



The Mosaic

Hinton St Mary

September 2020

From the Editors

Hello and welcome to the September issue of the Mosaic. Whilst Janet needs no introduction, Nigel and Jo are 'newbies' to the village, having moved here in June last year. We love our new home and the friendly pub. The village community is tremendous, and we have really enjoyed the summer fair, the Christmas party and the village coffee mornings. We have appreciated the Mosaic dropping through our letter box each month giving us useful information and interesting articles.

We were therefore pleased to offer, with Janet's help and guidance, to edit the Mosaic following Pauline and John's decision to pass on the baton. We would like to thank both Pauline and John for the help they have given us so far (and the help they may still be required to give)! They will be an extremely hard act to follow. Many thanks also to the distributors who have agreed to carry on and to the new distributors who have come on board.

Please be patient with us as we have never done anything like this before and our computer skills are best described as basic. We would be grateful for any articles you can provide – anything you think would be of interest to villagers. It is your magazine – so please let us know what you would like included. We have been asked to provide a list of traders/workers who can be personally recommended by people in the village. So please let us have the details of anybody who has done a great job for you – electricians, plumbers, gardeners, pest controllers, carpet fitters, builders, roofers, etc. All recommendations welcome.

We hope you enjoy the magazine and we look forward to hearing from you with articles and suggestions. We would like to receive them by the 24th of the month to be included in the next edition.

We are extremely grateful to Mr & Mrs Pitt Rivers for offering to print the magazine at the estate office.

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Mosaic Finances

We are pleased to advise that The Mosaic has been handed over to us in a very healthy financial position. This, together with Mr & Mrs Pitt River's kind offer to print The Mosaic means we will not be asking our existing advertisers or sponsors for any money next year. The Mosaic funds have now been deposited with the St Peter's Church Treasurer to ensure future safekeeping and transparency.



Gina's Village Coffee Mornings – 1st Tuesday of the month. 10.30 Village Hall.

Starting Tuesday 1st September – Everybody welcome.

Parish Council Meeting - 25th August 2020

The Parish Council Meeting took place on 25th August and the minutes will be displayed on the notice board outside The White Horse. The next meeting will take place on 3rd November 2020.



Chris Curtis – Congratulations on achieving 1st Class Honours in your Engineering Degree! Four years of hard work paid off.

Hinton Dig Postponement

David Dunning has forwarded this statement from the British Museum explaining that the dig has had to be postponed for the time being. Unfortunately, this arrived too late to prevent Alice's article in the August edition of The Mosaic – although this still illustrates what is proposed. David expects it will be next August at the earliest before the project can take place as it involves archaeology students from Oxford and Reading Archaeology Departments doing all the work, so it has to be out of term and in reasonable weather.

From: Richard Hobbs BSc PhD FSA
Weston Curator of Roman Britain/Secretary of the Roman Research Trust
'Britain, Europe & Prehistory', The British Museum, London WC1B 3DG

Dear Residents of Hinton St Mary,

This is to let you know that regrettably Peter Guest (my co-director) and I have had to cancel our plans for a fieldwork season at Hinton this year. Ultimately the decision whether or not to proceed had to lie with British Museum management, and the planning group were told in July that they are not prepared to let the project go ahead because of the ongoing uncertainties surrounding the pandemic, ensuring the safety and avoiding risk to both participants and residents of the locality. However, this does not mean that the project is cancelled, but it has been put on hold for the time being. We hope that we will be able to proceed with the evaluation season at a future date when there are fewer uncertainties.

We would like to thank all those involved in dealing with the logistics of the excavation, especially all the local residents who have been hugely helpful over the course of the last few months. We were pretty much 'good to go' and although we are naturally very disappointed that the project won't start up this summer as planned, none of the groundwork that's been laid should be seen as wasted time. Excavations like this rely heavily on the goodwill and support of local residents, and it's been hugely encouraging that there's been so much enthusiasm locally for this project since it was mooted last year.

I will keep the village posted with further developments as and when necessary, and hope for your continued support when a renewed attempt to gain a more nuanced understanding of the archaeological remains at Hinton is possible.



St Peter's Services – September 2020

You are warmly invited to our Services

Date	Service
Sunday 6 th	NO SERVICE AT ST PETER'S Benefice Morning Prayer 11am St Mary's Sturminster Newton
Sunday 13 th	Morning Prayer at 9.30am
Sunday 20 th	Morning Prayer at 9.30am
Sunday 27 th	Holy Communion at 9.30am

COVID-19 precautions are in place to protect the congregation and members of the ministry. Please note that face masks should be worn and social distancing observed at all times.

All queries relating to Church-related support and services should be directed to the Church Wardens

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or

The Rev Philippa Sargent, The Vicarage, Sturminster Newton
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APCM 2020 (Shane Johnstone)

Each year the Church of England requires an annual election of Churchwardens, members and other officers including Secretary and Treasurer which is held during the Parochial Church Council, ("PCC") Annual Meeting, (APCM), usually scheduled for April. This year, Covid-19 safety considerations delayed the APCM which will now be held at 10.30am, at St Peter's Church on Sunday 4th October. Notices for the APCM and (Parish) Electoral Roll Review have been placed on notice boards by the Church gate and inside the Church Porch.

Members of the Church Electoral Roll are entitled to attend, and are welcome at, PCC meetings and participate in the election of Churchwardens and members and officers of the PCC. The Electoral Role is open to new members who are elected at the APCM. Nomination forms are available in the Church Porch or from the current PCC Secretary, Mrs Shane Johnstone and should be completed and returned to Robin Gibbs by the 19th of September.

This year a number of long serving members of the PCC are retiring so new members are urgently required. If you would like to be involved in the management of the Church and would like more information about the roles and obligations of being a Churchwarden, member or officer of the PCC, please contact Robin Gibbs, Churchwarden on 471493.

Village Hall News Letter August 2020 (Chris Hardiman, Chairman)

Village Hall Re-opening.

As from 25th August the Hall main function room and toilets only, will be made available for general use, limited to numbers gathering as per Government Covid-19 Restriction.

Owing to covid-19 cleaning requirements (72hrs between bookings) at the time of printing this Newsletter, we will only accept 1 booking per week. This will maintain your safety and the safety of our Cleaners who are volunteers, as we cannot afford to pay for commercial cleaners.

Covid-19 Signage will be in Place with Risk Assessment documents for all to read.

On entry to the Village Hall hands must be cleaned with sanitizers and you must sign in. Your host will keep a record of all entering and in the event you develop Covid-19 symptoms within 7 days of your visit to these premises you must use the **Test, Track and Trace System** and inform your meeting host.

Tables and Chairs have been set out (Chair positions marked on the Floor) and are required to remain in the Main Hall and NOT RETURNED to the storeroom. (making easy to clean)

We hope you all fully understand the NEW requirements set in place and please contact Chris Andrews to make your bookings 473107

All very welcome so please return to the VH.

Village Hall Improvements and Repairs.

At the V H Committee meeting 24th Oct 2019, it was agreed that together with the donations from St Peters Church, Village Coffee mornings, profits from the Village Show and Village Hall funds we would carry out various repairs and improvements.

Owing to Covid-19 lock down, income generated this year has been very much reduced (nil since February) therefore we have limited our spending. All Ladies and Gents WC's have been restored and renewed as found needed, Gents basin taps renewed, New Instant Water Heater installed to the basin in the lady's toilet. VH notice board by main gate restored.

The Main Hall roadside front window yet to be renewed (now ordered.) However outside Timber cladding and decking repairs completed, redecorating to the exterior woodwork windows etc all complete, only veranda hand-railing redecorations to be completed.

Village Hall Charges 2020. Remain the same Villagers £5 per Hr and Outsiders £6 per Hr.

Many thanks for Supporting the Village Hall and we will continue to look after our Village asset.

Hinton Apple Day (Liz Collins)

Hinton Community Apple Day is set to go ahead on the weekend of 26/27 September! Juicing, bottling and pasteurizing will take place on the Saturday and on Sunday we plan to have some form of social event in the Millennium Garden to taste the juice and have a few apple related activities, but as conditions are liable to change, full details will be distributed nearer the date. For those who expressed interest in trying out cider-making, there will be experts on hand to advise.

As so many village activities have had to be cancelled this year, the hope is that this will provide a chance for us to get together safely outside and also to welcome any newcomers. It will also be an opportunity to discuss future plans for the maintenance of the Millennium Garden.

Meanwhile, it would be great if you could rescue any screw top glass bottles (with tops) from your recycling boxes and save them for us - we can collect if storage is a problem - and get children thinking about a suitable design for a bottle label.

Many thanks to those who have already offered to help - we will be in touch - and if anyone one else would be interested in getting involved please contact either:

Liz Collins: lizcollins50@gmail.com or Shane Johnstone: johnstone.ytc@btinternet.com

Ride & Stride (David Dunning)

Ride & Stride is an annual Dorset event during which sponsors raise money for our own Church of St Peter and the Dorset Historic Churches Trust by supporting riding a bike/horse or walking along the lanes/ byways of Dorset to any number of our historic and interesting churches.

DHCT uses half the money raised (£84,632 in 2019) to fund vital repairs to roofs and windows while the other half is returned to St Peters for its fabric fund, attending to repairs to the ancient heart of our village. DHCT would then consider any request for a grant sympathetically as a proportion of needed funds to carry out these repairs, including the provision of facilities such as kitchenettes heating lavatories so that a church might, if agreed locally, be more usable throughout the week for community activities.

We are planning projects at St Peter's to ensure the building remains safe and serviceable for the future. This includes replacing the Vestry door, repairing the water damaged floor in the Vestry and making provision for safe access to the tower. Your support of Ride & Stride 2020 will bring those projects closer to fruition.

As in previous years David Dunning who assists in leading our Sunday Services once a month will be cycling during the day 12th September, visiting churches in the Frome valley. A full report of this journey will appear hopefully in the October issue with a statement of funds raised. Last year just under £100 was raised on the day. There is a Just giving page for this church at <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/HSM-RideAndStride2020>

Thank you so much for your support from all the trustees of the Dorset Historic Churches Trust and the Churchwardens of St Peter's Church, Hinton St Mary.

The Fragrant Air (Lin Adams 3 White Horse Lane)

The fragrant air of fruit and berries
fills our garden at harvest time.
Damsons ready for the picking,
apples ripening, some are falling
to the ground beneath the trees.

Buddleia sweetness luring bees
to settle on its laden branches.
Roses resting, pausing, blooming,
Flowering mint with marjoram.
Silver birches, ash and hazel
changing daily green to gold,

Scented leaves give hints of Autumn
when still warm earth and dew combine
to cool the sun with perfumed misting
as the garden breathes again.



Recycle Section



Do you have something you no longer use or need? Would you like to sell it or just see it put to good use? Please let us have a brief description and price (if applicable) and we will put it in the following month's Mosaic.

Dell 18" Colour Monitor. Good Condition.	FREE	Janet 472300
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Keep abreast of all things 'HSM' on the village facebook page: **Hinton St Mary Village Group** and the Hinton St Mary Website <http://www.hintonstmary.com/> where all previous copies of *The Mosaic* are also available



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QUICK QUIZ (Answers in next month's Mosaic)

Anagram: Which 8 letter word can you make from tarragon?

Dingbat: ACRIML

Diploid: 1MWTM

Riddle: How can the number four be half of five?