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Take care,

Courier Team

COLLINGBOURNE DUCIS PARISH COUNCIL

Peter Knowlson (01264 850812), Chairman, writes:

Firstly, I hope that everyone has been keeping safe and well over the last couple of months. I'm sure that many people will be feeling a bit fed up with the lockdown but as we are all too well aware from watching the news, this Covid-19 virus does not discriminate between who it affects, so for now we must continue to apply caution when it comes to venturing out of our homes.



To keep up to date with any official news around the Coronavirus, you can follow these website links:

<http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/public-health-coronavirus>

<https://publichealthmatters.blog.gov.uk/2020/01/23/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-what-you-need-to-know/>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

COLLINGBOURNES CHUTE & EVERLEIGH LINK GOOD NEIGHBOUR SCHEME

Currently, due to the Covid-19 emergency, Link cannot continue its normal service, which often means driving clients to hospitals or doctors' surgeries, opticians or shopping venues. Elsewhere in The Courier there are details of kind volunteers who have offered to collect food/prescriptions, or to help in other ways. Thank you to you all.

The Link Scheme would like to reassure all residents of our villages that we will be operating as normal as soon as this coronavirus has passed.

Later, we would welcome help from any of these wonderful volunteers who have stepped forward to help their neighbours through this difficult period by keeping an eye on vulnerable neighbours, collecting shopping or prescriptions, and being the best of good citizens. When this is all over, Link will be able to continue offering help to those who need it, and we would welcome any of these generous volunteers who would like to join our Volunteer Team.

In the meantime, we wish all our clients and volunteers good health, safe isolating, and a virus-free summer.

For more information call our Link number 01264-850807 or 01264-850298.

Outdoor Play areas (Pirate Ship & Outdoor Gym)

As you will have seen these areas have been taped off until further notice. These measures have been taken following government advice and whilst it may seem frustrating, I would urge people not to let their children use these areas until we have been advised it is safe to do so.

Zoom – In a first for the Parish Council, the last Parish Council meeting was held remotely using the Zoom platform and most likely will do so for the next couple of meetings whilst we abide by the social distancing rules. The meeting was generally a success without too many drops in the Wi-Fi for the majority of the councillors. Please be aware that the meetings are available for the public to attend, just as they are when we meet in person at the Village Hall. Should you wish to attend the next meeting you can contact the parish clerk for the meeting invite details.

parishclerk@collingbourne-ducis.com

Boy Racers – As quite a few people witnessed a few weeks ago, some people decided that they could use the streets as a race track and also use the school car park and recreation ground car park for some illegal activities. I'm pleased to say these kinds of activities have reduced recently following various reports being given to the Police and the subsequent increased visibility of the Police in our village. The Police have advised the Parish Council before that if people spot any suspicious/illegal activity they are to report it to them by calling 101 if non-emergency. The Police are then able to build up intelligence on the issues and deal with them accordingly.

New Councillor – I'm very pleased to confirm that at the last Parish Council Meeting in May, the councillors accepted the co-option of a new councillor, Mehnaz White. Mehnaz has not long moved to the

village but has already shown a real passion for getting involved in helping us improve our village. From myself and on behalf of the other Cllrs and villagers, welcome to the village and the Parish Council.

Vacancies – If you would like to get involved, I would invite you to either contact myself or the Parish Clerk to find out more details on becoming a Parish Councillor. You do not need any prior experience just the willingness to get involved. Please contact our Parish Clerk for more details, Phil Gill by email: **parishclerk@collingbourne-ducis.com**

The next meeting of the Parish Council is planned to be held via Zoom at 7 pm on Thursday 9th July following the Annual Parish Meeting. All members of the Parish are welcome to attend. Please contact the Parish Clerk for meeting access details should you wish to attend.

THE VIEW FROM EVERLEIGH

Denis Bottomley (01264 852731), Chairman, writes:

The priority in Everleigh has continued to remain concentrated on the Covid-19 situation. Our support plan seems to be working well, dividing the village into six areas each with a co-ordinator and volunteers. Co-ordinators have liaised with residents and have provided appropriate support, particularly for those who may be most vulnerable perhaps due to age and/or medical conditions. In addition, volunteer supporters have been available to help, with shopping, collecting prescriptions or general welfare. There continues to be plenty of advice and information on the current threat in the media, and key Covid-19 information is also posted on the village web site at www.everleigh.org



Everleigh residents are coping well with the situation, with neighbours looking out for each other. Our intent continues to be to offer support to villagers in an unobtrusive way and to be flexible for the inevitable changes to come. Regrettably one such change is to cancel the village summer party which was due to take place on Saturday 11th July at the playground.

There are two events at St Peter's Church planned for the remainder of this year, subject to the Covid-19 situation. Firstly, a Harvest Festival service will take place on Saturday 10th October at 3 pm. Then, a Christmas Carol Service is scheduled for Saturday 5th December at 5 pm and will be followed by mulled wine and mince pies.

Wilts Council Household Recycle Centres (HRCs), less Stanton St Quentin, reopened on Monday 18th May, with access controlled by postcode in order to limit numbers on site to enable social distancing. Details are at <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/household-recycling-centres>. SN8 Everleigh residents may visit any HRC site in Wiltshire on the following dates: Tuesday 2nd June; Thursday 4th June; Saturday 6th June; Monday 8th June; Wednesday 10th June; Friday 12th June; Sunday 14th June. Opening times for each HRC vary; our local HRCs are open as follows:

Amesbury: Monday – Friday 3.30 pm – 7.30 pm;

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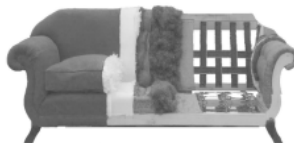
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All three of these HRCs are open on Saturday and Sunday 9.30 am – 4.30 pm. Residents may be asked for proof of address, e.g. driving licence, council tax bill.

A perennial issue is illegal dumping of rubbish. These eyesores are really irritating and demonstrate a lack of respect for our scenic environment. During the first three weeks of April there has been a significant increase in the number of fly-tipping incidents in Wiltshire with sixty three extra incidents, a 30% rise when compared with April 2019. More than 50% of the reports received are commercial fly-tips, which indicates that rogue traders are still operating illegally, even during the lockdown. Wiltshire Council is increasing its partnership with Wiltshire Police to conduct roadside checks on people carrying waste in order to disrupt and prosecute fly-tippers. Please report any sightings on Salisbury Plain to 'Plain Watch' (Tel: 01980 674700). Reports can also be submitted to Wilts Council MyWiltsire app.

Finally, the next Parish Council meeting will take place on Monday 22nd June at 7 pm; the location of this meeting is to be confirmed. This meeting may be held remotely, subject to the Covid-19 situation. Everyone is welcome to attend. Instructions for joining this meeting will be available from the Parish Council clerk, Mr Phil Gill, at **philip.gill101@ntworld.com**

The Courier is available online on the Everleigh Village Web Site at www.everleigh.org

OUR LINK COORDINATOR'S NUMBER IS CD 850807

Please try to give them at least 48 hours' notice to find a volunteer

COLLINGBOURNE KINGSTON PARISH COUNCIL

Steve Matanle, Chairman, writes:



As I look from my desk at the view across to St. Mary's Church on another bright and sunny day, I have to think how fortunate I am to live where I do. When I come back to the reality of the lockdown and all the trials and suffering that many people are going through, I am reminded how much more others are having to deal with in the bigger towns and cities than we do here in Collingbourne Kingston. Let us cherish our surroundings but not be complacent about them. Our concern must be for those who are having to deal with the current constraints and privations in circumstances that are much less comfortable than ours.

With the weather continuing to be kind to us and with the greater ability to get out for exercise, many of you will be enjoying the footpaths and byways that surround us. In conjunction with a project led by Wiltshire Council, the Parish Council is spending time walking the footpaths that are available to us, not only to enjoy them but also to make sure that they are set up as they should be to allow for safe access. The Paths for All initiative is very active and it is our intention to communicate with all relevant landowners to ensure that they are aware of their responsibilities regarding the upkeep of the footpaths that cross their properties. We want to make sure that people in CK are able to walk with ease and safety wherever they are entitled to do so.

We will be posting a map on our website of all the footpaths that lie within the village boundaries as soon as we have completed our review.

The Parish Council's End of Year Accounts for 2019/20 will be available for review from 15th June until 14th July. In view of the continuing lockdown and social distancing protocols, it will not be possible to arrange for an onsite review of the documents.

Therefore, please contact the RFO on **rfo@collingbournekingston.org.uk**. to make the necessary arrangements for review and discussion via email or phone.

During our online meeting this week, the Parish Council thought it would be timely to arrange an art competition for all ages in support of the NHS. The subject matter will be anything that you feel can demonstrate your support and appreciation for the work that they are doing for us. There will be three age-defined categories: 1) children up to the age of 11; 2) adolescents up to the age of 21; 3) all others. We have a group of judges lined up chaired by Kim Lydon-Strutt.

All contributions should be emailed to the Clerk at **clerk@collingbournekingston.org.uk**. There will be a prize for each of the winning entries in each category. We hope as many of you as possible will enter.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on the 14th July 2020 at 7.30 pm in the Ruth Fisher Room. We will confirm this date closer to the time given the current circumstances.

SPTA

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www.gov.uk/government/publications/salisbury-plain-training-area-spta-newsletter

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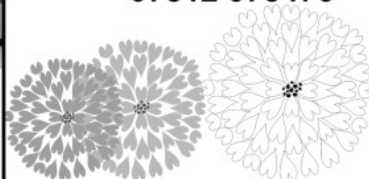
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COVID-19

Lucy Johnson (07498 328121) and Tony Johnson (07824 815366) write:

COVID-19 Contact details for assistance in Collingbourne Ducis/Kingston and surrounding within 5 miles

With many of you worried about how you will be able to get essentials, prescriptions etc if you are self-isolating. Here is a list of contacts willing to help as and where we can.

Name	Number	Area
Lucy Johnson	07498 328121	Ducis
Tony Johnson	07824 815366	Ducis
Philippa Mack	07768 320845	Brunton
Tracy McNicol	07500 338030	Ducis and Villages
Carl & Maria North	07815 818956	Kingston
Sarah Holloway	07912 144533	Ducis
Jayne King	07733 413397	Collingbournes and Villages
Jo Reid	07904 268220	Collingbournes and Everleigh
Lorraine Clements	07793 357542	Ducis and Sunton
Mark Arnold	07496 785483	Ducis
Laura Jackson	07792 825507	Collingbourne and Villages
Philip Palmer	07734 922751	Collingbourne and Villages
David Puttock	01264 850715	Ducis
Zena Bewick	07748 414177	Collingbournes
Gail Minoudis	07531 262334	Ducis
Pip Watkins	07946 098612	Ducis

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The recently refurbished Shears Inn on Cadley Road, Collingbourne Ducis is open for takeaway business during the lockdown period. Wednesday to Sunday the pub is offering a variety of dishes, all homemade, to help get local diners their classic cuisine fix whilst eating out is off limits.

Fish & chips, burgers and pie of the week are all proving to be popular, with home made traditional roasts available on Sunday alongside the usual menu. Only the finest ingredients are used for dishes, sourced locally where possible, with meats coming from Gardner's family butcher in Ludgershall. They will also be offering a selection of weekly specials, including a mixed DIY BBQ Box for those sunny evenings in the garden. In addition the Chef is able to prepare specially requested catered meals for larger family groups and special occasions.

A selection of wines, cold beers, lagers and soft drinks are also available.

To discover the menu head to Facebook and visit Shearsinn.co.uk or call 01264 850 304 for more information.

Food is available to pick up 5.30pm - 8.30pm Wed to Sat evening, and 12pm - 4pm Sunday afternoon. Please order in advance with a pick up time by phone.

COLLINGBOURNE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dan Crossman, Headteacher, writes:

It has of course been a rather strange and unusual time for all members of Collingbourne School over the past two months.



Whilst our children and families have been keeping themselves safe at home, teachers have been posting daily 'home learning' activities via our school blog. It's been brilliant to see the good work children and their parents have been producing at home and equally good that we can share this with each other.

As I write this, plans are afoot to prepare for the government's intended opening date of June 1st. School may look rather different when children return as we all try to accommodate the new social distancing protocols however I'm confident that Collingbourne will, as ever, rise to the challenge!

I hope that, before long, we can find our new 'normal' and get back to life as a school and village community. Stay safe and I hope to see everyone soon.

CRICKETING COMMENT

David Malley writes:

As you'd expect under the current circumstances, the beginning of the cricketing summer has been delayed somewhat, and the opportunity to play a few games at all this year decreases with every passing week of lockdown. We should have been discussing the start of the 2020 season; the busy fixture lists for all of our sides; how great the ground is looking; and opening up our cricket bags and contemplating replacing the whites, or seeing if we could get



another summer out of them. Instead we're sitting at home awaiting news from the government as to whether restrictions will be eased.

Faint glimmers of hope sit on the horizon with the most recent easing of social distancing rules, but unfortunately the current situation from the ECB still dictates that all recreational cricket remains suspended until further notice, with the sole exception of the use of outdoor cricket nets.

And on that note, unfortunately the cricket club is currently unable to maintain our net facilities to the strict standards set out in the ECB's current Covid-19 guidelines and will therefore remain closed. We will of course not restrict access to the nets, but the use of these facilities will be done entirely at the user's own risk and we urge everyone to adhere to current government social distancing guidelines.

Meanwhile the club continues to function as normally as we can, with the added complication of slightly more Zoom meetings than we've ever had before, and we're busily making plans for when cricket can resume. Our ground team are still hard at it, and using this time wisely to renovate our square as well as finish off the refurbishment of the nets. We're always looking for new volunteers to help with the groundskeeping tasks, so if you can spare some time then do please get in touch.

As ever we will keep everyone posted on the latest developments via our website www.collingbournecricketclub.co.uk and our usual social media channels. Until next month – when we hope to have some more positive news – stay alert and stay safe!

COLLINGBOURNES AND EVERLEIGH GARDENING CLUB

Patti Marsh (01264 850319) writes:

We may not be able to hold our monthly meetings but we are still continuing with our gardening! We had a club plant sale during May which allowed members to dispose of surplus plants and others to happily acquire them – at a distance of course.



It should have been the Annual Plant Sale on the 9th May with all the table browsing, socialising, coffee drinking and cake eating but we shall have to make up for that when we are able to meet up again.

The Gardeners' Lunch is currently still scheduled for August, if official rules allow, and we hope to hold our autumn outings and meetings as published in our programme. Our members will be advised of any changes as soon as a decision is made but, in the meantime, enjoy your gardens and let's hope for warm weather.

If you want any further information our chairman, Caroline Bouwens (01264 850250) or myself (01264 850319). We will be pleased to speak to you.

PROSPECT HOSPICE

Amy Francombe writes:

End of life specialists launch appeal for support during Covid-19 pandemic.



The Coronavirus pandemic has affected the nation in different ways but one area that has been hit harder than most is the charity sector.

For local charity Prospect Hospice, demand for services is increasing while, at the same time, vital funding dried up overnight.



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The charity continues to deliver essential specialist end of life care to local people, but is now struggling to find the funds to do this.

To combat this, the charity is launching an appeal to raise £2 million to ensure its crucial services continue during this time and in the months and years to come.

Irene Watkins, chief executive of Prospect Hospice, said: “The hospice is still supporting this community, but to respond to the current needs for Covid-19 we have had to dramatically change and increase the size and scope of our services.

‘This means we are supporting people in their homes on a scale of operation we have never attempted before, we’ve re-deployed staff to ensure that our skills are used in the best possible way and we’ve invested heavily in PPE to protect our key workers, our patients and their families.’

As a local independent charity, Prospect Hospice depends on nearly three quarters of its income to come from local people but since the end of March, many fundraising events have needed to be cancelled and all hospice shops have closed meaning the traditional ways people used to support the hospice are no longer available.

Talking about funding of the hospice at this time, Ms Watkins said: ‘As you’d expect, we have cut costs wherever we can, and the Government recently committed £200 million to support hospices across the country. From this Prospect Hospice has received an allocation of £341,000, which we welcome, however, in the current climate, we calculate that over the coming six months the shortfall from lost income will mean that we will still need to raise a further £2 million to deliver the hospice service. This I know is a big number but we simply must raise it.’

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Care from the hospice is delivered free of charge to patients in the Swindon and north east Wiltshire area but the hospice incurs large costs in order to do this and, during the Covid-19 period, it is costing the hospice £17,197 a day to run all of its services.

Broken down, it costs around £26 per day to fuel a nurses car so they can visit patients in their own homes, around £177 will pay for all of the specialist medical supplies and equipment that we need to care for a patient, and the average cost of a single person cared for at this time is around £601.

Prospect Hospice has been part of the local community for forty years but it now needs your help to be here for the next forty.

To donate and support Prospect Hospice, visit www.prospect-hospice.net/donate

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Service is urging people not to have bonfires or barbecues due to the increased risk of wildfires following the Wareham Forest fire in Dorset.

With the weather forecast to stay dry but, bonfires are at greater risk of becoming out of control burns. Using a barbecue anywhere other than at home in your garden poses a greater risk for wildfires and using disposable barbecues enhances the risk.

Area Manager Craig Baker said: "In light of the devastation at Wareham Forest and the AMBER wildfire alert, we are asking for

the public's help in ensuring our resources can be used for the vital support of communities by not having campfires or using disposable barbecues in our forests and heathlands.

Whilst we understand that the dry weather will leave many wanting to go out and enjoy it, we cannot stress the importance of being fire-aware enough. This incident is a prime example of how a moment of carelessness can escalate, and the destruction it can cause."

For more information on outdoor fire safety visit <https://www.dwfire.org.uk/safety/safety-outdoors/>

CATS PROTECTION

Ruby writes:

Although we are still closed for rehoming due to the Covid-19 outbreak, we are hopeful that it won't be long until we are able to reopen. We are currently trying to raise funds online whilst the branch is closed. If you can spare anything to help our cats and kittens, please visit the following link to donate.

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/Andover-and-District>

Thank you.

We currently have two beauties named George and Nikita. They will be looking for their new home together once we are able to rehome the cats in our care.

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RAINBOW QUIZ - (ANSWERS ON PAGE 29)

(All answers are one word - a colour, a shade or a hue)

- 1) What is the ink of the cuttlefish called?
- 2) The ports of Odessa and Yalta are on which sea?
- 3) In heraldry, what colour is vert?
- 4) In Cluedo, what colour is the Colonel?
- 5) In snooker, which colour ball is worth three points?
- 6) What is the colour of the beret of the Royal Military Police?
- 7) What is the French for cherry?
- 8) Can you describe the Libyan flag?
- 9) In a UK electrical plug, what colour is the live wire?
- 10) In the Welsh language, what colour is a penguin's head?
- 11) On the Monopoly board, what colour is Bow Street?
- 12) What colour was the Owl and the Pussycat's boat?
- 13) In the title of CS Forester's novel, who is on Resolution?
- 14) What colour dye did the Celts produce from the plant woad?
- 15) What colour derives its name from the Latin for worm?
- 16) In 1948, what colour were Moira Shearer's shoes?
- 17) What colour links a heron, a wagtail and a partridge?
- 18) In Thailand, what colour robes do Buddhist priests wear?
- 19) What colour dye did the ancient Greeks and Romans obtain from shells of the murex family?
- 20) Formed in 1966, which rock group had the members Ginger Baker, Jack Bruce and Eric Clapton?

JULIA'S HOUSE

Susie Carver writes:

HOSPICE STAFF WALK 'AROUND THE WORLD' TO RAISE FUNDS DURING CORONAVIRUS CRISIS



A team of thirty-four Wiltshire carers, nurses and support staff from the Devizes-based Julia's House Children's Hospice have set themselves a lockdown fundraising challenge to collectively walk, run or cycle 24,000 miles - a distance equivalent to travelling around the world.

It will certainly take them more than eighty days, as each staff member uses their daily exercise time to log their miles in an effort to jointly raise £50,000 which will help enable the charity to continue its vital work caring for local children with life-limiting and life-threatening conditions.

Gemma Linford works as a carer for Julia's House and is co-ordinating the challenge with the Wiltshire hospice team. Gemma says: 'Staff wanted to do something to help the charity during this difficult lockdown period. Covid-19 has had a big impact on Julia's House, not just in terms of a loss of income due to the fundraising events we have had to cancel and the shops we have had to close, but also in the ways we are able to provide care to the families we support.'

Julia's House nurses and carers are continuing, under strict infection control procedures, to visit vulnerable children in their homes across Wiltshire and Dorset, responding to families' changing needs on a daily basis. The care and support they provide at this time not only offers vital reassurance and advice to anxious

parents, but crucially, is easing the burden on an overstretched NHS by enabling these children to stay at home.

The charity receives no funding from the government for its Wiltshire hospice, and relies entirely on public fundraising, donations and Gifts in Wills to continue its support of local families. Julia's House has welcomed Government support to help compensate for its significant fall in income, but not knowing how long this support will continue nor how long the country will be in lockdown, the charity's situation is challenging at a time when its care is such a lifeline for local children and families.

To donate to the Julia's House Around the World in Wiltshire challenge visit <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/gemma-linford2>

SAVERNAKE TEAM LETTER

Michael McHugh writes:

Dear Reader,

We are facing a new trepidation as we come to terms with gradually returning to some semblance of normality.

Last week, my colleague Jo chose a hymn for our Sunday Zoom Service which had helped her whilst on active duty in Northern Ireland. It made me reflect on my own experiences when I first arrived at a mission station in a war zone in Zimbabwe.

I arrived at dusk and was shown to my round hut. I was alone in the mission itself. My first night I slept the sleep of the tired, simply happy to arrive safely. The next day I introduced myself to the people about, including the protecting para-military police force. I was nervously alone again when the hospital generators went off at



eight. I went to bed, not wishing to use the battery lights for terrorists to spot. The nearest person was a long way away. Much later, unsleeping, lying terrified in my bed, I heard a rustling outside. The terrorists were outside my hut! The rustling continued. I got increasingly scared. Could I build up the courage to turn the battery light on? An eternity later I did. A large black beetle was moving around on the paper in my bin!

I learnt a hard lesson that night about fear and unseen enemies. In traditional theology they talk about the devil taking advantage of our fear. Psychologically we could talk about insecurities or paranoia feeding upon themselves. The important thing is that our emotions kick everything out of kilter. If I had not found the courage to turn the light on, I would have spent the rest of the night in fear. Statistically, I was safer in that war zone than I have ever been since.

My relationship with Jesus has kept me relatively sane despite a life of much greater challenges than the beetle in the bin. It allowed me to live with my emotional fear which conflicted so often with my intellectual knowledge of risk.

Niebuhr, the American theologian grasped this idea which was later versed in the Serenity Prayer used by Alcoholics Anonymous.

*God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change,
the courage to change the things I can,
and the wisdom to know the difference.*

We still have a job dealing with the physical and mental threat of Covid-19. It will call for serenity, courage and wisdom. The important thing is that we don't let it get us out of kilter.

Every blessing, keep safe, *Michael*

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, COLLINGBOURNE DUCIS

Tish Leigh, Churchwarden, (01264 850867) writes:

Although 'lockdown' measures have been slightly eased recently, our churches remain closed for the time being at least. As I reported last month, although the church building is closed and we cannot meet physically, the people of the church are still very much in contact, worshipping and praying together. Each Sunday approximately eighty people join an online service via Zoom, which is led by Savernake team rector, Rev Michael McHugh. If you would like to join future online services, click on the blue link below at 11 am for services every Sunday until we resume ordinary services.



<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82668874600?pwd=M31mU3ovY1p0ZHFDW1FBdy9PVWtFZz09>

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Pewsey Deanery is continuing to send out brilliant, **daily** readings, reflections and prayers from the churches and parishes of the Deanery. While we're not, for the time being, meeting for Sunday worship, we can still live in prayerful reflection on love for our neighbours as well as looking after ourselves. If you, or if you know of anyone, a family member, or a neighbour, near or far, who might appreciate receiving an inspiring reading, a few encouraging thoughts, and a prayer every day, then do please contact me on **01264 850867** and I will ask that you are added to the email list.

In addition, as was said in last month's Courier, as part of our ongoing support to the community, St Andrew's Church is here to offer moral and spiritual encouragement to anyone who is ill, in self-isolation or otherwise downhearted about current events. You

can contact me at the above number to submit a prayer request or schedule a call to a member of our congregation for a supportive talk, uplifting chat or general chin-wag! St Andrew's has set up a Covid-19 specific prayer group where we will continue to pray daily for the National effort, the three villages and any specific prayer submissions. All submissions will be kept confidential within our prayer group.

Rev. Jo Reid continues to help to collect essential items, prescriptions etc. while people are self-isolating. I know that this has kept her very busy at times – thank you to her and all the others doing this valuable service.

As I'm writing this, I'm very aware that today (16th May) we should have been enjoying St. Andrew's Church Fête and tri-village tournament. Ah well, hopefully this time next year! It's in the diary for Saturday 15th May 2021! We will be in need of some serious fundraising by then! Meanwhile, lucky Collingbourne Kingston retains the cup for another year, residing in the Barleycorn!

Finally, remember St Andrew's Church has its own Facebook page. We will aim to keep it up to date with Church of England news and further updates about worship. The link is on our webpage or alternatively in Facebook just search for St. Andrews Church, Collingbourne Ducis.

Keep up to date with fine detail changes in between Courier editions at www.savernaketeam.org.uk

Keep safe and stay well!

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, COLLINGBOURNE DUCIS

Following Government advice, the church will be closed until further notice. We are sad to do this but we must protect one another. However, However, click on the blue link below to join the churches of the Savernake team for a service at 11 am every Sunday until we resume ordinary services.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82668874600?pwd=m3lmu3ovy1p0zhfdwlfbdy9pvwtfzz09>

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ST MARY'S, COLLINGBOURNE KINGSTON

All Church Services are suspended until further notice because of health considerations due to Covid-19. Unfortunately, the Church will be closed all day until further notice.

Addresses for the village websites:

CD: www.collingbourne-ducis.com

CK: www.collingbournekingston.org.uk

Everleigh: www.everleigh.org

QUIZ ANSWERS:

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|------------|-------------------------|
| 1) Sepia | 11) Orange |
| 2) Black | 12) Pea-green |
| 3) Green | 13) Brown |
| 4) Mustard | 14) Blue |
| 5) Green | 15) Vermillion |
| 6) Red | 16) Red |
| 7) Cerise | 17) Grey |
| 8) Green | 18) Saffron (or orange) |
| 9) Brown | 19) Purple |
| 10) White | 20) Cream |

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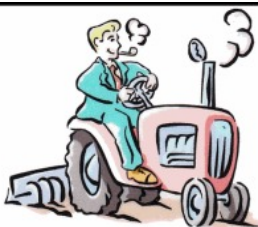
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