

*Poulshot News No. 4
December 2019*



**Wishing you
peace, joy and love
for Christmas and always.**

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! The magazine is put together by Nina Jeffries, and delivered by volunteers in the village. All contributions welcome. The magazine is put together and printed in the last week of each month, so please email contributions to poulshotnews@icloud.com by the 22nd of each month.

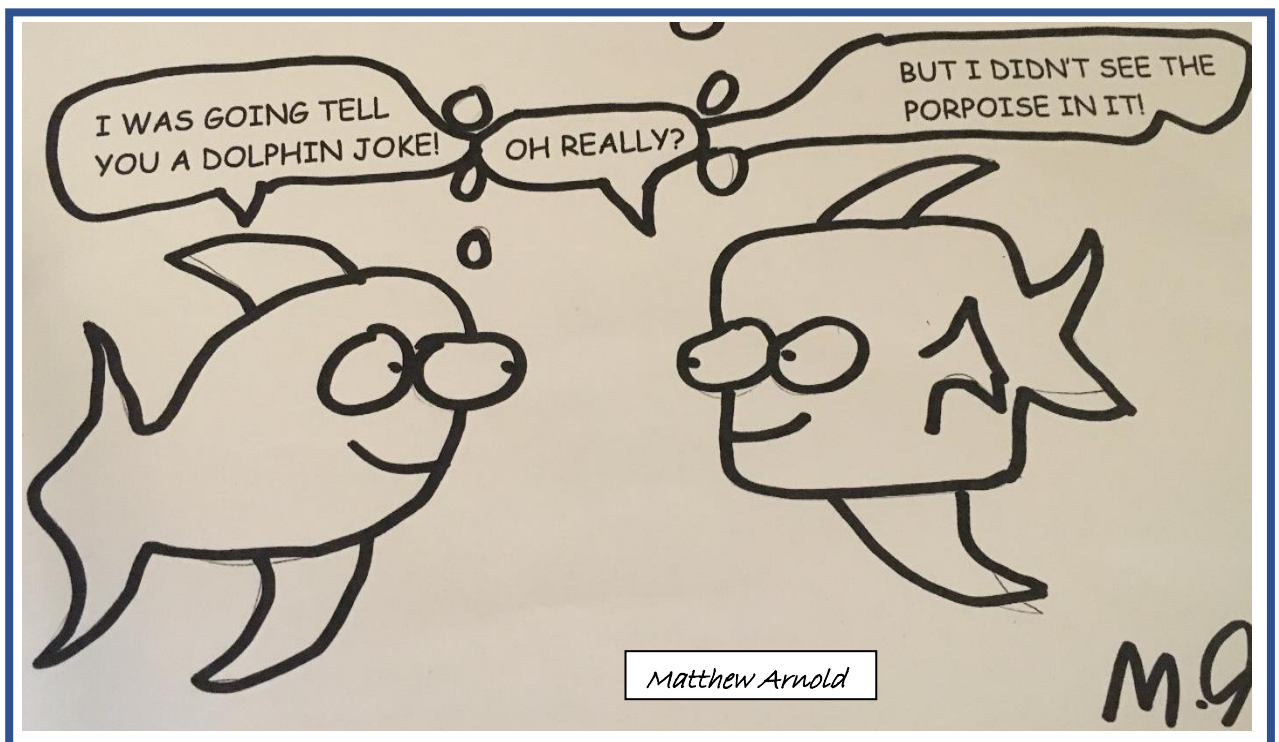
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Dates for the diary - December
1 st – Advent Service at St Peter’s Poulshot, 6p.m.
2 nd -Farmer’s Club, 2pm Village Hall
Fri 6 th – Italian Night, Old Rectory Hall, 7 p.m.
Sat 7 th – Natural Art Workshop for children aged 6 – 11; 10 – 11.30 a.m.in the village Hall
Sat 7 th Christmas Wreath Making, Village Hall 12–5p.m.
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Sun 8 th – Film Night at The Raven, 6.30 p.m.
Sun 8 th - Evensong 6 p.m. – St Peter’s Poulshot
Tues10 th – Poulshot Friends and Neighbours Christmas Party, The Raven
Fri 13 – 15 th - Festival of Cribs, Bulkington Church
Sun 15 th – Holy Communion – 11 a.m. – St Peter’s Poulshot – Revd Ali Bridewell
Tues17 th – older resident’s Christmas party Village Hall
Sun 22 nd – Matins – 9.15 a.m. – St Peter’s Poulshot
Tues 24 th – Carol Service – 6 p.m. – St Peter’s Poulshot – Revd Joshva John
Wed 25 th – Family Communion – 9.15 a.m. – St Peter’s Poulshot = Revd Joshva John
26 th Dec – Village Trust Boxing Day walk
Sun 29 th – Benefice Service – 10 a.m. – Worton
2020
7 th January, 3 rd March, 12 th May PCC Meeting Village Hall
The Lackham Vintage Society Vintage Vehicle Gathering on WEDNESDAY 17th JUNE 2020 on The Poulshot Village Green from 6pm onwards.

Village Trust Calendar

POULSHOT VILLAGE TRUST 2020 CALENDAR

1 calendar - £12.50 / 2 calendars - £23 / 3 calendars - £31.50 /
4 calendars - £40 / more than 4 - £10 each

The Village Trust has made this calendar from the phone photo competition contributions (back in the summer) and more contributions from people in the village since then. It's not just any old calendar – it is special to Poulshot, and all of us who live here. We have a great selection of views, scenes, flowers, dogs, people in the village. Thanks to Jim Nichols for putting the whole thing together. As a Village Trust, we need to cover our costs and make a small profit. Enough sales blurb – please buy one – or more, if you are in a generous mood!

To buy, ring or email VT Secretary, Caroline Morison on
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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. 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. Watch out for dates of forthcoming meetings and events which will be published in this magazine.
Caroline Morison.

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 828251 /iansgillies@gmail.com

Village Trust Events

Natural Art Workshop for children aged 6 - 11
Dec 7th 2019. 10-11.30am in the **Village Hall**.

Led by experienced local artist, Jean Perrett. The aim is for children to go out, find and bring along sticks, leaves, lichen and bark to paint or make into things such as a model garden or insects. Some of these items will be provided along with paints, paper, brushes. Or paint pictures of animals, trees, ponds, fields, lanes, habitats. Bring your children to these free workshops where they can express their artistic talents. Maximum of 12 places available and bookings are on a first come first served basis.

To book a place and obtain Consent Form to sign and return or bring with them, please contact Village Trust Secretary, Caroline Morison on acwm.mfh12@gmail.com or download details from Facebook.

The Boxing Day Walk will start at 10.30 a.m. from the Village Hall and finish at 1200 at The Raven. We will not be using any stiles so it will be a lot safer and easier.

See you there and if you don't want to walk ...see you at The Raven!

Owl and Raptor talk

Major Nigel Lewis kindly came out of retirement to talk to the Village Trust, on 30 October, about his 40 years running the Owl and Raptor Group on Salisbury Plain.

Over those years he has erected over a thousand boxes across Wiltshire, 400 of which are on Salisbury Plain. Two of his Barn Owl boxes are actually in Poulshot.

Nigel provided us with not only a fantastic talk but also a brilliant slide show packed with stunning photographs of Hawks, Barn Owls, Tawney Owls and Little Owls. He and his small team spend much time throughout the county either repairing old boxes but also building and erecting new boxes. They have done much to look after the numbers of these beautiful birds which had seen some decline over the years due to climate change and changes in farming techniques. Long may their efforts continue.

It made us realise how lucky we are to have so many owls in and around Poulshot.

If you would like to know more about the Poulshot Village Trust please contact Tim Jalland, Caroline Morison or Ray Josey.

Tim Jalland

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Christmas Parties

The Christmas Party for the **Friends and Neighbours** takes place at the **Raven on 10th December** at 7pm for 7.30pm. Names to Pam Gillies ASAP. Once your name is given, a menu will be sent for you to choose something delicious to eat! We will be doing the usual Secret Santa!

The Christmas Party for the older residents of the Village takes place in the **Village Hall on Tuesday 17th December** 7 for 7.30. We have decided that the age of attendance should now rise to 65 or over. There may be some who will not receive the normal invitation this year! We are sorry but numbers in the '3rd age' in the village are increasing and the size of the Village Hall isn't, so very sorry but your time will come!!

Kate Hunloke

Christmas Trees

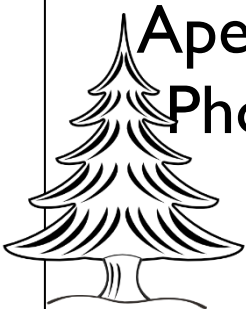
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Italian Night

7 p.m. Friday 6th December

The Old Rectory Hall

The PEGgies invite you to an Italian Night in the Old Rectory Hall on Friday 6th December. Great food, music and wonderful company, all for £5 / per person. Bring your own liquid refreshments! To book tickets please contact Denise on 827010, Mandy on 828464 or me (nina) through the magazine, poulshotnews@icloud.com. We need to know by 1st December so we can make sure we cook enough for everyone – do let us know if you are vegetarian.



PEGgies

The **P**oulshot **E**ntertainment **G**roup is a group of women in the village who organise social events to bring us all together. All events are open to everyone in the village, families and friends. If you have an idea for a village event, do contact Denise on 827010, Mandy on 828464 or me (Nina) through the magazine, poulshotnews@icloud.com.

Poulshot Little Bonfire

Due to the storm like weather conditions forecast for Saturday, for safety it was decided to postpone until the Sunday. While there was rain brewing on the horizon this did not stop the support of the hardy group of supporters, all wrapped up, keeping warm around the fire pit with a hot dog and mulled wine.

Due to the amount raised last year, this (completely-self funding) display was the biggest to date. It certainly seemed to go down well with the audience. Thank you to all those who donated via the bucket, bought a hotdog or mulled wine. All profits go towards next year's display.

A massive thank you to Poulshot Lodge Farm shop who donated the delicious sausages. A thank you to Nick church, Tim Jalland , Jon Weeden and the father and son fire-starter team Tim and Joe nixon. Without these volunteers there would be no Poulshot Little Bonfire and the display more puff than bang. Another annual function that brings our little village together.

Penny Nixon

VICTORY IN EUROPE DAY - VE Day 75th Anniversary 8 May 2020

Poulshot plans to be part of those celebrations. Please put the date in your diary so that you can take part. More detail will follow in due course. *Tim Jalland*

Poulshot Friends and Neighbours

No news from Poulshot Friends and Neighbours this month as it is so near to all of the Christmas celebrations, a bit of a breather before the rush begins!.But just a reminder that our Christmas party at the Raven is on the 10th December. Time is 7.00 for 7.30. Secret Santa from each person please (£3 to £10). Please can you make sure that Pam has your menu by the 4th December (828151).

The AGM will take place on the 22nd January, venue to be arranged.

Pam Gillies

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to this special event.

Pastoral letter from Revd Ali Bridewell

I expect many of you will have seen those stickers that some people have in the back of their cars which say “A dog is for life, not just for Christmas.” Of course, that’s an appeal for people to really think about whether the pet they are considering giving as a gift can really be looked after in the long term. That may not be quite such a crucial question for lots of the other gifts that we receive. How many of you can remember what you had for Christmas last year? How much notice do we really take of the gifts we receive?

We have been reminded by the advertisers and shops that Christmas is coming almost as soon as the summer holidays were over. Sadly though, as soon as the twelve days of Christmas actually start, the advertisers and shops are then encouraging us to forget about it as quickly as possible. The decorations come down, the sales begin and almost immediately the displays for Valentine’s Day are up. We are encouraged to move on really quickly to the next thing and put it all behind us for another year. But why would we want to get it over with and move on, when what we’re actually celebrating is the most wonderful news ever?!

The Christmas story is about the most wonderful gift that any of us could ever receive and the truth is that Christmas is for life and not just for Christmas. The birth of Jesus Christ, which is what we celebrate at Christmas, has meaning all year round, because Christ is for life, not just for Christmas.

The fact that God came down to earth in the Lord Jesus Christ changed everything forever. That’s why Jesus is also known as Emmanuel, because he is “God with us!” It shows us that rather than being a distant creator who now has little or nothing to do with ordinary people like us and cares nothing for all the ups and downs of our lives, our God is right here with us through everything.

God is with us when we mess up; here to comfort us when life is painful; here to give us strength when life is tough; here to rejoice with us when life is great; here to show us how to live life in the way that it was intended for us to live it. God is here to share life with us.

But just like every other gift that we may receive this Christmas, the gift of Christ which God gave to the world, needs to be received by us and taken into our lives, otherwise this time next year we will have forgotten, just like the gifts that we received last year. Christ is the most valuable, life changing gift that any of us will ever receive. Christ is for life and not just for Christmas.

We would love to welcome you to our Christmas services this year, to receive this good news and special gift, and allow God's presence to make a difference in your life.

For details of all our services and other activities
see the Wellsprings Benefice website
<https://www.wellspringsbenefice.co.uk/>

If you've never taken this special Christmas gift seriously perhaps this is the year to do that? If you would like to explore more about life, faith and meaning then why not join our Alpha group that will be starting in the New year.

ADVENT SONGS OF PRAISE

An important date for your diary!!

Advent for the Wellsprings Benefice will begin with a lovely service of Advent carols and readings to be held in St Peter's Church, Poulshot at 6.00 on Sunday, 1st December 2019.

It will be wonderful to begin the new church year and our preparations for Christmas together.

FILM NIGHT AT THE RAVEN
Sunday 8 December 6.30 for 7.00
screening of film.

The film will be a popular *lovely*
Christmas film, *actually* ...

Eve at The Raven is going to prepare a
simple menu for the night.

Please book food directly with The Raven on 828271.

BASKET MEALS

Scampi

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To book for all events:

Phone 818206; via events@mypoulshot.com
or the website www.poulsht.org/village-hall
or Facebook@poulshotvh

Regular events at the Village Hall

Upholstery classes

Tuesday/Wednesday mornings, Wednesday evenings.

Tai Chi 9.30 – 10.30 a.m. Friday mornings

French classes on Thursday mornings

Gong Therapy sessions on Tuesday evenings

Dog training classes on Thursday evenings

Table tennis on Mondays and Friday evenings.

Village Hall 100 Club.

It's our annual sign up time for the 100 club. Join or renew your 100 Club Membership. The Village Hall 100 Club costs £15 per year. Prizes of £25, £15, £10 are drawn each month and a larger £100, £50 and £50 for December.

For those wanting to sign up on Direct Debit we offer three options – [monthly, annually or family \(2 person\) annually.](#) The Christmas Draw is not far away so please sign up or renew for a chance to win big for Christmas. You can pay via the village hall website, or alternatively, talk to one of our members or collectors for more information.

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Bookings:

Jon and Elizabeth Martin - 01380 828206

Email: bookings@mypoulshot.com

100 Club

This raises money for the Village Hall. The draw is made the first Tuesday of each month in The Raven.

Monthly prizes of £25, £15 and £10

Christmas prizes of £100, £50 and £50

Cost is £15 per year,

payable by cash, cheque or direct debit monthly or annually.

Please contact any member of the committee for a membership form.

All Village Hall matters (not bookings) – please contact Sam (Chair) and Giles (Secretary).
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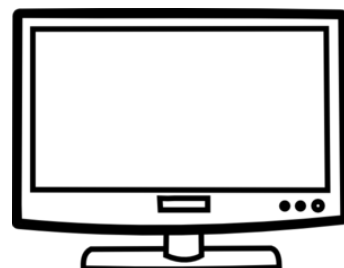


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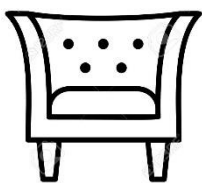
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