting the issue of Dog fouling was raised. It was reported that some dog owners allow their dogs to use the Village Green as a toilet, failing to clear up afterwards. This must be discouraged as children use the area for play and dog mess is a potentially serious health hazard. It was also reported that some owners who clear up after their animals, using plastic bags, then throw the bags into the hedge, particularly in Hay Lane. This is both unpleasant and anti-social.

**Mike Wilson**

## **PHOTOGRAPHS**

Could I please put out a general request for ANY photographs for the Poulshot Web Site of the village, or parishioners (young or old) . I am particularly looking for photographs of the fete.

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The meeting was well attended and the quiz enjoyed by members, and the raffle raised £13.00 for club funds.

**Michael Bowden**

## **THE WEDNESDAY GROUP**

### **Should the Church of England appoint Women Bishops?**

An interesting discussion took place on July 19<sup>th</sup> on the possible appointment of women as Bishops in the Church.

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**Sacha** reminded us that earlier in July, the General Synod of the Church (the Church's Parliament) had voted with a two-thirds majority on the fact that there was no theological bar to women becoming Bishops. This implied that any opposition was based therefore on cultural and/or social reasons.

It is a fact that any priest taking up an appointment in a diocese has to promise allegiance to the Bishop when his license is granted. It is not everyone who wishes to work for a woman boss!! So this simple fact could bring more divisions in the Church.

The Anglican Church is a member of the world wide Christian Church; some members of that World Wide Church would definitely not appoint women Bishops – they do not allow women priests. So would women Bishops in the Church of England bring divisions in the wider Church?

Logically it seems that if the Church of England allows women to become priests, which it does, then in time it is inevitable that there will be women worthy and eminently capable of being a Bishop.

In all other walks of life women have reached the top of their profession – politics; the law; education; the armed forces and so on, so why not in the Church? Perhaps in the not too distant future there will be a female Archbishop of Canterbury.

At the end of a lively and wide ranging discussion the majority of the meeting had no objection to the appointment of women as Bishops in due course.

The next Wednesday Group Meeting is on 20<sup>th</sup> September, 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall, when the topic for discussion will be: 'Is War Inevitable?'.

## POULSHOT NURSERIES OPEN EVENING

The Nurseries will be open to Poulshot residents and their families from  
**6.00pm on Tuesday 5th September**



## GREEN GARDENS WOODLAND VILLAGE PICNIC

**SUNDAY 3 SEPTEMBER at 1.00PM**

**BRING YOUR OWN PICNIC  
FOR A BIG VILLAGE GET-TOGETHER**

## HARVEST SUPPER AND BARN DANCE



**Saturday, 30th September at 7.00pm**

**DANCING** in the OLD RECTORY HALL

Led by **FIVE BAR GATE**

**PLOUGHMAN'S SUPPER**

in the VILLAGE HALL

**Tickets: £7.50**

Available from PCC members.

Numbers are limited so please get your tickets early.

*HERE ARE SOME RULING TITLES FROM AROUND THE WORLD:*

*EMIR - NATIVE RULER IN PARTS OF ASIA AND AFRICA*

*EMPRESS/EMPEROR - HEAD OF AN EMPIRE*

*PHARAOH - RULER OF ANCIENT EGYPT*

*RANI - INDIAN RULER*

*SHAH - SOVEREIGN OF IRAN*

*SULTAN/SULTANA - MUSLIM SOVEREIGN*

*TSAR/TSARINA - RULER OF RUSSIA UNTIL 1917*

**STRANGE...BUT TRUE**

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THE PEKINESE DOG WAS SO SACRED TO CHINESE ROYALTY  
THAT SOME EVEN HAD PRIVATE PALACES, WITH SERVANTS.

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THE FAVOURITE PASTIME OF EMPEROR FERDINAND OF  
AUSTRIA WAS TO WEDGE HIMSELF IN A WASTEPAPER  
BASKET AND ROLL AROUND LIKE A BALL.

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QUEEN CHRISTINA OF SWEDEN WAS TERRIFIED OF FLEAS.  
SHE ORDERED A TINY CANON TO BE MADE, SO THAT SHE  
COULD FIRE MINIATURE CANON BALLS AT THE FLEAS THAT  
INFESTED HER BEDCHAMBER.

*Q: HOW DO YOU FIND KING ARTHUR IN THE DARK?*

*A: WITH A KNIGHT LIGHT!*

*Q: WHY DID THE PRINCESS GO TO THE ART GALLERY?*

*A: TO SEE IF SHE COULD FIND HER PRINTS CHARMING!*

*Q: WHY DID THE KING GO TO THE DENTIST?*

*A: TO HAVE HIS TEETH CROWNED!*

*Q: WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THE QUEEN BURPS?*

*A: SHE GETS A ROYAL PARDON!*

*Q: WHY IS THE QUEEN'S PALACE FLOODED?*

*A: BECAUSE SHE'S REIGNED FOR SO MANY YEARS!*



A ROYAL FLAVOUR TO THE PAGE THIS MONTH TO MARK THE  
QUEEN'S 80<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY.

THIS IS A USEFUL RHYME TO HELP YOU REMEMBER THE  
KINGS AND QUEENS OF ENGLAND UP TO QUEEN VICTORIA:

*WILLIE, WILLIE, HARRY, STEE,  
HARRY, DICK, JOHN, HARRY 3,  
TED 1, 2, 3, RICHARD 2,  
HENRY 4, 5, 6,  
THEN WHO?*

*EDWARD 4, 5, DICK THE BAD,  
HARRYS TWAIN  
AND NED THE LAD.  
MARY, LIZZIE, JAMES THE VAIN,  
CHARLIE, CHARLIE, JAMES AGAIN.  
WILLIAM AND MARY,  
ANNA GLORIA,  
4 GEORGES, WILLIAM AND VICTORIA.*

Since Queen Victoria died in 1901, there have been 5  
monarchs, Edward 7<sup>th</sup> (1901 – 1910), George 5<sup>th</sup> (1910 –  
1936), Edward 8<sup>th</sup> (abdicated after 325 days), George 6<sup>th</sup>  
(1936 – 1952) and Elizabeth 2<sup>nd</sup> (1952 - ?)  
Between Charles 1<sup>st</sup> and Charles 2<sup>nd</sup> there was an 11 year  
period of commonwealth (1649 – 1660).

QUEEN VICTORIA HAS BEEN THE LONGEST RULING  
MONARCH, MANAGING 63 YEARS ON THE THRONE OF  
ENGLAND (1837 – 1901)

## From Where I Stand...

...the early part of this summer has been extremely busy, but also a privilege with a significant number of both weddings and funerals. You may think it rather strange to consider such different events in the same sentence, but from where I stand...

Both occasions are times of change for all involved, time for celebration of life, time to look back over the past, as well as time for reflection on what the future may hold. Before being ordained I never really enjoyed weddings, but I now find it an honour to spend time with the soon-to-be-married couple and to support them through a life changing experience. I remind them that while we take time to prepare for the wedding, it is a lifetime's work to sort out the marriage!

Similarly, I too experienced the transforming nature of bereavement when my mother died several years ago. Her funeral was the first that I led, and now I find that it is not only my clergy training and experience, but my own personal encounter with loss that helps me 'be alongside' those who are arranging the funeral of a loved one. From where I stand then, both kinds of life experience have something to say to us all. They are a crossroads, a point of change, a new direction, the change from one kind of living to the next.

In commitment for life to someone you love there is both hope and trust, the building of a relationship that is two-way, that can understand love to mean wanting the other person to grow to be all that he/she can become, and not to change him or her, but to celebrate the person you love as a whole being. Dealing with the loss of one we love through death also involves hope and trust, the willingness to let go, to let God make him or her complete in life forever with Him, for them to know not only love that celebrates all that he or she had been in this earthly life, but also to live in God's love forever. It is to celebrate the whole of their being that we have known in life, both the good times and the bad, and to let them go, certain that we are, with God, united forever with those we truly love.

Both these great life 'crossroads' are times of change along the journey of our lives.

As we ease through summer and into autumn so our lives follow that same pattern, that sense of journey, the change of scenery, events, encounters, experiences. It takes courage, patience and time, to be able to see rather less

dramatic, but no less valuable occasions when we may notice even small changes in our own lives and learn from them.

Perhaps many of us could find time to pause like this for a ‘stand and stare’ moment, to allow one experience to lead us to other reflections and realisations. In that place of pausing and reflecting we can journey a long way and may begin to sense the presence of God and so be led to see Him more clearly and find ways of knowing Him more deeply.

**Revd Sacha Pearce, Rector**

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Saturday September 30<sup>th</sup>** is the date of the **Harvest Supper and Barn Dance**. Dancing will be led by the group “Five Bar Gate” (some of you may remember them from last year) and will take place in the Hunloke’s Hall, with a Ploughman’s Supper being served in the Village Hall. Tickets (£7.50) will be available soon from members of the PCC. As numbers will be limited please get your tickets early.

The next PCC meeting is scheduled for **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September**. An Agenda for this meeting will be put up on the Church Porch Notice Board the first Sunday in September. If anyone would like to comment on any item to be discussed, or to suggest items for discussion in the future, please have a word with either a member of the PCC, the Churchwarden or The Rector.

### **CHURCH SERVICES - AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2006 POULSHOT, SEEND AND BULKINGTON**

#### **6<sup>th</sup> August**

8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	SEEND
9.30am	Family Eucharist	BULKINGTON
11.15am	Parish Eucharist	SEEND
<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Evensong</b>	<b>POULSHOT</b>

#### **13<sup>th</sup> August**

8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	SEEND
<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Matins</b>	<b>POULSHOT</b>
11.15am	Parish Eucharist	SEEND
6.00pm	Evensong	BULKINGTON

opportunity to come and have a good look at our lovely new building and see the wonderful art work the children produced!

May we wish everybody a relaxing and enjoyable Summer break and see you at the new School on 11<sup>th</sup> September!!

**Rachel Hues**



### **POOH - STICK BRIDGE**

The damaged and worn metal rails, which formed the balustrade across the bridge of the stream near the Parish Boundary in Hay Lane, have been replaced with a very smart railing.

It is worth the walk to go and see what an amazing feature we can now show off in Poulshot, and play a game of Pooh- sticks where the two small streams unite under the bridge and then flow as one.

### **VILLAGE PICNIC Sunday 3 September at 1.00pm**

It may seem a long way off but it will be here very quickly. Make sure you keep Sunday 3rd September free as that is the day for the Village lunchtime picnic to be held in the Green Gardens. This is proving to be a very successful village event, so make sure you don't miss it. Bring your picnic and enjoy a friendly gathering in the peace and serenity of the Green Gardens.

### **THANK YOU**

We would like to thank everyone who supported the Lackham Vintage Society Vintage Gathering, held on Poulshot Village Green on the evening of Wednesday 21st June 2006.

Thank you to all of the people who kindly donated raffle prizes, the Village Hall Committee for the use of the Village Hall and the Poulshot Parish Council for allowing us to use the Village Green for this event.

A total of £503.41p was raised and has been donated to the Wiltshire Air Ambulance. Thank you once again.

**Keith and Pauline Day**

had already given so much at the Ball. There were all the usual: tombola, cake stall, raffle, books and BBQ. There was a football tournament to keep the children busy. We did however raise £670 which of course will go to the new school fund! Donations for the new school fund still keep coming in, this time from Devizes Ladies Circle a cheque for £250 for which we are extremely grateful.

The last two days of term will be rounded off with the end of term service at St Matthews church where letters of commendation and awards will be presented. On the final day all the children will go on a day trip, some to Chessington World of Adventure, some to The Cotswold Wildlife Park and some on a Barge trip.

At 11am on Tuesday 22nd August, a human chain will link the old school with the new one. This is to highlight the fact that Wiltshire County Council considers the new school is a replacement for the old and not a new one, and therefore will not fund the move!

And finally, a reminder about the new school. Don't forget the Open Day on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September from 9am to 5pm. All are welcome, please do take this

# The Wednesday Group

## Is War Inevitable ?

Wednesday 20th September 2006

7.30pm

Village Hall, Poulshot

All are very welcome

For further details, please ring Rupert Janes on 828639 or  
Rev Sacha Pearce 828615

Do please get in touch if there is a subject YOU WOULD REALLY LIKE  
TO BE DISCUSSED. All offers willingly considered!

<b><u>20<sup>th</sup> August</u></b>		
8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	SEEND
9.30am	Parish Eucharist	BULKINGTON
11.15am	Parish Eucharist	SEEND
6.00pm	<b>BCP Holy Communion</b>	<b>POULSHOT</b>
<b><u>27<sup>th</sup> August</u></b>		
8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	SEEND
9.30am	<b>Family Eucharist</b>	<b>POULSHOT</b>
11.15am	Family Eucharist	SEEND
6.00pm	Evensong	BULKINGTON
<b><u>3<sup>rd</sup> September</u></b>		
8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	SEEND
9.30am	Family Eucharist	BULKINGTON
11.15am	Parish Eucharist	SEEND
6.00pm	<b>Evensong</b>	<b>POULSHOT</b>
<b><u>10<sup>th</sup> September</u></b>		
8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	SEEND
9.30am	<b>Matins</b>	<b>POULSHOT</b>
11.15am	Parish Eucharist	SEEND
6.00pm	Evensong	BULKINGTON
<b><u>17<sup>th</sup> September</u></b>		
8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	SEEND
9.30am	Parish Eucharist	BULKINGTON
11.15am	Parish Eucharist	SEEND
6.00pm	<b>BCP Holy Communion</b>	<b>POULSHOT</b>
<b><u>24<sup>th</sup> September</u></b>		
8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	SEEND
9.30am	<b>Family Eucharist</b>	<b>POULSHOT</b>
11.15am	Family Eucharist	SEEND
6.00pm	Evensong	BULKINGTON
<b><u>1<sup>st</sup> October – HARVEST FESTIVAL</u></b>		
8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	SEEND
9.30am	Family Eucharist	BULKINGTON
11.15am	Parish Eucharist	SEEND
6.00pm	<b>Evensong</b>	<b>POULSHOT</b>

## WEEKDAY SERVICES

Mondays	9.00am	Matins	SEEND
<b>Tuesdays</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>Matins</b>	<b>POULSHOT</b>
Thursdays	9.00am	Matins	BULKINGTON

## CHURCH ROSTERS

<u>August</u>		<u>Reader</u>	<u>Sidesman</u>
6 Aug	6.00pm	<b>Mr R Janes</b>	<b>Mr N Hunloke</b>
13 Aug	9.30am	<b>Mr/Mrs D Hargreaves</b>	<b>Mrs J James</b>
20 Aug	6.00pm	<b>Mrs J James</b>	<b>Mrs J James</b>
27 Aug	9.30am	<b>The Rector</b>	<b>Mr M Houghton</b>
<u>September</u>			
3 Sep	6.00pm	<b>Mrs J James</b>	<b>Mr M Hues</b>
10 Sep	9.30am	<b>Mrs Y Baber</b>	<b>Mr N Hunloke</b>
17 Sep	6.00pm	<b>Mr/Mrs D Bullen</b>	<b>Mr D Bullen</b>
24 Sep	9.30am	<b>The Rector</b>	<b>Mrs J James</b>
<u>October</u>			
1 Oct	6.00pm	<b>Lady K Hunloke</b>	<b>Mr J Quinn</b>

## CHURCH FLOWERS

<u>August</u>	
6 & 13 Aug	<b>Mrs Christabel Francis</b>
20 & 27 Aug	<b>Mrs Ann Butts</b>
<u>September</u>	
3 & 10 Sep	<b>Mrs Hazel Coleman</b>
17 & 24 Sep	<b>Mrs Emma Janes</b>

<u>October</u>	
1 Oct	<b>HARVEST FESTIVAL—ALL HELPERS please</b>

## Rowde School News

As another academic year draws to a close, the children have all learnt a lot, grown a lot, and had a lot of fun. The Year 6 children really excelled themselves yet again in this years SATs, only two children failing to get L4 (average 11 year old standard), while 54% of got L5 in English and Maths and 62% got L5 in Science – Level 5 is the level expected of the average 14 year old!!

Here are just some of the activities that have rounded off another successful year at Rowde Primary School.

The children all took part in an ‘Artists in Residence week’. Two artists joined us to produce 8 large panels and 2 sculptures which will be displayed at the new school. The end results were amazing and all the children (and some parents and villagers) played a part in producing some real masterpieces. It will be a great start to decorate those plain walls!

Mid-summertime saw the 13<sup>th</sup> annual Rowde School music concert. Children as young as 6 played in the concert, some of whom had only been playing for a matter of weeks. There was an amazing variety of instruments played, ranging from beginner Recorder and Violins to experienced Clarinet and Piano players, not to mention Keyboard, Guitar and Flute. All in all a very enjoyable and well attended concert. Well done to all who participated.

On 24<sup>th</sup> June **Joe Dyke** and his family ran a laser clay pigeon shoot on Poulshot Green. Thank you to all who supported this and ‘had a go’. It wasn’t as easy as it looked! A fantastic £250 was raised for the new school fund. Many thanks to the Dyke family for giving up their Saturday afternoon.

The Summer Fayre this year was not intended to be a major fundraiser, but more of a social occasion with some fund raising as we felt so many people



## REFUSE RECYCLING COMPOSTING

**BLACK WHEELIE BIN**  
Or **ORANGE SACKS**

9 August  
23 August  
6 September  
20 September  
4 October

**GREEN BIN (Garden Optional)**  
**BLACK RECYCLING BOX**

2 August  
16 August  
30 August  
13 September  
27 September  
11 October