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Hello everyone,

Having put in the hard work on the magazine for many years, John and Elizabeth understandably felt they'd like to have time for other things. As this coincided with me also moving on from my main job, I now have the time to take it on again – or, really, bringing it in a new incarnation, Poulshot News.

My aim in doing the magazine is that by delivering it to every house in the village, we ensure that <u>every member of the village</u> knows what's happening, who to talk to about what, and can join in or not as they wish. Everyone in the village is welcome to contribute items, either to let people know about something coming up or tell us how it went. The email is **poulshotnews@icloud.com**. Keep in touch!

As for me, I've lived in the village for 20 years, raised my son here, and the job I've moved on from was as a reception class teacher. One of the many things I did in my past life was being a journalist, hence my interest in the magazine. I have a cat, share my neighbour's dog and like the odd g and t, one of which is readily at hand as I do the magazine. I hope it (the magazine, not the gin!) helps everyone to feel they know what's happening in Poulshot. Enjoy!

Nína September 2019

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#### **Adverts**

All adverts quarter page. £20 year / part year. Village events publicised for free.

### Village Pub Quiz

7.30 p.m. – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September

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## **Harvest Supper**

Saturday5<sup>th</sup> October in the Village Hall
– all very welcome.

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The Crofton Stokers playing traditional music
and songs. £10 plus bar and raffle.

Tickets from Kate Hunloke on 828333 /
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### **Village Trust events**

5th September – 7.30 p.m. - talk on the Great Bustard on Salisbury Plain – in the Village Hall.

9th September – 7.30 p.m. - full Village Trust meeting in the Village Hall.

21st September – 10 a.m. onwards - Green Gardens clean-up – all volunteers appreciated!

30th October – 7.30 p.m. - talk on Owls, Village Hall.

## Dates for your diary ... events listed here are open to everyone in the village.

#### October

Sat 5<sup>th</sup>

Harvest Supper in the village hall

Sun 6<sup>th</sup>

9.15 a.m.: Holy Communion; 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the ordination of women, Revd Jane Knowles

### Coming up ...

Sun 13<sup>th</sup> Oct

6pm: Harvest Festival, St Peter's Church, Revd Joshva John

Wed 30<sup>th</sup> Oct

7.30pm: talk on owls in the Village Hall

4<sup>th</sup> Nov, 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec – Farmer's Club, 2pm Village Hall

7<sup>th</sup> January, 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 12<sup>th</sup> May PCC Meeting Village Hall

## A magazine for everyone in Poulshot

We are a village of small houses, big houses, grand gardens, handkerchief gardens and allotments. Living in the village are people who work in the home, in farms, schools, as professionals, run their own businesses, are retired, are young, old and everything in between. Just as it has always been. I hope this magazine can reflect our lovely diverse community. Go along to village events and tell us what you thought of them – tell us about what you're doing – share something you feel passionate about (or even just mildly interested! All contributions welcome. The magazine will be put together and printed in the last week of each month, so please let me have any contributions by the 22<sup>nd</sup> of each month.

## POULSHOT VILLAGE HALL

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## Wiltshire Numismatic Society

We meet at The Raven. Our next meeting is on Oct 16<sup>th</sup>, which is our AUTUMN COIN AUCTION, starting to sell from 8pm, viewing from 7pm.

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## Poulshot Friends & Neighbours Summer BBQ

On a perfect Summer's afternoon and evening, 47 members with friends and families, gathered at Townsend Cottage for the PF&N annual Summer BBQ, hosted by Ian and Pam Gillies.

There were delicious servings of sausage and Burgers, preceded by nibbles and Fizz. The food was washed down with plenty of wine and beer and soft drinks for some, including the children. It was rounded off with cheese, and coffee or tea for those who wanted it.

It was a delight to see so many of the Village community enjoying a convivial afternoon and evening together, and it was particularly pleasing that some of the more recent arrivals in the Village were able to attend and meet some of their fellow villagers for the first time. Thanks are due to various people who loaned chairs, tables etc. and for some contributions of food and wine. Overall a most enjoyable event, engendering a great community spirit.

Our next formal event is on October 16<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm when we will be having a whisky talk and tasting in Hunloke Hall (Chapel of Ease) when we will be hosting Worton Ladies Club.

There may be a surprise event in September. We will contact members in due course with more details if we are able to arrange this!

Pam Gillies

# Poulshot Friends and Neighbours Trip to the Winery at Littleton Pannell – 25<sup>th</sup> September.

I have managed to arrange a date for the visit to the Winery in Littleton Pannell - 25th September. Please let me know if you are interested by Tuesday 10th as the vineyard needs to know. The tour has been booked for 2 p.m.

The cost of a tour and tasting is £10, while tour, tasting and nibbles is £18; the tour starts at 2 p.m.

Please email me to let me know if you are interested.

Pam Gillies

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## **Poulshot Friends & Neighbours**

The Friends and Neighbours group seeks to be as inclusive as possible and anybody who wishes to join will be very welcome. Subscriptions are £10 per person, or £15 per couple payable in January. The club tries to put together, each year, an interesting programme of talks, lunches and visits to places of interest.

Pam Gillies

## Poulshot people

Over future issues of the magazine we hope to write about people in the village. Sometimes it will be because they play an active part in village life, so it'll be helpful for us all to know who they are. And sometimes it'll be because they have interesting stories or experiences to share. If you would like to contribute something about someone in the village – please do!

### Poulshot people - Malcolm Nixon

Last month, the village said goodbye to Malcolm Nixon, who died in July. Malcolm contributed greatly to the village in many different ways over his long life here, and is much missed. His family have sent the following message.

Tim, Penny, and Trudy Nixon would like to thank all of you for your support and messages of comfort that they have received.

It has been a time of sadness but also of gratitude. Living in Poulshot Village, you are never far from a friendly face who greets you with kindness. This is something that was cherished by Malcolm and Marlene. Poulshot was more than just a home, neighbours were more than friends.

Both the church and the crematorium were full of friends. Your generous donations to the charities meant that the British Heart Foundation and Dorothy House both received £435. RUH and Salisbury hospital both received £600. These donations to such wonderful causes were incredibly well received. Thank you.

# Poulshot People – Steve Housby Blood Bikes What's it all about? We may be having the ride of your life

I have been involved on and off with Blood Bikes for about 5 years - first with a Southampton based group called SERV Wessex and now with Freewheelers EVS centred on Bristol. This covers an area from Taunton to Devizes, sub divided into three areas, we live in the "East Patch".

Both groups are part of a nationwide network of volunteer motorcyclists who together comprise the National Association of Blood Bikes, NABB.

It all started about 50 years ago and has steadily grown into a well organised, out of hours, courier service for the NHS, saving hundreds of thousands of pounds a year, that might otherwise be spent on taxis and private couriers, for each hospital trust area.

So, what do we carry? We often pick up samples from doctors' surgeries or hospital wards and take them to the path labs at The RUH or Bristol. We take pharmaceuticals directly to wards and sometimes homes. Anti D, is common. (It's something given to prevent rhesus disease in pregnant women and new born babies. I hope no doctors are reading this!).

Surprisingly we often carry human breast milk from the Milk Bank in Bristol for mums who are unable to breast feed. And of course, blood. We also have an agreement with the Air Ambulance at Filton and Semington to deliver plasma each day and return any unused blood product to Bristol for recycling.

How do we do it? It is important to understand that this is an out of hours service. We operate between 7pm and 7am during the week and from 7pm on a Friday through to 7am on Monday morning. A volunteer will either be a rider or a co-ordinator. The latter will have 4 riders under her or his control and will be the point of contact for the hospital trust and in turn, allocate duties to riders. A rider will cover Monday to Friday or a weekend.

A typical duty for me as a rider might go like this:

I pick up a rather nice BMW I200RT or Yamaha FJR I300 in advance of my shift. The last BMW that I rode was two years old and had covered just over 90,000 miles. The shift starts at 7pm and I have never had to wait more than 20 mins for my first call. Unless a very urgent job is assigned, I will wait until I have at least three and then set out with an efficient journey plan in my head. This will probably change as another hospital will call in.

Because I live in the East Patch, I will often visit hospitals and surgeries at Trowbridge, Frome, Shepton Mallet, Paulton, Chippenham and various hospitals within Bath. Curiously, I have never been called to Devizes. With a special bag for samples filled, I will head for the Path Lab at the RUH. There is of course paperwork at both ends of the journey. The Path Lab may well have goodies to send out. If not, the Pharmacy will. A blood container is too large for a motorcycle pannier and so that goes onto a purpose made rack at the back of the bike.

Why do we do it? Because most of the time it is fun. Of course, it is nice to know that NHS (and sometimes private) patients are benefitting. The receptionists, nursing staff, scientists and doctors that I meet are interesting. The vast majority of other road users are extremely courteous and helpful. A motorbike is great for cutting through traffic but further assistance from drivers is always gratefully accepted.

I hope we make a difference. I believe that we often do. If a patient can be treated more quickly because of our service, he or she will obviously benefit. Hospital beds may well be freed up earlier than if the patient was forced to wait.

Anybody can help. You can donate. You could become a fundraiser. You could be a rider (subject to certain qualifications). Or you could be the cornerstone of the operation as a co-ordinator.

People in Poulshot have been very supportive. Thank you. For more information please visit

http://www.freewheelers.org.uk or http://www.bloodbikes.org.uk

And remember; "We may be having the ride of your life"

Steve Housby

#### Farmer's Club

We are a retired mixed group who meet from September through to April. Our title does not really portray us. As a group we all have agricultural connections but at our meetings we cover all sorts of topics & local interest. We meet once a month on Monday's 2/30pm, in the Village Hall and anyone is welcome to join us.

Sept 2nd. - The Lighter side of life — with Susan Marshfield.

Sept 30<sup>th</sup> - One Foot in Paradise -Bob Rogers.

4th Nov - Love on the Nile - Linda Dowsett

2nd Dec - Bobby Van Trust - Wiltshire Police.

6th Jan - Wiltshire Farm Foods

3rd Feb - My Life with Shires - Mike Horler

2cnd Mar - Caen Hill Countryside Centre

6th Apr - Visit to Air Ambulance Centre, Semington.

**Christabel Francis** 

#### **Poulshot Cricket Club**

As we approach the last of our season and bask in England's roller coaster of fortunes, season 2018-19 has been a good one for PCC.

Although our win to loss ratio is still inversely proportional to our positive attitude and ale drinking ability, our little club has grown its membership once more to c50 players of all ages, skills and waistlines!

Joking aside, we now field competitive teams and our losses have been close and competitive. The support of the village across all ages and demographics is fabulous to see as are the ever-increasing requests for matches from visiting teams far and wide.

Our tour to the IOW went off without arrest and the presence of cricket on the Green has stimulated the interest of young members of the community who, under the tutelage of Potterne CC, are representing the county at their age group.

Now concluding our third season, I think it's fair to say that Poulshot Cricket Club is in rude health and has surpassed our lofty aims at the inception of the Club after a 20 year absence.

Our inherited gang mowers which have served us well - but are now on their last of last legs - need replacing, and this will be the focus of our fund raising for the 2020 season.

To conclude, it's an honour and pleasure to be the Chairman of this little Club and watch it's positive impact on our lovely village irrespective of the quality of the cricket played!! Thanks to the many for all their help and support in the on and off season and here's to 2020!

Declan Gaule, Chairman, Poulshot Cricket Club

#### The Village Trust

The Village Trust and members aim to

- preserve, protect and improve the natural amenities in Poulshot.
- Encourage and lobby for high standards of planning and architecture in the village and its surroundings
- and generally to maintain those parts of Poulshot we all use and love.

Full Village Trust Meetings take place in the Village Hall every two months with the Executives meeting in between. If you are interested in attending meetings or events, please do join the Village Trust - annual membership is £10 for a family, £5 individual membership.

### Examples of what we do:

- teams of volunteers get together to clean out the ponds on the Green and a bi-annual tidy up of Green Gardens.
- We run talks on wild-life, various events such as dawn chorus, lambing, natural art workshops for children, instructive walks round the village and its surroundings and lots of other things, all with the aim of educating people about our lovely village.

Watch out for dates of forthcoming meetings and events which will be published in this magazine.

Caroline Morrison.

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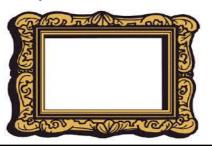
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