



# Scene in Baydon

..a bi-monthly digest of what's going on in Baydon: **August 09**



*By Gus Christopher. Aged 4*

Hello All

Happy summer! Needless to say - another bumper edition (I'm going to stop saying that now)

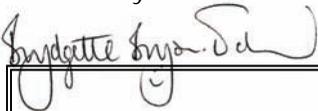
It's that time of year when we expect the sun to shine (next year maybe...), expect the barbeques to be on full blast and look forward to the school holidays. And to all of those who sat GCSE's or A/AS levels this summer - oodles of good luck. To those who are moving to new schools in September or who have left school for the big wide world - good luck - and enjoy it! And congratulations to all Baydon's students who have just graduated and to their proud parents, siblings and grandparents! (Hopefully) our twins will be graduating next year. If they can keep their minds off Rugby, daytime TV and the refectory bar, we'll be celebrating next year too!

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](mailto: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

See you in October when we'll be looking forward to the fireworks, not mowing the lawn during a break in the clouds and counting down to Chr...Chri....Chris....Christmmm - nope - can't say it yet!

All the very best



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St Nicholas' Church - Baydon  
**CHURCH SERVICES FOR AUGUST & SEPTEMBER**



2 August	Family Service & Baptism
9 August	Holy Communion
16 August	Morning Prayer
23 August	Holy Communion
30 August	Team Service at Froxfield
6 September	Family Service
13 September	Team Service at Ramsbury - <b>10:30 am</b> <i>On the 1100th Anniversary of Holy Cross</i>
20 September	Morning Prayer
27 September	Back-To-Church Sunday <i>A Nationwide Invitation to everyone to attend their local Church</i>
4 October	Harvest Festival

**All services are at 9.30am unless otherwise stated**

*From the Registers:*

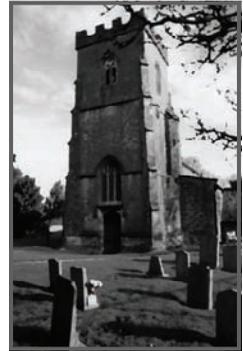
**Baptisms**

25 April    Joseph Terence Kitt

12 July    Elizabeth Jane Harton Carter

## Clergy letter...

It is the holiday season – a chance to get time out, a change from the common round of activities. I wonder if you will take the chance to visit or worship in a church in your holiday location. Many people do, and they find it an interesting experience. It can be refreshing - seeing things in a different way.



In my personal experience, whenever I have visited a new church, whether on holiday or because I have moved into a new area, I have always found a welcome. Church is the one place where everyone should be welcomed – no matter who they are, or how they look! I trust this is true of our churches in the Whitton Team.

On September 27th 2009, half a million people will be inviting someone special to come to church with them on “Back to Church” Sunday. Why? Because, they personally know that being part of a worshipping church community which seeks to learn more about God, is meaningful and helpful. Consequently they want to extend the invitation to others. Watch out for the media coverage and ask yourself if you could invite someone or would appreciate an invitation.

Last year in Colchester Celia went to church on back to church Sunday: “I was surprised when I got to the church that morning. It was different to what I’d imagined, and the people were very friendly. I didn’t feel like they were trying to shove religion down my throat, they let me make up my own mind. It was a very relaxed and welcoming atmosphere, just like one big family. I would recommend it to others: you never know where it could lead you. My whole life has changed completely in the last year.”

If you don’t go to church and would like to know more about the Christian faith, then we warmly invite you to our services on “Back to Church Sunday”. But, please be assured that you are welcome on *any* Sunday... on the same basis – no strings attached! You are most welcome to come along and just see who we are, what we do..... *and* to ask us why we do it!

*Jackie Collander*  
Lay Minister

## French Twinning

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A possible twinning project is being explored to link our Whitton Benefice with a parish in the Roman Catholic diocese of Evreux in Normandy. The Salisbury diocese is twinned with Evreux and a number of parishes, mostly in Dorset, have links with communities over there. The parish of Notre Dame des Bois consists of sixteen quite small communes with a total population of 10,000 and lies between Rouen and Evreux in rolling countryside. There is a lot of agriculture, some industry and a good deal of commuting to nearby centres and to Paris – pretty much like our neighbourhood.

Peter Ball has been to visit the parish priest there to open negotiations, and a group of about four people hope to come across for the September 13<sup>th</sup> weekend to join in our celebrations of the



1100th anniversary of the first Bishop of Ramsbury. What we need now is a small group representing the different parishes in our team to move things forward. A certain ability to converse in French is a help, as is an interest in learning more about our Christian neighbours across the Channel. If you are attracted by the idea of hosting one of our visitors or joining a party to go over there next year, please get in touch with Peter Ball or one of the other clergy in the team.

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# Cream Tea Afternoon at Tubbs Farm

Thursday September 10 at 2.15 pm

Tubbs Farm, Finches Lane

...by kind permission of Clifford Cowles.

Other attractions - a **Raffle, Cake Stall and Bring & Buy Stall.**

Proceeds are **in aid of Baydon St Nicholas Church Funds.**

Hope you can come for what promises to be an enjoyable,  
social afternoon!

St Nicholas Church Baydon

## Saturday Coffee Mornings

10.30 - 12.00

**Coffee and Chat**

Watch the website for more details  
[www.baydon.org](http://www.baydon.org) and click on 'Church'



## MONDAY COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNINGS

These are proving popular as non-religious chat times.  
Everyone welcome at the Church between 10 a.m.  
until 11.45am on the first Monday of each month

# Heads Up!

## Baydon St. Nicholas CE Primary School Report

The time has just flown by as we have approached the end of yet another academic year. I would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to everyone who has supported us in any way. Many people have either helped out in school, supported fund raising or provided us with Tesco and Sainsbury vouchers. With these we have paid for dance workshops for all children and bought some much needed equipment.

The world of high finance came to school in our money week which gave the children an exciting opportunity to manage their own bank book, spending their money by purchasing different fun activities including story telling, mini disco, nature pictures etc run by Year 6 or saving their money to spend at a later date.

In our fun week KS1 and KS2 children participated in a huge variety of workshops that included: a steel band playing in church, building houses out of Lego, yoga, sport and environment enhancement.

At the end of this term we said a fond farewell to Miss Uzzell, Year 6 and some other children who are leaving us. We wish them all a very successful future.

I sincerely hope everyone has an enjoyable summer and look forward to our new academic year in September.

Best wishes

*Mr R N Chambers* - Headteacher



# Baydon School

## 'Building for the future'

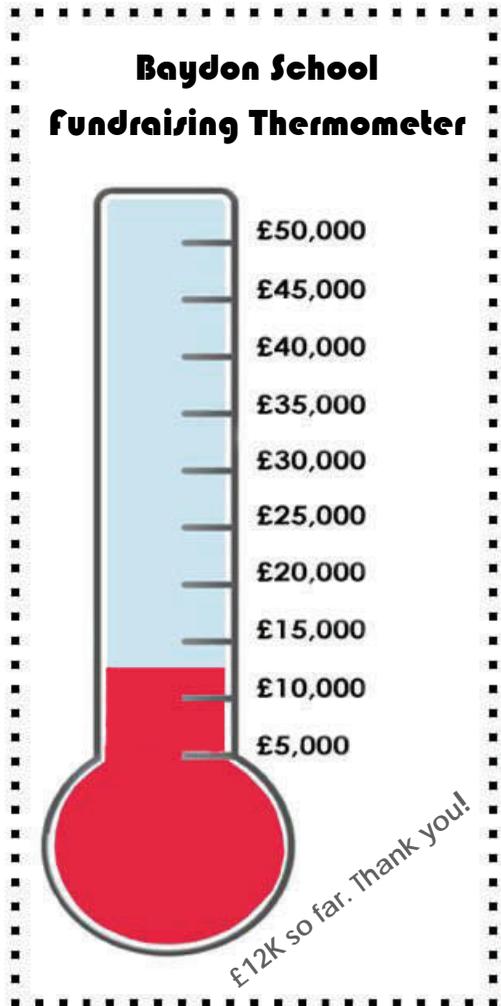
*Baydon St Nicholas School needs to raise around £50,000 to contribute towards the planned improvements.*

We are really appreciative of the wonderful support we are receiving from village community, parents, all school staff, governors and FOBs with our fund raising. In such a short space of time, approximately 5 months, we have raised £12,000, (about 25% of target), from a variety of events and donations. The events have included – a quiz, car wash, May fair, June fete and raffle, and the July barn dance. There have also been smaller but equally important fund raising events like Bags2School, chocolate tombola and a sponsored walk.

Upcoming events are listed on next page

*Please support the school.*

*Your School Needs  
YOU!*



## BARN DANCE WITH AUCTION

A fun-filled evening, well organised by Bryan Harber, a keen member of the Fund Raising Committee, raising a total of £2,439. Well done everyone and a big 'thank you' to Bryan. We were urged to organise another barn dance - "in September" was suggested. Sorry folks, a barn is a barn! But we are so pleased that it was such fun and enjoyment.

We will try to add it to our list for next year.

*Enid*

### Fund Raising Ideas

If you have any fundraising ideas or want to organise an event - please contact Enid Johnson (540408) or Bryan Harber (541267) or use the Ideas Boxes located at the village shop or at the school.

All donations supporting the fund will be most gratefully received and if possible supported by a Gift Aid form which are available from Bryan Harber.

**The events planned so far are listed here - keep a close eye on the notice boards, Village Store and website for more news and events.**

### Baydon St Nicholas School Fundraising Scheme - Events and Activities

Event	Date	Time	Where
Car Wash Tea & Coffees available	September 5	All day	School - book at shop
80's Disco	September 19	19:30	Azuza Nightclub
Bags2School	September 23	By 09:00	School
Race Night	October 10	TBC	School
Classical Concert	October 16	TBC	Church
Christmas Fayre	November 14	PM	School
Quiz Night	November 27	20:00	School

***Keep an eye for posters on the notice boards, at the shop and on the website for other events and activities and for updates***

# Baydon School & Waitrose Supermarket, Marlborough

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For the whole of the month of August the Waitrose supermarket in Marlborough is supporting the Baydon School 'Building for the Future' campaign.

Through their 'Community Matters' programme, Waitrose gives a £1,000.00 every month to local campaigns.



At every visit to the checkout, each customer is given a green token to place in any one of three containers representing local causes. At the end of the month the £1000.00 is divided proportionately to the amount of green tokens in each respective container.

So, lots of visits, lots of tokens.

Therefore should you shop at Waitrose, Marlborough, please support our school fund raising efforts through the green token programme - thank you.

## Treasure Hunt Competition

The Friends of Baydon School are running a Treasure Hunt competition for the children of the school to complete if they wish during the summer holidays. The Treasure Hunt form has been distributed to all children at the end of term. The children should complete and return the Treasure Hunt form to school in a large envelope with their name and class on it by Monday 7th September. Forms are also to be returned enclosed with a £1.00 for entry. A prize will be presented to one winner from each class for the most correct answers. Prizes will be awarded on Friday 11th September. Please note that the Friends will not be able to return all the entry forms after the event. Good luck to all the children that enter.



**Back to School...**

# 80's disco!

*'Boogie the night away' to all your old favourites!*

**Saturday  
19th Sept**

**Azuza Nightclub  
Marlborough**

**7.30pm-late**

**Tickets: £7.50**



**Tickets available from Baydon Village Stores**

**In Aid of Baydon St Nicholas School - 'Building for the Future Fund'**

# Village Says 'Cheerio' to Popular Postman Bob

Postman Pat he was not. He didn't have the nose or the cat. However he did have the red van and knew everyone in the village it seemed. Over the years we all grew to appreciate Postman Bob's genius for mail delivery. Not for him unhelpful little cards with "Collect your parcel from (Insert difficult to get to place) between the hours (insert impossible hours)". No, Bob used that so un-common virtue, common sense and would find someone or a safe place and let you know where it was. Over the years he must have saved the people of Baydon collectively driving halfway round the World to pick up their mail.

And there was his sense of humour. Baydon, although we don't say so in the tourist literature, can be less than lovely when the winter gales bring lashing rain but Bob would turn up as regular as clockwork every day with a cheery word or funny quip to lighten the greyest of days.

So when the inevitable happened and he reached retirement age it was always going to be something of an occasion. The Postman Bob Sneaky Retirement Party Organisation( TPBSRPO) swung into action. There were furtive visits to the Post Office to sign an enormous card and contribute to the collection. Ann Walsh secretly created a painting of Bob outside the Post Office which Tracey Peacock framed and Ann Cunningham made splendid cakes in the shape of his red post van and golf clubs. The Royal Mail, probably sensibly, contributed Dawn, to drive Bob for the last week so that he could say his goodbyes safely!

On Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> the party began and the village went to the pub to say a fond farewell. Food was served, drinks were bought and speeches made. Several times there wasn't a dry eye in the house. Bob's van was decorated with Post It notes each bearing him good wishes for his well earned retirement. When time was called, the party moved outside and took advantage of the post office's smart new awning. The move orchestrated by Debbie who many suspect was the chairman of the TPBSRPO but if we tell you etc... So that was it, the end of an era. We all wish Bob a really happy and long retirement. And thanks to the TPBSRPO for your efforts.





# **Police Surgery – BYPA Hall, Baydon**

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September. from 7pm to 8pm**

*What matters most, or concerns you?  
Our local neighbourhood police need our views*

Please come along to this new police surgery initiative and express and hear comments on local crime and policing issues.

If you would rather not speak out in an open meeting or can not make the event itself, please do make your comments beforehand either by using the police surgery 'comments box' that is set up in the Baydon Village Stores, or send them online via the 'Contact Us' section of the Baydon village website



([www.baydon.org](http://www.baydon.org)) or send them directly to PC Batch on:

Tel. 0845 408 **7000** or e-mail him at:  
**[jeremy.batchelor@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:jeremy.batchelor@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk)**

# Baydon WI News

The June meeting was an open evening when 16 members and 17 visitors attended to hear Susan Howe 'Canter through her funny life'. She gave a very amusing account of experiences she had encountered during her working life as secretary to John Betjamen, a manager of a local hotel and many more.

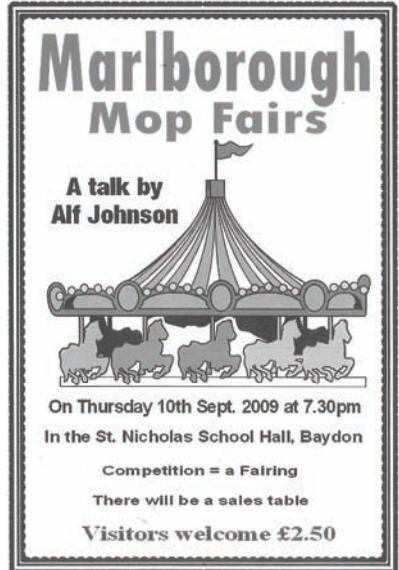
Susan is a 'Blue Badge' guide and had everyone laughing at the bizarre situations she found herself in whilst working. 12 members attended the July meeting in the school hall. The speaker Dinah Starkey from Trowbridge was unable to give her talk on 'Fasts and Feasts' as her car had broken down.

Dr Trevor Tiplady ably filled the spot with illustrated talks on his trips to South Africa and Alaska with only seven hours notice.

Members will be visiting the Wantage Museum in August.

The meeting on September 10th will be a talk by Alf Johnson on the history of the Marlborough Mop Fairs.

Visitors are welcome.



## 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**

## Mobile Library

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

- 🌀 6th August
- 🌀 20th August
- 🌀 3rd September
- 🌀 17th September
- 🌀 1st October

PLEASE NOTE THE NEW TIMES: 10:50 - 11:40

## Recycling

The plastic and cardboard recycling skip will be in Downsmead from 8 am to 10.30 am on 22 Sept

## **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

## **Comment**

*Where anyone can have a rant about (almost) anything that's relevant to Baydon...*

**No room this edition for 'Comment'.. But if you need to make a point or get something off your chest? Had enough? Within reasonable boundaries, let us know what gets your goat. Send to [brydgette@email.com](mailto:brydgette@email.com) or drop at shop**

# Parish Council Corner

## Baydon Parish Council

### Children's Playground Project

At the Parish Assembly held on 24 April 2009 the residents attending were asked for their preferences regarding its location and the age range of children for which the facility should be designed.

At the meeting held on 11 May 2009 the Parish Council confirmed its intention to adopt the preferred choices. Sixty three percent of residents who voted at the Assembly were in favour of the Parish Field. The age range 2 – 13 years was the only suggestion and was generally agreed as the priority for the village.



**As part of the consultation process comments are invited from residents.** Please send them to Mrs E Carmichael, Clerk to the Parish Council, Baydon Cottage, Baydon SN8 2JP or email baydonparishclerk@yahoo.co.uk.

### **Next Parish Council Meetings are:**

**7 September at the BYPA Hall - 8pm**

**19 October at the BYPA Hall - 8pm**

**30 November at the BYPA hall - 8pm**

**All of the Council Minutes and agendas are on Baydon's website and Editor recommends you have a read of Barbara Furber's meeting notes - they make plain English of the meetings!**

*Visit [www.baydon.org](http://www.baydon.org) for up-to-date village news & events, weather and features, Parish Council minutes & agendas*

# A thank you letter from Councillor Chris Humphries

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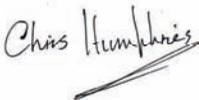
The Editor

22 June 2009

Dear Madam,

May I through your excellent publication thank everyone in the Aldbourne and Ramsbury division of the new Unitary Wiltshire Council who supported me at the recent election. I am honoured and very privileged to be able to represent all the residents of the Division for the next four years. Please be assured that I will work hard to represent you all to the best of my ability.

As the Division is a geographically widespread rural area, it is sometimes not easy for those with problems/issues to come to see me even if I held surgeries on a regular basis. If you need to speak with me and are agreeable, I am happy to visit you at your home or place of work at a time to suit. Please contact me by using any medium detailed below and I will respond as soon as I can.



Chris Humphries  
Member of Wiltshire Council for the Aldbourne and Ramsbury Division  
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# Whoopsie Daisy

So you've come from Membury en route to Cornwall and realise you should have turned right towards J14.

And you get to Baydon and decide to turn back. Bad move. Wrong turning point. Reversing onto the track and avoiding the wheelie bins that are out for collection, you get stuck....



N D Services of Aldbourne appear within half hour and did the business. Quick £££ and then off - no harm done. A certain high standing member of the village (who shall remain nameless in case Editor is turned out of the village with only a stick with a hanky containing a pork pie on the end) helped by saying there was no need to have turned back as the road ahead went to J15.

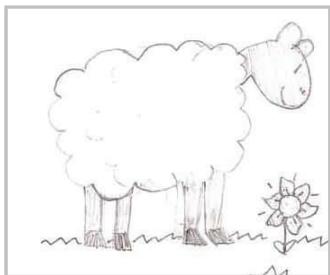
So very sympathetic, don't you think?!



**PLEASE DISPOSE OF YOUR DOG  
POOH AT HOME!**

# Hero Barrie saves Larry!

Things looked grim for Larry the Lamb. He was lot five at the Baydon Summer Barn Dance auction. He didn't mind being offered as a pet but he was also being offered fully jointed and he didn't think that meant anything to do with those funny cigarettes.



Larry, as you may know, is something of a celebrity in the ovine world. Named after the famous cartoon character, his path to stardom skyrocketed when he'd featured on the June cover of Scene in Baydon, beautifully drawn by Lily Silvester aged 10.

Despite exercising his admittedly limited grey cells he couldn't think of a way to escape.

So on Friday evening when it seemed like all of Baydon, dressed in its western finery, began to arrive at Baydon House Farm Larry wasn't hopeful.

After a bit of barn dancing, the auction began. Bryan Harber quickly raised quite a lot of money for the Ferrari drive, a flying experience and a couple of sports matches. Then the auction for Larry began. He started at £50 and people with thoughts of mint sauce soon raised his price to £70. A last minute tussle between two bidders culminated in victory going to Colin Yeo who'd already bought rosemary and garlic. Poor Larry!

But during lot six there was a muttering amongst the crowd and the Save Larry Front was born. A mystery auctioneer commandeered the microphone. He told the audience about how blue Larry's eyes were and how his coat was as fluffy as a cloud and began taking bids. The good people of Baydon didn't desert Larry and the bidding shot up with Larry finally being saved by Barrie Evans who promises Larry a long and happy life, well until next Sunday lunchtime anyway!

The Save Larry campaign would like to offer Barrie its grateful thanks for being such a good sport and his splendidly generous contribution to the school building for the future. Lambs everywhere salute you! Colin will have to make do with one of Larry's siblings...

*Rob*

# **And now for something really scrumptious!..**

Just a simple but delicious recipe that editor uses a lot as a starter or snack because she likes to cheat and spend more time chatting than cooking (hard to believe)! No idea where I pinched it from but it's really worth a go..Our kids call it:

## **Pot of Gold (Baked Brie)**

### **You'll need:**

A 300g brie  
Olive oil  
Salt  
Pepper  
Two sprigs of thyme  
A few pecan nuts  
A little runny honey



- ▶ Heat the oven to 200 ° C/Fan 180 ° C/Gas Mark 6
- ▶ Remove the box and any wrapping from the brie
- ▶ Put the brie in an oven proof dish and make a few cuts in the top
- ▶ Drizzle it with olive oil and season with salt, pepper and the thyme
- ▶ Cover with foil and pop into the oven to bake for around 10 minutes - it might take longer depending on how cold it is, how ripe etc- until it goes gooey in the middle
- ▶ Sprinkle with pecans, drizzle with honey and serve with some warm crusty bread or (if you're feeling healthy) apple slices to dunk

# Baydon Baby & Toddler Fundraising Events

## June Cake Sale

A big thank you to all who supported the June Cake Sale held at St Nicholas School. The Baydon Baby & Toddler group mums and carers provided a fantastic array of goodies, the weather held off (heavy rain forecast) enabling us to set up in the play-ground where business was brisk. We were delighted with the response and particularly enjoyed bringing the under fives up to the school environment.



Mmmmm...delicious

In total we raised over £100 which has been equally split between the Baydon Baby & Toddler Group and the St Nicholas School, Building For the Future Fund.

## June Sponsored Toddle

On Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June a group of mums, carers and toddlers set out for an 'intrepid adventure' around the village. Stopping frequently to watch the wildlife and replenish supplies the group had an enjoyable time walking around the village. This event was very successful and raised over £450 which again will be split between the Baydon Baby & Toddler Group and the School's, Building For the Future Fund.



Gathering by the BYPA Hall ready to toddle

## BAYDON THURSDAY CLUB

Our Mystery Tour on May 21<sup>st</sup> took us through typical English countryside to Prinknash Abbey where a delicious cream tea with scones baked specially for us that afternoon, was waiting. After a stroll around the extensive grounds, we returned home by another scenic route.

On June 17<sup>th</sup> Club members met for an enjoyable supper at the Village Inn in Liddington.

Our speaker on July 2<sup>nd</sup> was George Styles, a Silversmith from Hungerford who gave an extremely interesting talk on the origins of the craft of silver making & had brought along examples from various eras including a very elegant set of contemporary candlesticks which none of us would have been averse to having as a present. He'd also prepared a short Quiz for us-the winner receiving a £25 voucher to spend in his shop.

On Saturday July 11<sup>th</sup>, a Coffee morning was held at Tubb's farm to raise money for Club funds. This was suggested and organised by Clifford Cowells and his family to whom go our very grateful thanks for their wonderful effort, which raised £300 - easily a record, Our thanks go to all those who came - braving the drizzly weather - and to those who provided delicious cakes and goods for sale. We have never had an event so well supported, and we shall look forward to putting the money to good use.

*Peggy Slater*

## Run for it!

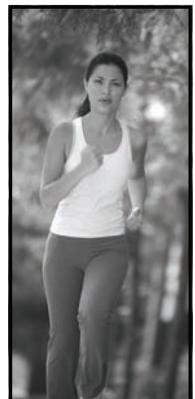
**A Jogging Group has started in Baydon for anyone interested.**

It's for all levels from complete beginners to Marathon distance. Meeting venue and times to be arranged to suit.

Contact either myself, Heather Burch on 07796 300645 or Harriet Knowles 07767 895986.

Or email: [hburch1@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:hburch1@yahoo.co.uk)

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## Opening of new St John's School - delayed

The plan to open the new St John's School in Marlborough has now been delayed until 7th December.

The last school day in the existing buildings will be Tuesday 24th November, when both the Stedman building and the Savernake building will close its doors to students for the final time.

Parents at the school have been informed of the dates and have been told that all students will be asked to work at home from Wed 25th November until Monday 7th December while the mammoth task of packing, moving and unpacking takes place. More information at [www.baydon.org](http://www.baydon.org)

## Thanks!

Many thanks to all the people who worked hard to make the Barn Dance a success and especially the Villagers of Baydon who supported it by inviting their friends and families along, bidding in the Auction and generally having a good time!

With Best Wishes from *Denise Mathewson* and *Bridget Walker* Chair and Vice Chair of Governors of Baydon St Nicholas School

## The Baydon School & Church Fete - June 13<sup>th</sup> 2009

A fun filled afternoon was had by all and the weather was glorious with lots of sunshine. The Tombola and Cake stalls were a great success as were the Coconut Stall, Skittles and 'Guess the Weight of the Cake' game. Pony rides in the paddock kept the children amused while the adults enjoyed the barbecue and bar!

We would like to thank everyone for all their help and support in making this event such a success. We raised a huge £3,100 which is our biggest total ever so a big thank you to everybody for helping us to achieve this excellent result! We had some great raffle prizes this year and would also like to thank the people who donated these as well as those who donated items for the other stalls. We hope that everyone enjoyed themselves and we look forward to seeing you all at next years fete! Make a note in your diary, June 19<sup>th</sup> 2010!

*Tony and Pauline Copp* (Fete Organisers)

# Baydon Village Stores

*Ermin St, Baydon. SN8 2JP . 01672 540266*

**Opening hours: Mon- Fri - 06:30-18:30**

**Saturday - 08:00-18:00**

**Sunday - 09:00-13:00**

**Bank Holidays - 09:00 - 13:00**



- ⊗ We sell **local produce** wherever and whenever possible
- ⊗ We stock **fresh Fruit & Veg, Plants & Flowers, Free Range Eggs**
- ⊗ We bake **fresh organic bread** everyday (Bank Holidays to order only)
- ⊗ We have **Bread & Milk** delivered fresh, six days a week
- ⊗ We bake **hot pies and savouries** every weekday
- ⊗ We stock **Groceries, Chilled and Frozen foods, Soft Drinks, Fruit Juices, Beers, Wines & Spirits**
- ⊗ We are agents for **Swift Dry Cleaners**
- ⊗ We are a Newsagent supplying **National & Local, Daily & Weekly papers**
- ⊗ We carry a wide range of **Magazines**, if we don't carry what you want, we'll be happy to order it for you. Newspapers and Magazines can be reserved on a regular basis
- ⊗ We sell **Toiletries, Cleaning Products, Stationery, Wrapping Paper, Cards** for all occasions, **Toys & Gifts, Coal, Kindling, Gas Bottles, Pet Food, Sandwiches, Crisps & Snacks, Boxes of Chocolates, Tobacco** ..... and more and more!

# **Baydon Post Office**

## **Post Office Opening Hours**

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# Focus On...

*Where we focus on something of interest, someone or a group of folk in the village*

## Pete the (new) Postie

Meet Peter Styles -  
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Pete is 56 and has worked  
as a postie for 7 years but  
hasn't had his own round  
until now...

Some of you may recogn-  
ise Pete - he used to  
cover for Bob when Bob  
was on holiday or poorly  
and he's known Bob for  
around 30 years.



Pete is married with a grown up son who's currently in New Zealand working on a ranch as part of his trip around the globe.

Pete said he's really pleased to have his own round at last and especially pleased that it's Baydon. "Everyone seems so lovely here and Bob gave it a really good write-up! It will be strange for a while doing one round because I have been used to going all over the place but everyone's been so pleasant - I'm getting to know quite a few of the Baydon people and it's great. Bob was a hard act to follow but I'll do my very best!"

When he's not being a postman, Pete likes to dabble in photography and is very involved in organising the social side of the bowls club of which he and Bob are both members.

**Welcome to the village Pete!**

*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](mailto:brydgette@email.com) and one of the Editorial Team will go and talk to them*

## *Bus to Newbury*

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

The bus is actually subsidized by West Berkshire County Council and will visit the "Sheffords" on route if requested. It also travels into Hungerford. It is unclear as to why it also comes to Baydon, but a simple phone call to **0118 975 3070** will ensure you a seat.

It leaves Baydon (end of Downsmead) at 10.40am and leaves Newbury at 1.40pm for the return journey.

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.*



## **Baydon Village Plan**

If you're new to the village, pop into the shop for your personal copy of the Baydon Village Plan which outlines our plans for Baydon over the next 5 yrs.

**And welcome to Baydon!**



## Crofton Pumps up the Action

The volunteers at Crofton pumping station had to swing into action over the first weekend of July to save the canal from drying up after the main electric pump failed. The volunteers rallied around to get the 200 year old steam-fired engines going following a call from British Waterways on the Friday pm.

The modern electric pump near Crofton, which provides water for the highest point of the canal, failed, leaving dozens of boaters unable to use the canal. British Waterways closed the canal as a preventative measure on the Friday & Saturday afternoon. The station which operated on the Saturday, Sunday and Tuesday pumped more than 1.5 million gallons of water a day and consumed about 4 ½ tonnes of coal ensuring that the trapped boaters could continue on their journey.

The engines returned to their normal operating schedule on the 9<sup>th</sup> July with the next in-steam weekend being the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of August.

As an added attraction to the end of August Steaming ( 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup>) Crofton will be hosting a **Vegetable and Flower show**. Also on the Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> a Dakota from the Royal Air Force Battle of Britain Memorial Flight will be flying over Crofton Pumping Station; time to be advised.

## The Giant Sleepover - Wilton Windmill

Thirteen adventurous members of Great Bedwyn Cub Group bravely ignored rumours of hauntings and strange happenings "up at t' mill" to take part in The Giant Sleepover 2009 in aid of the Save The Children Fund. The plan was to sleep inside Wilton Windmill on its isolated spot above the village of Wilton over the night of 20 June.



The group plus helpers arrived at 8pm and toured the mill before having a BBQ supper in the grounds. As darkness fell, the external floodlights came on to spectacularly illuminate the Sleepover site. Every spare bit of floor space inside the mill was covered by sleeping bags with Cubs huddling together for warmth under blankets and eating popcorn to keep up their spirits.

After a night of fitful sleep, the youngsters awoke to the dawn chorus around 5.30, but were persuaded by the group leaders to go back to bed for another hour. Breakfast was then produced – bacon butties and cereal – followed by a game of football, and then home to tell of their adventures.

# Valley Film Society



www.valleyfilmsociety.org

## Season Five (2009/10)

### Tues 6th October Gran Torino (15)

USA/Germany/Australia (2009) 116 mins Director & stars: Clint Eastwood  
*Disgruntled war vet Kowalski (Eastwood) sets out to reform his teenage neighbour who tried to steal Kowalski's prized 1972 Gran Torino. "Eastwood's last film as an actor (his words) is one of his finest works."*

### Tues 3rd November Life is Sweet (15)

UK (1991) 103min Dir: Mike Leigh Stars: Alison Steadman, Jim Broadbent, Claire Skinner, Jane Horrocks  
*An ordinary working class family with twenty-something twins struggle with life & love in this "terrifyingly funny and magnificently performed film"*

### Tues 1st December Local Hero (PG)

UK (1983) 111mins Stars: Burt Lancaster, Peter Calpaldi, Denis Lawson, Jenny Seagrove Dir: Bill Forsyth  
*An American oil company sends a man to Scotland to buy up an entire village where they want to build a refinery. But things don't go as expected in this classic comedy!*

### Tues 5th January Cabaret (15)

US (1972) 124 mins Stars: Liza Minelli, Michael York, Joel Gray. Dir: Bill Fosse  
*Brilliant musical portrayal of life in 1930's Berlin set in the night club atmosphere with the ominous all pervading threat of Nazism.*

### Tues 2nd February The Road Home (U)

China (1999) 89 mins Stars: Matti Pellonpaa Dir: Yimou Zhang  
*Returning home to the funeral of his father and prompted by the grief of his mother, a city man recalls the magical story of how his parents met. "An unforgettable journey into the realm of the heart"*

### Tues 2nd March Murderball (15)

USA (2005) 85 mins Dir: Henry Alex Rubin & Dana Adam Shapiro  
*An inspiring film about paraplegics who play full-contact rugby in Mad Max-style wheelchairs - overcoming unimaginable obstacles to compete in the Athens Paralympics. "Not to be missed!"*

### Sat 27th March Saturday Film Day

3pm BOLT...followed by...5pm SLUMDOG MILLIONAIRE...followed by charity fundraiser buffet

### Tues 6th April Gomorrah (15)

Italy (2006) 137 mins Dir: Matteo Garrone  
*An inside look at Italy's modern-day crime families, this is a contemporary Neapolitan mob drama that exposes Italy's criminal underbelly. "the best gangster movie since City of God"*

### Tues 4th May On Her Majesty's Secret Service (PG)

UK (1966) 142 mins Dir: Peter Hunt Stars: George Lazenby & Diana Rigg

### Tues 1st June Went the Day Well? (PG)

UK (1942) 92 mins Dir: Alberto Calvacanti  
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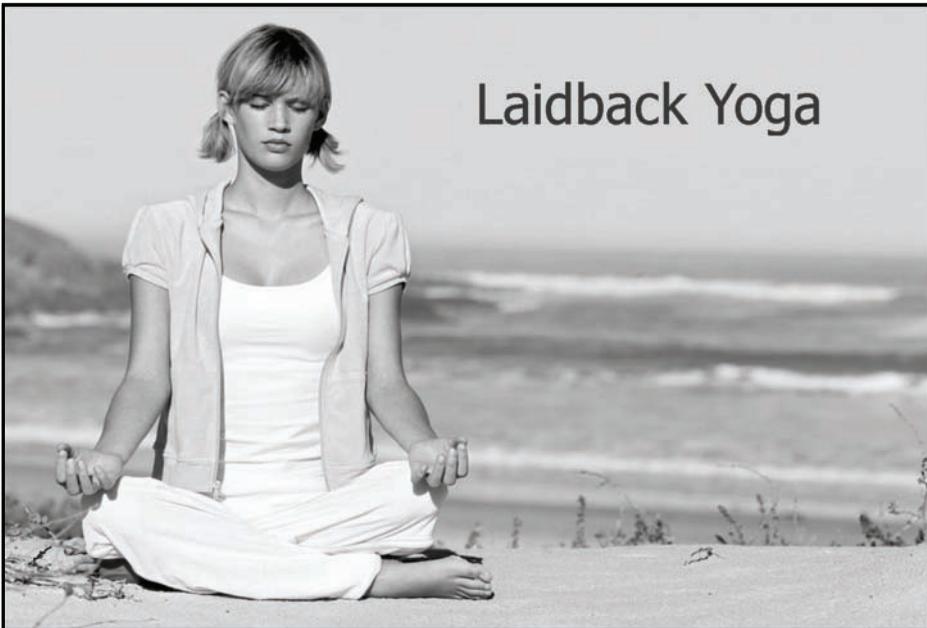
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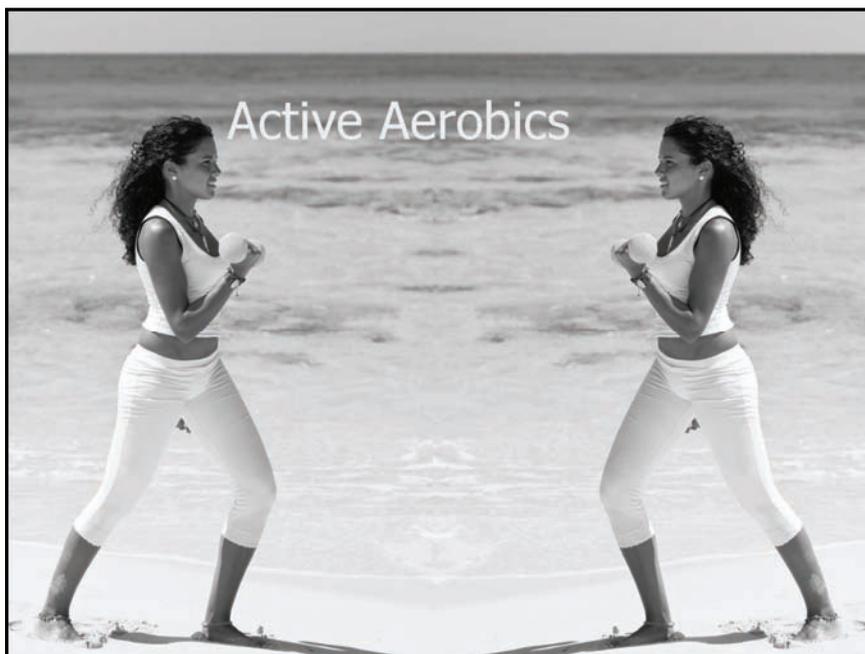
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# What's Going On?

2 August	Church	Family Service & Baptism - 09:30
6 August	Outside School	Mobile Library - 10:50 -11:40
9 August	Church	Holy Communion - 09:30
9 August	Cricket Field	Baydon Cricket Club play Chiseldon
16 August	Church	Morning Prayer - 09:30
20 August	Outside School	Mobile Library - 10:50 -11:40
23 August	Church	Holy Communion - 09:30
1 Sept	School	Baydon School teacher development day
2 Sept	School	Baydon School new term begins
3 Sept	Outside School	Mobile Library - 10:50 -11:40
5 Sept	School	School Fundraising Car Wash - book at shop
6 Sept	Church	Family Service - 09:30
7 Sept	BYPA Hall	Local Police Surgery - 7-8 pm
7 Sept	BYPA Hall	Parish Council Meeting - 8pm
10 Sept	Church	Holy Communion - 09:30
10 Sept	Tubbs Farm	Cream Tea Afternoon - 2.15 pm
10 Sept	School	WI Talk - Marlborough Mop Fairs - 7:30 pm
17 Sept	Outside School	Mobile Library - 10:50 -11:40
19 Sept	Azuza Nightclub	80's Disco - 7:30 pm
20 Sept	Church	Morning Prayer - 09:30
22 Sept	Downsmead	Plastic & Cardboard Recycling - 08:00-10:30
23 Sept	School	Bags2School - by 09:00
27 Sept	Church	Back-To-Church Sunday - 09:30
1 October	Outside School	Mobile Library - 10:50 -11:40
4 October	Church	Harvest Festival - 09:30
10 October	School	Race Night - time TBC

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*And now for this month's brain teaser!*

# **Tree's Company!**

*Courtesy of Colin Phillips  
To which tree does the clue refer?*

1. Burnt to a cinder (3)
2. An old joke (8)
3. Teacher's cane (5)
4. Not me (3)
5. A high flyer (5)
6. Hardy's partner (6)
7. Shore line (5)
8. A sad one (7,6)
9. A girl's name (5)
10. Bright red (6)
11. Has sweet sap (5)
12. Sailor's heart (3)
13. A twosome (4)
14. It bears a crown (5)
15. Popeye's girlfriend (5)
16. Very smart (6)
17. Temporary heart (8)
18. A lonely Northerner (5,4)
19. Soothes sinuses (10)

*Answers in the next edition*

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**Answers to last edition's quiz - Leading Ladies**

1. Eliza Doolittle 2. Maria 3. Nellie Forbush 4. Anna Leonowens 5. Molly Brown 6. Mary Poppins 7. Levi 8. Deuteronomy 9. Annie Oakley 10. Fanny Brice 11. Gertrude Lawrence 12. Julie Jordan 13. Sadie Thompson 14. Gigi 15. Hoffman 16. Sally Bowles 17. Guinevere 18. Mame 19. Calamity Jane

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