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Scene in Baydon

..a bi-monthly digest of what's going on in Baydon: **December 11**



Keep an eye on the website and notice boards for the date of
Christmas Carols around the tree (on the Green) followed by
festive refreshments.

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Hello All

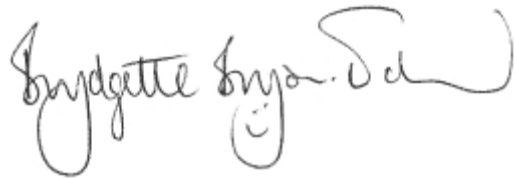
I'd like to say a HUGE thanks to Rosie (see pages 28 and 29) for responding to my piece on organ donation last edition. She and her family have been in touch with my brother and sister-in-law and they both have gleaned a strength from Rosie (and her parent's) story. Chip is now off oxygen (a major milestone - not least because it means they can now move around the house with her without having a great canister attached). Thanks Rosie and family!

The Scene Team are always on the look out for local stories, adverts and nuggets - please feel free to send anything you think might be of interest to those in Baydon. Either:

- email me at brydgette@email.com
- pop any items through my door at 5 Manor Lane, or
- drop copy into Debbie at the Shop who will pass it onto me for inclusion. If Debbie's not there - drop it in the Baydon Scene bag

Have a very, very merry Christmas and so much love and luck in 2012!

All the very best




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And now this month's brain teaser!

The Really Tricky Christmas Quiz!

1. In what century was St. Nicholas first mentioned?
2. Which town is the setting for the perennial Christmas classic 'It's a Wonderful Life'?
3. In what year did a shipload of Italian sailors rescue the bones of St. Nicholas?
4. In 1821 a poem was published that mentioned Santa Claus for the first time. What was the name of the poem?
5. What major U.S. facility provides up-to-date information every Christmas Eve on the flight path of Santa Claus?
6. What is the name of the character that Tim Allen plays in the movie 'The Santa Clause'?
7. In the Netherlands, Santa Claus is known as Sinterklaas. How does he deliver candy and gifts to the children there?
8. What is the total amount of destinations that Santa delivers to?
9. In which oceans would you find a 'Christmas Island'?
10. In the book, 'How the Grinch Stole Christmas', the Grinch is caught in the act of stealing a Christmas tree. Who is this Who who does this?
11. In Gian Carlo Menotti's opera, 'Amahl and the Night Visitors', what did Amahl offer the Three Wise Kings?
12. How many candles are on a Hanukkah Menorah?
13. In the movie 'Miracle on 34th Street', Kris Kringle is hired to play Santa Claus in what large department store?
14. 'For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.' In which book of the New Testament does this verse appear?
15. In How the Grinch Stole Christmas, the name of Grinch's dog was?

Answers in the next edition

Answers to last edition's quiz - 60's Quiz

1. 1961 2. Rudolf Nureyev 3. Mary Quant 4. Dag Hammarskjöld 5. Woodstock 6. 1969 7. Yuri Gagarin 8. Christiaan Barnard 9. West coast of Cornwall 10. 1968 11. Czechoslovakia 12. Eagle 13. Bladon Nr Woodstock, Oxon 14. Lennon McCartney 15. Traffic wardens



St Nicholas' Church - Baydon CHURCH SERVICES FOR DECEMBER & JANUARY



4 December	Patronal & Family Christingle Service
11 December	Holy Communion
18 December	Carol Service - 4 pm (no morning service)
24 December	Christmas Eve Midnight Communion - 11:30 pm
25 December	Christmas Day Family Communion
1 January	Team New Year Covenant & Communion Service - 10 am Ramsbury
8 January	Holy Communion
15 January	Morning Prayer
22 January	Holy Communion
29 January	Team Service at Aldbourn - 10 am



All services are at 09.30 am unless otherwise stated

Holy Cross, Chiseldon, was targeted again by thieves in October. Most of the lead from the vestry roof was taken plus other bits. This is the most ever taken in one go and will cost several thousands of pounds to replace. Please continue to be vigilant with all of our churches.

Peter Ball writes about . . .

Hoping

It's what December is all about, isn't it? Counting down the days to Christmas; getting everything as nearly ready as you can; hiding presents in top cupboards away from children's prying eyes. It's decorations in High Streets, canned carols in the shops and spend, spend, spend. And then you ask, 'Why?'



If you go to the Church services during the first part of the month it's not about all that at all. In Advent – the word itself means 'Coming' -- we keep the four weeks leading up to Christmas as a time to celebrate hope. Certainly it reflects the preparations for Christmas, but it remembers whose the birthday we look forward to enjoying is. The story of the baby born to Mary in the Bethlehem stable sings God's love song for all the people on earth. It echoes God's desire for the good of every single person and looks forward in hope to the day when that hoped will be fulfilled.

That is what all the Christmas services in your parish church celebrate. (You've got the timetable elsewhere in this issue.) Whether it is a Sunday during the Advent run-up to the great day; whether it is one of the deeply evocative, candlelit Carol Services; perhaps a children's Crib Service or Christingle; or one of the main festival services of Holy Communion at Mid-night or Christmas morning -- know that you will be most welcome to be there and to take part in the rejoicing for the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Merry Christmas to you all

Peter

What's Going On?

2 December	Red Lion Pub	Ali Finnegan Live Music - 21:00
3 December	School	Christmas Fayre - 14:00-16:30
4 December	Church	Patronal & Family Christingle Service - 09:30
8 December	Outside School	Mobile Library - 10:50 - 11:40
8 December	TBC	Social Group Skittles Evening - 19:30
9 December	Azuza Nightclub	Christmas Disco (Yrs 7-11)- 19:30 to late
9 December	Red Lion Pub	Andy Margaret Live Music - 21:00
10 December	Red Lion Pub	Roger's Karaoke
11 December	Church	Holy Communion - 09:30
18 December	Church	Carol Service - 16:00
22 December	Outside School	Mobile Library - 10:50 - 11:40
23 December	Red Lion Pub	Live Music - Aura
24 December	Downsmead	Jogging Club Festive Xmas Run - 08:30
24 December	Church	Christmas Eve Midnight Communion - 23:30
25 December	Church	Christmas Day Family Communion - 09:30
1 January	Ramsbury Church	Team New Year Cov. & Communion - 10:00
5 January	Outside School	Mobile Library - 10:50 - 11:40
8 January	Church	Holy Communion - 09:30
12 January	Red Lion Pub	Social Group Social Gathering
16 January	BYPA Hall	Baydon Parish Council Meeting - 20:00
18 January	Church	Morning Prayer - 09:30
20 January	Red Lion Pub	Live Music - Black Hawkes
22 January	Church	Holy Communion - 09:30
29 January	Aldbourn Church	Team Service - 10:00

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Church Roof - Fund Raising

The Baydon St. Nicholas church roof is badly leaking and needs urgent repair. We're fundraising to stop the leaks! Keep an eye out on notice boards and website for our latest events.

If you feel you can help with fundraising or want to know more details please contact Baydon PCC - church@baydon.org

New Secretary needed

Baydon Parochial Church Council, (PCC)

Baydon PCC is looking for a new Secretary to take over the role in the New Year; we are a friendly group and would welcome anyone who felt they could help.

The role is not onerous, (minute taking approx 6 meetings a year and a small amount of correspondence) and this would be a great opportunity to get more involved in a village group.

If you think you could help or would like more details please get in touch with the PCC.

Baydon PCC

Churchwarden: 01672 540465

Church@baydon.org



Heads Up!

Baydon St. Nicholas CE Primary School Report

As we move through the last term of 2011 our children have enjoyed celebrating Harvest and are now commencing activities leading up to Christmas.

Our Eagles netball teams and Kingfishers football teams all did extremely well playing in the St John's mini festivals with the Kingfishers football team winning the League B trophy.

All children enjoyed attending an anti-bullying magic show run by The Magic Club of Great Britain as part of anti-bullying week, where the strong message was put across in a fun environment.

Eagles and Goldfinches have participated in Fire and Safety Education Sessions provided by Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service.

We are very fortunate in school to be enjoying the following after school and lunch time clubs and activities: netball, multiskills, Zumba, choir, science and gardening.

The staff, children, parents and friends of school raised a fantastic £351 for Children in Need when we wore spotty clothes, covered Pudsey in pennies and held a Staff vs Children netball match, I will leave you to guess who won!

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a peaceful Christmas and happy and healthy 2012.

R N Chambers
Headteacher



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BROWNIES UPDATE

Baydon Brownies and Little Crickets Pre-School would like to say a BIG thank you to everyone for the support that they showed us at the Refreshment stand on Bonfire Night. Thanks to their support, we have raised £300 to be divided between the 2 groups.

1st Baydon Brownies are collecting plastic milk bottle lids as part of their continual fundraising. If you would like to collect and donate your lids (no matter how few - every lid will help), please drop them off either at the BYPA or at 6 Ermin Close.

Thank you.

Run for it!

The Jogging Group will be meeting at 08:30 on Saturdays - whatever the weather! Anyone interested in joining - meet by Downsmead notice board

We do meet at other times during the week so please call or email Heather for info.

We are going to have a special Festive Xmas run on Xmas Eve at 8.30am Please don your antlers, Father Xmas hats etc and join us

The Jogging Group is for all levels from complete beginners to Marathon distance. Watch the website and notice boards for details of meetings. Contact either Heather Burch on 07796 300645 or Harriet Knowles 07767 895986. Or email: hburch1@yahoo.co.uk

Harriet, took part in the Abingdon Marathon in October and recorded a fantastic time of 3 hours 36 minutes which now automatically qualifies her for the London Marathon in 2013 as "Good for Age" !

Netball



WANTED !!!

Baydon Womens Netball Team.
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If you are new to the village, (or are a long term resident of Baydon) and want to meet people please come and join us in the new year. It's an informal gathering, we don't have agendas, minutes, chairmen or secretaries, so you won't be dragged into any formal group roles.

We have in the last year had visits, speakers on various subjects, walks, games evening and a number of social gatherings, and we are looking forward to a variety of events in 2012.

On Thursday January 12th we will be meeting at the Red Lion for a social gathering and to discuss the future events. Come and find out what is already planned and have your say with regard to other meetings. Some of us will probably be having a meal there but if you just want to come to the meeting then that is fine. Come along and decide if you want to join us.

You don't have to make up your mind there and then but if you do, the membership fee is £12 per person for the year. Nothing more to pay unless food or drink is involved in the meeting or if we go on a visit.

We look forward to welcoming new members to the group.

If you would like to have a meal with us on the 12th then please give me a call on 540481, so that I can let Clare and Sam know the number of diners.

Pat Rhodes

Please phone for more details.

Pat Rhodes 540481.

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And if you'd like to be part of Baydon's choir - call too

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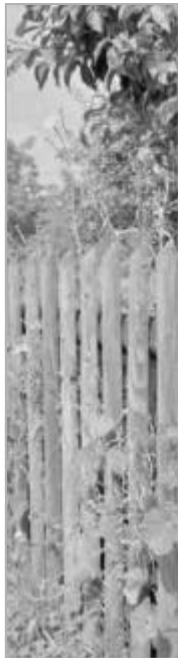


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The applicant should be willing to attend any training required

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CRB checks and medical clearance are required

Deadline for application 15th December 2011

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We are also posting out over 20,000 surveys at random to addresses in Wiltshire. If you know of a friend or neighbour that would like to take part then please let them know how to by passing on this message. More information about the survey is on the Wiltshire Council website www.wiltshire.gov.uk/whatmatterstoyou.

Parish Council Corner

Messages from the new Chair - Andy Knowles

Welcome to the Parish Council page and this bumper addition of the Baydon Village Scene. On behalf of all the councillors and the clerk, we would like to extend a very warm and festive cheer to you all and hope you have a very Merry Christmas and happy New Year.

As many of you will now know, Tony Prior resigned as Chairman of the Parish Council in October after serving the village for many years and during this time we have seen many changes, which have been initiated by Tony's leadership. Tony's dedication to all aspects "Baydon" have in part gone unnoticed, as the work he has put in behind the scenes has been relentless, so on behalf of the Parish Council and Villagers I would like to take this opportunity to say 'Thank You' for everything you have done.....enjoy!

As we embark on a new era within the Parish Council, it has been refreshing to see new volunteers come forward for the Council and interest is still coming in, so thank you. The work done by the Councillors, is done so on a voluntary basis in order to help shape the future of the village going forward. Although some decisions made, may not be in the agreement of everyone, we do so with the thoughts of the majority and the Baydon Village plan in mind. If you would like your voice to be heard, then please come along to the meetings as this is the best platform for you to share your views and listen to the opinions of the Councillors.

Enjoying the Big Bang!! I think you will all agree that the fireworks this year were fantastic and get better year on year. Our thanks go the "Baydon Fireworks display team" (nicely kitted out in their new branded clothes too!!) and all the volunteers on the night for a truly memorable evening.



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The village display is reliant on donations from the residents and sadly due to a 'mindless' few this year who decided to vandalise some of the equipment pre event, we had to invest some money for replacement items in order for the display to continue. Your support is imperative and it is with your donations that we can keep the event alive.

New for next year:

- The Baydon Youth Scheme will be up and running, details will be posted in the near future. This will be a valuable service for the younger generation within the village and we hope you support the scheme, as it will provide fun packed evenings, education advice and services, support networks and the basis of a youth council that can help and support the views of this generation within the village.

Baydon Cricket Club has received a matched grant this year to improve the facilities and training needs of the club. We hope this will attract new players to get involved and create a real sense of 'community' togetherness with your support during home matches! Warm summer days, with a picnic and drinks with family and friends whilst supporting your local team.....I can taste the Pimms already!!

Please keep checking the notice boards and website for information on all the upcoming festive events, however lastly I wanted to express my thanks to all those involved within the Parish Council for their dedication of time and resource for what makes a remarkable village..... Merry Christmas to you all.

Festive regards,

Andy Knowles
BPC Chairman.

Next Parish Council Meetings are:

28 November at the BYPA Hall - 8 pm

16 January 2012 at the BYPA Hall - 8 pm

Visit www.baydon.org for up-to-date village news & events, weather and features, Parish Council minutes & agendas

PARISH PLAYGROUND

WHAT IS THE POINT - AGAIN?

The steel picnic benches have only been installed for two months and a local person has already defaced one of them.

Two groups of letters have been scratched into the paint and were found during a Wiltshire Council routine inspection of the play equipment.



One group is someone's initials – J E W. I would prefer not to list the other word on a public notice.

It is not acceptable for the expression "boys will be boys" – in these PC days one must also add "girls will be girls" – to be offered as an excuse. The act simply demonstrates a lack of respect for a new village amenity.

One would have thought that such behaviour would not exist in a village such as Baydon.

A N Prior
Former Chairman - Baydon PC
7 October 2011

Editor's note: Come on you lot - let's look after our things. Why would you want to mess up your own stuff?

Marlborough Area Board

Next meeting is: 7 February 2012

Kennet Valley Village Hall, Lockeridge, Marlborough Wilts. SN8 4EL
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We can be contacted at Marlborough by phoning:
0845 408 7000 EXT 739817.
Mobile: 07969 501963

PC BATCHELOR 1661 - Marlborough Parade Room, ext. 739-818.

- Phone: WILTS POL on 0845 408 7000 Internal ext 739-818
- E-mail jeremy.batchelor@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk



You are now able to contact Wiltshire Police by calling 101. The roll out of this new non-emergency number is part of a national programme to make it easier for you to contact your local police. 101 is now used for non-emergencies such as contacting local officers, getting crime prevention advice, making Wiltshire Police aware of policing issues in our local area, for any other non-emergency and reporting a crime (unless it's a crime in progress, when you should dial 999)

Marlborough CAN Newsletter

Marlborough CAN helps you keep in touch with things that are happening locally. With regular news from the Council, Police, NHS and many other local community groups and organisations, you can be the first to know what is happening. With opportunities to have a say on important issues and to take part in local events and activities, **Marlborough CAN** will put you in the picture.

See the latest CAN at Baydon.org



Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service's 'Partnership Matters' newsletter is at Baydon.org - it's a wealth of info on the work of the service and important information for everyone.



Top Tips for Recycling this Christmas

Christmas is a great time, but with all the mountains of presents, wrapping paper, cards and extra food, we can all do our bit for recycling. These Top Tips will help you recycle, reuse and reduce your waste this Christmas.



Your waste recycling collection day will change over Christmas as no collections will take place on 26 December. Remember to check the council's online collection calendar for details of your collections changes.



You can make the most of your blue lidded recycling bin over the festive period by recycling many of your Christmas items at the kerbside, including: Christmas cards, cardboard boxes and cardboard packaging, cardboard tubes, wrapping paper (not foil or plastic paper), plastic fizzy drink bottles, plastic juice bottles, plastic cleaning product bottles.



Don't forget your black box. There are lots of extra Christmas items that you can recycle in your black box, including: large chocolate tins, biscuit tins, drinks cans, mincemeat and jam jars, glass bottles, clean foil including cake cases and foil trays for the turkey, Christmas card envelopes.



You can take your real Christmas trees to any of Wiltshire's 11 household recycling centres for recycling. If you currently have a garden waste bin you can also put your Christmas tree out by the side of your bin for collection on your normal scheduled garden waste collection day. Christmas trees will only be collected during January.



Much of the waste left over after Christmas can be recycled at your nearest household recycling centre. You can even recycle your old Christmas tree's and electrical items. Household recycling centres will be closed from 1pm Christmas Eve, and all day on Christmas day, Boxing Day and New Years day.



Instead of sending a conventional Christmas card, why not send a Recycling E-Card on www.recyclenow.com. You can decorate your own card electronically using decorations made out of recycled materials that are collected in Wiltshire.

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- Look out for gifts made from recycled items or with packaging that can be reused or recycled easily. Gift bags and tins can be reused again and again

 After your Christmas dinner remember that you can put food waste into your food waste digester. Check out www.recycleforwiltshire.com for details on food waste digesters and how to buy a discounted unit for your garden.
 Christmas and New Year are perfect times for dinner parties and you may need to cook for large number of people. Look at www.lovefoodhatewaste.com for a perfect portion planner to help with how much ingredients to use per person.
 If you make too much food over Christmas don't throw it away! Pop it in a container in the fridge or freezer and eat at a later date.
 Why not make your own Christmas presents, Get crafty in the kitchen, on the sewing machine or with the knitting needles. Your friends and family will love something you have made by hand and you can save money and waste!

Christmas and New Year waste and recycling collection changes

Your scheduled waste and recycling collection day may change as there will be no collections taking place on 26 December.

Please check below or online at www.wiltshire.gov.uk to see how this affects your collections.



All services – household waste, black box, garden waste, plastic bottles and cardboard.	
Normal collection day:	Revised collection day:
Monday 26 December	Tuesday 27 December
Tuesday 27 December	Wednesday 28 December
Wednesday 28 December	Thursday 29 December
Thursday 29 December	Friday 30 December
Friday 30 December	Saturday 31 December

Scene Review

Where anyone can review books, pubs, restaurants, events, special places or pretty much anything (keep it clean!). Send your review to Editor at brydgette@email.com

"A Tiny Bit Marvellous" by Dawn French

I bought this book on the strength of the author's name and the reviewers' comments, in the expectation of an entertaining, light-hearted read. It is more than that.

Each member of the Battle family writes his/her diary, and the distinct characters, experiences and emotions, fears and ambitions come across in full Technicolor. Each has his own writing style.

I found reading the teenage daughter's entries difficult initially, with the style of her language and her fragile, stropky character; but it was worth the effort of persisting, to get to know her better, and understand why her view of herself and her family's views of her were so at odds.

Her brother, by contrast, has no problem with lack of self-esteem. Mum is trying to fix them both and run a full-time career, while Dad is doing his supportive best to hold things together in a whirlwind household.

Steady Gran is there for everyone, with loving good sense and their favourite cake. The arrival of an intern at Mum's place of work impacts on everyone more than anyone would have liked, challenging each person as to who they are, what their family is and what they want to happen next.

This book could have been written only by someone who has been a parent of teenagers, I think. There is real insight and wisdom in this book and its observations on family life, growing up, decisions, love and loyalty. It is, I would say, a tiny bit marvellous.

Tamzin Lafford

Tamzin grew up in Baydon, attending St. Nicholas' School. Reading has been a significant pastime since childhood. Having spent years writing scientific reports in bullet-points, she ventured into more creative writing on her blog when she went travelling in 2009. Currently living and working in France, the blog has gone bilingual, although Tamzin does not vouch for the accuracy of the French.



AVON COSMETICS



I have recently started to sell AVON COSMETICS in the Baydon area.

If you are interested and wish to see a brochure - please contact me.

THE CHRISTMAS BROCHURE IS NOW AVAILABLE



I will be leaving copies in the shop with Debbie and in the Red Lion pub with Clair.

Please feel free to ask for a copy or contact me - Chris on 07717 494304

If you are interested in becoming an AVON representative, please contact me for further information.

Aldbourn & Baydon Link Scheme

(Reg Charity 1112698)

Help is available for:

Transport for:

Medical, dental or other similar appointments
Visiting a friend or relation in hospital
Collecting shopping, library books etc

Help at home

Small tasks, visiting for a chat or a game of cards
Occasionally caring for pets
Helping with post or paperwork
Small gardening jobs

There's no charge but the Link Scheme welcomes donations from those who use the service

Phone: 01672 541345

Do You Know Someone With Sight Problems?

You can hear all of the latest local news and gossip, a weekly selection of magazine articles, and get to know what's going on in your area from our local Talking Newspaper.

Produced each Friday by volunteers, a cassette is sent out free of charge to blind or partially sighted folk in the area.

Call Michael Brown on 01672 562979 and he'll do the rest!



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Valley Film Society



www.valleyfilmsociety.org

Tuesday 6th December

Preceded at 7.25 by short AGM with mince pies & mulled wine

Titfield Thunderbolt (U)

UK (1953) 84mins

Stars: Stanley Holloway, George Relph, Sid James Dir: Charles Crichton
Vintage Ealing comedy from a time when railways ran (on time) through villages...

Saturday 7th January

Girl with the Dragon Tattoo (18)

Please note this is a change from the usual Tuesday night screening.
Sweden (2009) 152 mins Stars: Michael Nyqvist, Noomi Rapace Dir: Niels Arden Oplev

Original Swedish adaptation of the first part of Stieg Larsson's best-selling trilogy. A journalist is aided in his search for a woman who has been missing - or dead - for forty years by a young female hacker.

East Garston Village Hall • Doors & bar open at 7pm •
Screenings start at 7.30pm • Guests welcome • Food ordered on the door • For membership information contact Penny Brewer on 01488 72305 or pennyandbob.brewer@tiscali.co.uk



Warm welcome, tiered seating & wide screen but bring a cushion for extra comfort if you wish.
Social club bar open and the option to order a Nippy Chippy supper (last orders 7.20 pm latest) to be delivered in the interval.

New members are very welcome and can join for Season Six on the evening

Full membership: £27 : concessions (unwaged): £20. Guest entrance: £5

For more details please ring Penny Brewer 01488 72305, email penny.jocke@freeuk.com or log in to www.valleyfilmsociety.org

MERRY CHRISTMAS

And all the very, very
best for 2012
From the Scene Team

Baydon Post Office

Christmas Post Office Opening Hours

Christmas Eve - 09:00 - 12:30

Christmas Day - Closed

Mon 26 December - Closed

Tues 27 December - Closed

Wed 28 December - 09:00 - 13:00

Thurs 29 December - 09:00 - 13:00

Fri 30 December - 09:00 - 13:00

Sat 31 December - 09:00 - 13:00

Sun 1st January - Closed

Mon 2 January - Closed

Tues 3 January - 09:00 - 13:00 (back to normal)



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Tues 27 December - 10:00-12:00

Wed 28 December - 08:00-17:00

Thurs 29 December- 08:00 - 17:00

Fri 30 December - 08:00-17:00

Sat 31 December - 08:00-16:00

Sun 1st January - 10:00 - 12:00

(Happy New Year!)

Mon 2 January - 10:00-12:00

Tues 3 January - 06:45-18:00 (back to normal)

Real Christmas trees
for sale arriving
3rd December



BLUEZ 'N' ZUZ

Azuza Nightclub

Friday 9th December 2011

7.00pm - 9.00pm

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Bus to Newbury - NEW!

Did you know that there is a bus that runs from Baydon to Newbury every Thursday for Market Day?

The Newbury Bus, on a Thursday, is now being operated by a new Company from December 8th.



The bus will leave Baydon (end of Downsmead) at 10.22am and take a slightly different route to Newbury.

The number to call to book a seat is 0844 870 8397 - when telephoning please remember to book both ways, if you wish to return on the bus.

It may not be as quick, or follow such a direct route, as in the car but it certainly beats finding a place to park – and of course it is free for those over sixty (providing you have your bus pass).

Barbara F.

Mobile Library

The Mobile Library will be outside the school on the following dates:

☼ 8 December	22 December	5 January
☼ 19 January	2 February	
	<u>10:50 - 11:40</u>	

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A community-based repairs and maintenance service from Ridgeway Care & Repair Wiltshire.

General maintenance
Including carpentry, fencing, paths and garden clearance.

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All types of minor plumbing works.

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All types of minor electrical works.

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Including door or window locks, lighting, CCTV and smoke alarm installation.

Minor adaptations
Including grab rails, hand rails and portable or fixed ramping installation.

To be eligible for this service, you must be aged 60 or more, or at least 18 and with a disability.

01380 735555
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Aldbourn & Baydon Aid in Sickness Fund

The Fund benefits the sick or those in financial difficulty because of sickness. Small grants are offered to residents of the two parishes plus loans of medical equipment (to parishioners and visitors)

All bona fide enquiries welcome and those from friends and neighbours

Contact

Debbie Moxon (Baydon) on 540266
Jocelyn Evans (Aldbourn) on 540206



Prospect Hospice Collection

The amount raised this Autumn for the Prospect Hospice from the box collection in the village was £254.54.

Many thanks to all those who have boxes in their homes and who donate so generously each year.

All that loose change does mount up as we regularly send about £500 each year to help the day to day running of the Hospice.

Baydon's Brilliant Bonfire Night

Another spectacular display from the team. Firework night was a triumph in the village thanks to the obvious hard work put in by all those involved in the organisation and presentation. It gets better each year and the safety precautions taken on and off the field were outstanding. Very many thanks from the hundreds of those who enjoyed an exciting, colourful community event.

It must be mentioned how sad it is that the team had to deal with the laziness of the few who chose to dump non combustibles such as aluminium ladder, plastic garden furniture, bottles, metal fixings etc. on the bonfire prior to the evening. The extra work put in by the organisers to clear this is very much appreciated. The frustration felt when faced with this on top of having equipment stolen and damaged must make the organisers feel they want to give the whole project up; that would be understandable and a very great shame. Why are there always a few people who get their enjoyment by spoiling things for others?

Mo Rafford

The Firework Committee, stewards and everyone else involved in organising the annual Baydon firework display did another great job and did us proud with the display on Saturday evening. Over 700 people came along to see the firework display

On behalf of Trevor, Jim and the Firework Committee :- We hope that everybody enjoyed the bonfire and fireworks. We would like to thank all the stewards, Baydon Brownies, Little Crickets Pre-school, Debbie at the shop, the Red Lion, the Parish Council for their continued support and finally everyone who attended to make this such a successful and enjoyable evening

Mark Austen

Better off Green

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The Better off Green roadshow is coming to you...

It's part of Aster's exciting new project to help you save money and shrink your environmental footprint.

What's in it for you?

- Freebies, fun, competitions and activities
- Advice on saving money by being greener
- Bring your energy bills and we'll show you how to check you're getting the best deal

Come along and see if you can be Better off Green.

Everyone is welcome!

When?	17 November 2pm – 6.30pm
Where?	Ludgershall Memorial Hall, Andover Road
When?	21 November 2pm – 6.30pm
Where?	Market Lavington Community Hall, St Mary's Road
When?	28 November 2pm – 6.30pm
Where?	Marlborough Town Hall
When?	9 December 2pm – 6.30pm
Where?	Devizes, St James Parish Centre, Victoria Road

Supported by Wiltshire Wildlife Trust, Southern Electric, Citizens Advice Bureau, Home Heat Helpline, Refurbiz and Wiltshire Council.

Wiltshire Council Markets



Visit your local market for a wide range of produce, clothes, antiques and gifts.

Regular markets are held in towns across the county and generally run from 8am to 5pm. There are also special markets such as the Italian and French markets and the Christmas markets

Check out your local market this week:

Tuesday Corsham • Devizes (antiques) • Pewsey
Wednesday Marlborough • Amesbury
Thursday Wilton • Devizes (indoor and outdoor) • Bradford on Avon
Friday Devizes (indoor) • Warminster • Calne • Chippenham
Saturday Devizes (indoor) • Marlborough • Chippenham

For more details:
 Call 0300 456 0100 or visit www.wiltshire.gov.uk

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My Mum and Dad had to carry around a bleep for 6 weeks and had a packed hospital bag in the car just in case that life giving phone call came.



0300 123 23 23
organdonation.nhs.uk

To sign up to the organ donation register go to www.UKtransplant.org.uk.

Before in Baydon we have supported CLDF, Children's Liver Disease Foundation, I would like to remind you about it. CLDF is a charity that helps families going through the touch and go period of having a critically ill child or baby with liver disease. It also helps the research going on to find the causes of liver disease, as most are unknown and different possible medications and even cures.

Please have a look on their website www.childliverdisease.org and get involved they really do help and many families have benefited from their work, including mine.



Caring for young lives

Children's Liver Disease Foundation



Rosie today - 12 years after her transplant and living life to the full

Although I am on medication for the rest of my life, go for regular blood tests and have to be careful with illnesses going around, I enjoy my life and definitely live it to the full.

Rosie Walker

If you have an interesting story to tell about yourself or someone else that lives in Baydon (please get their permission first!) or that might be interesting for those living in Baydon- alert the Editor - Brydgette - 01672 540100 or brydgette@email.com and one of the Editorial Team will go and talk to them

Comment

Where anyone can have a comment or rant about (almost) anything that's relevant to Baydon...but please - keep it clean!

ORGAN DONATION

..it worked for Chip **AND** for Rosie who lives right here in our village

I would like to follow on from what Brydgette said in the last edition of Scene about organ donation. I had a liver transplant when I was 14 months old. I had Biliary Atresia another incurable liver disease meaning I had an operation at 8 weeks old which failed putting me on the list for a transplant.



Rosie the day after her liver transplant

I know quite a lot of you know me, my family and my story but I would like to make you more aware that by being a donor you're not just saving some statistics life we are all actual people with families and possible futures ahead of us. So when you're thinking about organ donation it's not just a stranger you're saving- it could have been me or Chip!

I am now 13 and am thinking about my future, I would like to take my love of performing arts forward to a career and without my donor I would be dead, let alone wanting to work on the stage.

I know that sounds really shocking but I feel that putting yourself on the register sooner rather than later ensures that if

anything were to happen, as some tragic accidents do, your family would know your wishes and people like me or Chip and our parents who are waiting for that critical phone call may just get the help they so desperately need.



Chip Bryon-Edmond.
No longer on oxygen
and very happy!

RED LION



Red Lion - Tel 01672 540112

RedLion@baydon.org

As we fast approach the festive season, please remember that we are still accepting Christmas Party Bookings and Christmas Day Lunch bookings pop in to see a menu!

We also have a New Menu including a NEW Specials Board, Senior Citizens Menu & Sunday Lunch Meal Deals.

Our Quiz nights with a cash prize for the winners start from 8pm on Wednesdays and the next dates are:

14th Dec, 28th Dec, 11th Jan, 25th Jan, 8th Feb, 22nd Feb & a **music quiz on Boxing Day**

Our Live Music Nights start at 9pm and the dates are as follows:

2nd Dec - Ali Finneran

9th Dec - Andy Margaret

10th Dec - Rogers Karaoke

23rd Dec - Aura returns to wish you a Merry Christmas!

Christmas Eve - Put some music on as the juke box is free!

New Years Eve - Nick & Rick are here to see the New Year in with you along with a free buffet!

20th Jan - Black Hawkes

4th Feb - Junior (for my birthday)

25th Feb - Steve Carroll (the guy with the drum)

Our Christmas Opening hours are as follows:

Christmas Eve - Open all Day

Christmas Day - 11.30am- 2.30pm

Boxing Day - 12-3 & 5-10.30pm

Tues-Fri - Normal Hours

New Years Eve - Open All Day

New Years Day - Back to Normal

2nd January - Open from 5pm

So with all that in mind all that's left is for us to wish you a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and a PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

Sam & Clair

Contact Sam or Clair on 01672 540112.

WILTSHIRE COMMUNITY HISTORY

<http://history.wiltshire.gov.uk/community>

Your parish is one of 160 that have been completed so far on our free Wiltshire history website that provides information on a variety of subjects about every parish in the Wiltshire Council area.

Every completed parish has three maps, from 1773, 1810, and the 1890s; the latter has the modern parish boundary superimposed.

These maps can be downloaded or printed free of charge for local or family history purposes and for educational use.



A specially written brief history ranging from 1,500 to 6,000 words is provided for each parish giving basic historical information, useful for both locals and interested visitors. There is an entry for every church and chapel with a brief history and photographs old and new.

Where the church is unlocked we have taken photographs showing features of architectural interest, wall paintings, furnishings and fittings, and memorials.

Each school that we have found in the parish also has its own entry with a history and photographs. Where we hold the school log books we have used information from them to show what the school was like from the 1860s, concentrating on the Victorian period as this is particularly useful for Key Stage 2 pupils at the school. Again where possible we have used old and new photographs.

Other information about the parish includes the census population from 1801 to 2001 (2011 figures will be added as soon as they are available), a select booklist for the parish, archaeological sites, local authors and literary associations, a catalogue of wills from the 1530s to 1857 of people who died in the parish, and details of listed buildings, Ordnance Survey maps and newspapers.

The site is interactive and people can ask questions and receive emailed replies – interesting questions and answers are added to the site. People can also comment on the 5,500+ images on the site.

We continually add material to parishes and would welcome any additional information or images from yourselves that may enhance the entry for your parish.

Other information

We are compiling and uploading timelines for communities and have 23 available at the moment, including one for Wiltshire as a whole.

Our Folk Arts section contains the words of 1,125 folk songs that have been collected in and around Wiltshire. There is also information about the singers, the words of Wiltshire Mummers' plays, and other traditional events.

Verse 1

*All in the town of Marlboro',
A rich farmer there did dwell,
He had an only daughter,
And I think her name was Nell.*

Verse 2

*She had an only sweetheart,
A proper tall young man,
He was one of her father's servants,
And I think that his name was Jan.*

(First two verses of *All in the town of Marlborough*)

So far we have added over 9,000 pages from key works on Wiltshire, mainly from the 18th and 19th centuries. This is an important resource as many of these books are now difficult to obtain.

The site is very popular and we receive comments and e-mails from around the world; in the last four years our images alone have received 1.5 million views and the community pages are viewed by thousands of people every month.

The Local Studies team at the Wiltshire & Swindon History Centre complete about 25 communities each year and are also continually adding images, information and updating earlier entries. We hope to have completed all 261 communities by the autumn of 2015.

Michael Marshman, County Local Studies Librarian