

Please can any copy for the May edition (my penultimate one) of the Ebble be sent to ellen1983sailor@hotmail.co.uk no later than 24th of the month. Anything received after this date cannot be guaranteed to be included. If you would like an email copy of The Ebble instead of a paper one, please could you let me know.

Coronation Events: More details coming next month and through your door!

Alvediston events planned for Sunday and Monday

Coronation Village Celebration - Monday 8 May

We are planning an Open Garden Day in the 3 villages (approximately 10-4) to reflect the King's interest in nature and gardens followed by tea in the village hall. Please let Angelika know if you would like your garden to be included (a-j@thehamiltonfamily.org). More details to follow in the May Ebble but please put this in your diaries now.

Thank you - The Village Hall Committee

EW Village Hall - Are you interested in a paid Caretaker job - a flexible 2 hours a week?

We are looking to recruit a self-employed "Caretaker" for the Village Hall and Pavilion. We would offer £14-15/hour for around 2 hours/week for 40 weeks/year and attend (approx. 5/year) VH Committee meetings. For more information, please call Peter Trickett on 780963. Thank you!

The Alfi Wake Fund- Supporting our community.

Please contact us if you are finding the current cost of living difficult. We have previously been able to help people by making contributions towards the cost of utility bills, logs, heating oil, car repairs, household appliances, driving lessons and so much more. Your request, as always, will remain confidential.

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If any young musicians would like to practise in a church with excellent acoustics St Mary's Alvediston is available. Do please contact Pen Millburn on 01722 780263 to arrange.

Ebbesbourne Wake Parish Council Meeting.

The Parish Council met on 16 March.

Our County Councillor, Nabil Najjar gave us an update from Wiltshire County Council.

Draft minutes of the meeting will be posted on the Parish Council noticeboard and on the website.

The next regular Parish Council meeting will be 8/6/2023 in the village hall at 7.30. Members of the public are welcome to attend. Please let Sarah Cromwell, the Parish Clerk, know if you'd like to come along.

Mugs

A final reminder that the Parish Council are buying special commemorative mugs for all children in the Parish to mark the King's Coronation. If you live in Ebbesbourne Wake and Fifield Bavant and you have children aged 16 or under please let the Sarah Cromwell, the Parish Clerk, have their names so we can make sure no-one misses out. Sarah's phone number is 780558 or email ewfbparishclerk@gmail.com.

Rights of way

From time to time, the Parish Council is contacted about footpaths and bridleways. However, Parish Councils have no responsibility for rights of way.

The duty to maintain the public rights of way network is shared between Wiltshire Council, as the highway authority, and the landowners or occupiers. So report any maintenance issues using [My Wiltshire](http://MyWiltshire), or email rightsofway@wiltshire.gov.uk or telephone: 0300 456 0100.

Alfiwake Fete - 15 July 2023 - SAVE THE DATE!

Dear all, please save the date for our 3-village Fete - the afternoon of 15 July 2023.

Please let Kate Lavan know if you would like to be involved (lavankate@gmail.com) and how you can help. New ideas always welcome!

Thank you - The Village Hall Committee

Alvewake Flower and Vegetable show 2023 SAVE THE DATE!

We are pleased to say that we are planning to hold the annual Flower and Vegetable show on Saturday August 12th, 2023. This traditional event is open to anyone living in the three villages of Alvediston, Fifield Bavant and Ebbesbourne Wake. We hope you will all save the date in your diaries and calendars. We hope the frosts are behind us, spring is bursting, and we can start to plan to grow flowers and vegetables for our exhibits. Some of you may have used the winter months to be creative and this will be an opportunity to share your pictures, photos, and handicrafts. The show is an opportunity for anyone to have a go at entering as we do need exhibits on the tables to make a good show. We would also be delighted for you all to come with friends and neighbours during the afternoon to see the display of exhibits, enjoy refreshments, prize giving and a raffle.

Notes from a church warden – David Walsh.

“ When I leave this place , I feel as if a large part of me were invisible to other people , or as if part of me had stayed at home .Over the years , I have come to see that this is because I always feel the hills , the woods , and the animals of home like a cloak around my shoulders ...the birds singing , the sheep grazing in the fields ... so that it is always a surprise to find myself apparently alone , with just this one solitary body .”

From the Deep Well , Diaries of Pratale Farm , Umbria Etain Addey.

The Crown Inn, Alvediston

Open Wednesday - Saturday 12pm - 2.30 pm and from 6pm for traditional pub food and local ales and cider.

Sunday - 12pm - 3pm for Good Old Fashioned Sunday Roasts

Quiz Night - Wednesday 20th April 7:30pm - Free refreshments, prizes, and this month's jackpot £40

Everybody welcome - proceeds to SSAFA

Date for your diary: The White Horse Morris Dancers will be here on Wednesday 24th May at 8pm

Village Hall Bookings - please contact Fran Rose on ewvillagehall@btinternet.com

Church Flowers and Cleaning:

Alvediston – Bidy Trahair and Pen Milburn.

Ebbesbourne Wake – Team for Easter Day, James and Anna Hayward

Fifield Bavant – Pip Reis

Church Services for April:

2nd April: PALM SUNDAY – 11am – Family Communion – Ebbesbourne Wake – Jenny Taylor.

2nd April: PALM SUNDAY – 5pm – Compline – Fifield Bavant – The Revd Dr Ruth Howlett-Shiplee.

7th April: GOOD FRIDAY - 11am – St John’s Vigil – Alvediston – Lay Led.

9th April: EASTER DAY– 11am – Family Communion – Ebbesbourne Wake – Tony Monds.

23rd April: 3rd Sunday of Easter - 11am – Holy Communion – Alvediston – The Revd Dr Ruth Howlett-Shiplee.

7th May: 5th Sunday of Easter – 10am – Benefice Communion – Ebbesbourne Wake – The Revd Dr Ruth Howlett-Shiplee.

A dedicated supporter of the Stars Appeal who raised hundreds of thousands of pounds has been honoured with a special artwork.

Michael Beck Esq BEM, (Former Fifield resident) who passed away in November 2021, raised over £450,000 during 18 years of fundraising for The Stars Appeal, Salisbury District Hospital’s Charity.

This was through his amazing efforts collecting at the Hospital and across the local community, and taking on dozens of sponsored walks, often accompanied by his wheelbarrow ‘Wally’ and supported by his many friends.

The artwork can be viewed in the main corridor of Salisbury District Hospital, opposite the pharmacy.

SAVE THE DATE! CHALKE VALLEY FETE AND PRODUCE SHOW August 19th 2023

It's nearly time to get those seeds in and get growing for the produce show!

Budding photographers these are the classes for this year.

Young at play

Coronation

Chalke Valley through the lens (close ups)

Are you a local producer or craft person who would like a stall? We attracted over 600 people last year so lots of potential customers!

Please contact me for more information on sara@moss1.me.uk

DESIGN A POSTER

Do you like drawing and colouring? If so, why not have a go at designing a poster for this year's Chalke Valley Fete and Produce Show.

It needs to have a Coronation theme and be bright and cheerful.

Open to the whole family so go on and have a go.

Put on an A4 piece of paper and drop into The Hub or send as a PDF to: Sara@moss1.me.uk by 30th April.

Wiltshire Walks with Julia.

With spring just around the corner, Wiltshire Walks with Julia is looking forward to enjoying the delights of this new season on their walks in the beautiful Wiltshire and Dorset countryside.

I am Julia Tilbury and for the past 12 years I led walks in the Surrey Hills area and now find myself living in the stunning county of Wiltshire.

Last November I started a local walking group, inviting others to join me to explore our wonderful Wiltshire countryside, especially the Vale of Wardour, Cranborne Chase and the Chalke Valley. I was passionate about forming another friendly and sociable group where walkers could make new acquaintances, share experiences and have a feeling of belonging to something that makes them feel good. I wanted walkers to feel safety in numbers, improve their health and fitness, be led without the worry of getting lost, engage with nature for the benefits of body mind and soul and have the knowledge that all car parks and routes are recced prior to use for suitability and safety.

We meet on various mornings throughout the week, some weekends also; distances range from 4-7 miles, we usually meet at 9.30 am and I aim to be finished by 12 pm.

Sometimes we will have a cuppa and refreshments at local coffee shops after our walks.

Through spring and summer, I will introduce some evening walks and we'll have walking days out further afield in the summer, into other counties such as Dorset and Somerset, that will include picnic/pub lunches.

I am also planning to start some Wellness walks that will be easy/gentle, 2-4 miles for those needing to build up their fitness/stamina in preparation for joining my longer walks in time.

I am also a fully qualified Nordic walking Instructor and am able to teach the technique if anyone would like to learn; I also intend to have some Nordic walks in the future.

I am First Aid trained and fully insured to lead group walks.

I can be found on , <https://www.facebook.com/wiltshirewalkswithjulia>

If you would like to join my walks, you would be most welcome, please contact me on wiltshirewalks@hotmail.com or on 07837 130100.

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