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Editorial

Welcome to another bumper edition of your Rowde Village News.

This issue there are all the usual excellent reports and articles from the village's schools, clubs, societies and other organisations of course but there are also several interesting articles in the 'Local News' pages (23 to 30) including the highly successful RowdeFest, Rowde Fete and Rowde Open Gardens along with some super photos in full colour! The photographers were taken by myself and Nicola Wiggans. Thanks Nicola! There's also a wonderful poem all about Rowdefest written by Liz Denby on page 9. And speaking of poems, there's another excellent poem by Alan Pengelly on page 17.

If you are a movie buff then you might like to read Zoe Rucker's latest article on page 21 about the wise words spoken at the end of some iconic films. South Hills Nursery has recently opened in Rowde. You can read about them on pages 28 and 29 and they also have an advert on the opposite page.

Congratulations to our advertising manager Julie Baker on becoming a county champion! Find out more on page 30.

Also good to see some readers' letters coming in again. You can read them on page 30.

Can I welcome Tim d'Estrube to the magazine team. Tim is taking over from Sue Scruse. You can find Tim's contact details on this page.

And with that, can I take this opportunity to thank Sue for all the hard work she has put in to make sure you all had your magazine delivered to your door over the last five years!

Mind how you go, Ed

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Contributors please also note:

The deadline for articles and any changes to advertisements is the 15th of every second month.

Inserts: Due to the extra work created by inserting leaflets into the magazine and the fact that the team is already stretched, we very much regret we are unable to accept requests of this nature except in very special circumstances, when there will be a small charge.

Views expressed in this magazine are those of its contributors. They do not necessarily represent the views of the magazine's editorial team.

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Cover Images

The front cover photograph was taken by the editor at the Rowdefest on 31st May. See pages 23 to 25 for the report and more photos.

The amazing photograph of the Red Arrows on the back cover was taken by our assistant editor Suzan's nephew Ryan. Ryan was a carpenter and a keen motocross rider and some years ago he built a house for his mother on Marsh Lane where the equestrian business is now. A man of many talents!

MONDAY CLUB NEWS

Bromham and Rowde Day Centre for Older People

At Monday Club we've had lots of fun over the last couple of months. This has included some old favourites such as guessing 'What's in the box?', listening to our next selection of Desert Island Discs, moving with Georgie and singing along with Paul and his ukulele. Some new experiences too - a fun exercise session with Hattie Dyke and a calming relaxing session with Sophie McFarlane and her interesting group of instruments.



ROWDE LADIES CLUB

For their June meeting, the members of Rowde Ladies Club had hoped to be able to have an ice cream outside of the Village Hall but the weather was inclement so they had to be inside but still enjoyed the afternoon. Raffle winner was Kay Brock.

We were luckier for the July meeting when we were invited to the home of Rose and Pat Stevens at Poulshot and spent an enjoyable afternoon in their lovely garden drinking tea or coffee and eating the tasty homemade cakes!

The winner of the 'Find the lettered pebbles and make as many five letter or words as possible' was Mrs D Buckland.

The next meeting will be held on August 12th at 2.30pm in the Village Hall. Programme to be arranged. In September it is hoped to visit Studley Grange Garden Centre.

Di Buckland

ROWDE VILLAGE HALL

The AGM was held on June 4th in the Village Hall and it was very encouraging to see several parishioners present.

The Chairman Mr B Cross presided over the meeting and reported on the past year's activities.

The Treasurer Mrs M Burbidge presented the audited Annual Accounts and the Secretary Mrs Buckland reported on the various bookings and groups using the Hall.

The outgoing Committee were re-elected en bloc and four new members were elected to serve on the Committee which was very pleasing.

At the first Committee meeting the Officers were elected:

Chairman: Mr B Cross

Treasurer: Mrs M Burbidge

Secretary: Mrs D Buckland

A Ploughman's Lunch will be held on October 11th (See separate notice).

Di Buckland



Thank you to Lesley Eacopo for a lovely flower arrangement demonstration - we look forward to welcoming you back at Christmas Lesley!

***If you are interested in joining us, please contact:
Carol - 01380 850925 or Cathy - 01380 850555***

ROWDE BOOK CLUB

Meetings are generally held on the fourth Wednesday evening of the month. Contact Ann on 01380 724788 for further info.

BOOK REVIEW

'The Glassmaker' by Tracy Chevalier

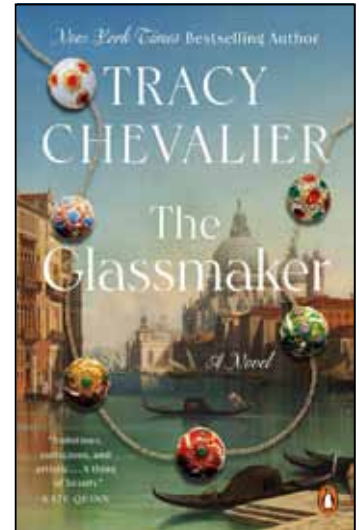
The novel is set in Murano, Venice, a place renowned for its glassmaking. The story begins in 1486, with Orsola's family, the Rossos, being glassmakers.

As a woman, Orsola is not meant to work with glass. However, she secretly learns the craft of glass beadmaking from a woman who has also defied convention. This skill allows her to support her family when her brother, Marco, takes over as the head glassmaker.

The novel explores the Rosso family's history and their connection to glassmaking through the ages. Readers witness their triumphs, losses, and adaptations as they navigate historical events like the plague, wars, and changing trends in the glass market.

The story is told in a unique way, with each chapter skipping ahead in time, showcasing how the Rosso family and Venice itself evolve. It is a simple story about family and includes wonderful descriptions of the countryside and life in Murana, not to mention Venice. It is very well researched and those present at the meeting gave it a rating of 8.5.

Rosie Berry



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The Bereavement Help Point in Devizes is a community based drop-in service where all people who are bereaved are welcome. It's a space to meet and talk with others who may be experiencing similar thoughts and feelings, in an informal and supportive setting. All sessions are free of charge and there is no need to book, just come along.

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ROWDEY COW NEWS



We have had a fantastic start to July with beautiful sunshine and have sold lots of ice cream! The café



has been so vibrant and busy with some great events. The Rowde Fete and the Derry Hill Fete were both so lucky with the hot weather where we attended with our ice cream trailer and trike. The Rowde School Fete was also an amazing event despite the rain and we really enjoyed coming along! We are looking forward to the All Cannings fete, Furlong Close Fete, Calne Bike Meet, Fulltone Festival & Warminster Bubbles over the next few weeks where we are attending with our mobile ice cream units.

We have some gorgeous new baby alpacas who we are training to have head collars put on at the moment. There is also a proud mother peacock walking around the grounds with her chicks.



We had the Slip & Grip Car Meet here yesterday and there was a fantastic selection of cars!

The next one is 10th August – it's free to come along to and so much fun! We had some great Wimbledon Special Milkshakes and Sundaes over the last couple of Weeks and Karen & Lydia are busy creating some more Summer flavours!

Our all day Breakfast on Sundays is continuing to be a great success and our new Summer menu is going down really well!

We would like to welcome Kelly-Anne to our front of house team who has a wealth of hospitality experience and joins our Rowdey Cow team full time!

We have had some work experience students from Lavington School with us over the last couple of weeks who have worked really hard and enjoyed meeting and serving the customers.



We look forward to welcoming Jefferson's mini fair here over the Summer holidays which is fast approaching and we are keeping our fingers crossed the sunny weather will continue throughout August!

We also look forward to welcoming you and thank you for your support!

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NEWS FROM SILVERWOOD SCHOOL - ROWDE CAMPUS

Building Community, Inspiring Learning

Executive Headteacher - Mr Sean McKeown



On Thursday, 10 July, a group of Year 9 and 10 students represented our school at the SEND Athletics competition at Marlborough College. They performed exceptionally well, earning 7 first-place finishes and multiple podium spots. Beyond their results, their behaviour, teamwork, and positive attitude stood out, especially as many were experiencing full athletics track for the first time. Despite only competing with Key Stage 3 and 4 students, our school placed second overall out of seven schools—an impressive achievement in challenging heat.

On Tuesday 15 July, Year 11 pupils from Plane Class became county champions after winning the Wiltshire Cricket Skills Day at Urchfont Cricket Club. Their victory follows six specialist

coaching sessions from Wiltshire Cricket during Term 5. The pupils showed great dedication, teamwork, and skill—congratulations to Plane Class on this fantastic achievement!

Prom 2025: A Night to Remember

Pupils celebrated the end of the school year in style at Prom 2025, a memorable evening filled with music, dancing, and laughter. The event was beautifully decorated and brought together Year 11 pupils for a night of celebration and reflection on their time at school. From elegant outfits to heartfelt and unforgettable moments with friends, Prom 2025 was a fitting send-off for a remarkable year.

Natalie Parker



ROWDEFEST REVELRY

In the heart of Rowde where the fields unfold,
A village comes alive with spirit bold.
Rowdefest rises with song and cheer,
A highlight that draws us year to year.
The bands strike up with beats so bright,
From sunny noon to star-kissed night.
Guitars wail tales and drums proclaim,
That Rowdefest is more than just a name.
Food vans sizzle with tempting delight,
Scents of joy waft into the night.
From burgers stacked to pizza's spiced,
Each bite a memory, richly priced.
The sponsors shine with generous grace,
Their banners waving in every space.
Without their help, this joy, this song,
Would miss the spark that pulls us along.
But hearts beat strongest, pure and true,
In volunteers — the proud, the few.
With open hands and tireless pace,
They give the festival its soul, its face.
And what of the people? The soul of the day -
Dancing, laughing, making hay.
Neighbours, strangers, side by side,
In Rowdefest's warm and wondrous tide.
So raise your glass, let laughter ring,
For Rowdefest is everything —
A village dream, a summer's best,
A local gem that beats in every chest.

By Liz Denbury

The Steppin'Tones

Barndance/Ceilidh Band

We are up to a six piece band based in the Frome and West Wilts area with particular connection to Rowde and Bromham.

Our excellent dance caller can guide you through dances with clear, easy to follow instructions but above all, makes it a fun experience. Don't worry about going wrong - we all do!

We also give people a break by providing songs or tunes between dances, if desired.

If you want to provide your own playlists, please give plenty of notice.

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NEWS FROM ROWDE PRIMARY ACADEMY

Our bright start leads to their bright future

Hello from Rowde C of E Primary Academy! We are at the end of another busy school year which has been a huge success in the school's ongoing development. In this academic year, we had our SIAMS Church School Inspection, and it was confirmed that Rowde is a school where staff, students and parents flourish. Following our secure 'Good' Ofsted judgement last year, I'm so proud of our school and the secure place we're in as we continue to grow.

As one long-standing teacher moves on to new challenges, we're sad to say goodbye to Mrs Helen Alford. She made a huge impact on the school through the last 5 years. However, we are excited for Mr Harry Fowler to join us from Wansdyke, to teach in Year 1, and we are looking forward to continued improvements and even more exciting developments! Using the money raised from Rowdefest (thank you so much for this generous donation) and our own Summer Fete, we have everything we need to make Forest School a huge success and a large part of our provision for everyone at Rowde in September.

If you haven't already, please come and visit and you can keep up to date with everything we're doing on our Facebook page (Rowde C of E Primary Academy - <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61557694571198>) or website (<https://www.rowde.wilts.sch.uk/24/newsletters>).

As always, we enrich our strong, progressive curriculum with lots of events, visits and visitors – only some of which we are able to share here!

Leavers 2025

Of course, at this time, we say goodbye to our Year 6s as they move on to their secondary schools. They've had a brilliant last couple of weeks – having their party (including a water fight), production of 'Who's Your Mummy' (photographed) and leavers service. We have a buddy system at Rowde, where our Year 6 children act as mentors for our children in Reception. They play with them, help them with their learning and look out for them when they're on the playground, but their buddies were sad to see them go and gave them all a special message of thanks. This Year 6 class have made a brilliant contribution to our school, we will miss them greatly and we wish them all the best. They're off to lots of different schools including Stonar, Lavington, Devizes, Kingsbury Green and Silverwood and we know they'll continue to flourish.

Residential Trips



Since I last wrote, we have had two residential trips. This year, our Year 6s went to 'Ultimate Adventure' in North Devon and had a lot of fun trying new things: surfing, ultimate assault course, a very high ropes course, archery and lots more! Our Rowde values were definitely needed to give the children the courage and determination to face their fears and try new things. For the first time in a number of years, we also took our Year 3/4 class to Braeside. They had a brilliant time, with the benefit of not being too far from home, and enjoyed climbing, low ropes, orienteering and lots of forest school activities. As always with residential, I'm never sure if the children or adults have more fun!



Summer Fete

Though it was a wet and rainy day, thank you to anyone from the village who came to support our Summer Fete. There were lots of fun games and delicious refreshments on offer, as well as face-painting, some forest school activities, tombola and a raffle with some amazing prizes. We're really grateful to all the local businesses who donated towards the raffle, thank you for supporting our school. The mobile climbing wall was a huge success and we were amazed by everyone who made it to the top, even in the pouring rain! Next year, our fete will be even bigger and better – we'll let you know when we have a date and then, immediately, try to manifest sunshine and not rain again! We raised just under £2000 which will also support improvements and resourcing across the school.

NEWS FROM ROWDE PRIMARY ACADEMY (cont'd)

Our bright start leads to their bright future



- to launch the event with inclusive football sessions for every class. The children really enjoyed it because it wasn't about competitive matches, but rather skill development and team work. Also during the week, we had our Wiltshire Dance Festival and had 20 children from Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 dance beautifully on the big stage at The Forum in Bath – they danced as 'Rainbow Flamingoes' inspired by the picture book. Finally, on Friday, we had our Sports Day which was another brilliant celebration of the variety of different sports on offer! As well as the races in the afternoon, we also have a large carousel of more inclusive sports and activities for all children – and parents – to try!

Stained glass windows



Birch class trip to the aquarium



This term, our Reception class have been learning through their topic 'Under the Sea'. To enrich all their learning in the classroom, they went on an adventure to Bristol Aquarium. This was their first class trip, with a long and exciting coach journey, and the children came back with so many exciting stories about the different sea creatures they saw and even fed!

National Sports Week



We had lots of great events during National Sports Week this year. On Monday, we were joined by Lee Whitcombe – a local football coach from Melksham

Our youngest children in Reception learnt about 'Special Places' this term in RE. As part of this, they explored places of worship and, when learning about Christian Churches, they observed stained-glass windows and looked for the storytelling and symbolism displayed. To enrich this learning, we were lucky to have Michael Vincent – a glazier and stained glass artist – visit the class to share more about the process, bring some samples and show some of his work. The children learnt even more through this experience.

We are pleased to remain at 5 classes for the next academic year as below:

Reception with Miss Adams

Year 1 with Mr Fowler

Year 2/3 with Mrs Morris

Year 4/5 with Miss Johns

Year 6 with Mr Gray

In September, we'll have approximately 115 children, which continues to be slowly increasing, in spite of the fact that we're losing 27 in Year 6. It's great that word is getting out about the amazing school we are again now! As always, every day at Rowde is an open day and we have spaces in all year groups. If you would like to see us in action, or think you could support in anyway, please get in touch: head@rowde.wilts.sch.uk

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Your Parish Council

The next Parish Council meetings will be on
Wednesdays 20th August, 10th September and
8th October 2025, at 7.30pm in Rowde Village Hall

Everyone is welcome to attend

Please visit the rowdevillage.org website, the Rowde Parish Council Facebook page and the village noticeboards for a full set of minutes and confirmation of forthcoming Parish Council meetings.

If you would like to receive a hard copy of the minutes, please contact the Parish Clerk.

The Parish Clerk can be contacted by email:
rowdeparishcouncil@gmail.com or on: 07752 724096

Parish Council Meetings

The Parish Council last met on 11th June 2025. The scheduled meeting for 9th July 2025 was cancelled. The full minutes for this meeting are available on the website: rowdevillage.org or upon request to the Clerk at rowdeparishcouncil@gmail.com, or 07752 724096.

WILTSHIRE COUNCIL UPDATES

Cllr Laura Mayes was re-elected as the Wiltshire County Councillor for Bromham, Rowde and Roundway in the election in May 2025. There are a few changes in the leadership at Wiltshire Council. Previously, Wiltshire Council was a Conservative run Council. The Liberal Democrats now have a minority leadership team. There is also a new cabinet. Cllr Mayes is now the Chairman of Wiltshire Council.

- Cllr Mayes updated the Parish Council that the T-bar marking requested around the entrance to 6 Bunnies Lane will be completed with other jobs at the end of July 2025. It was reported that the 30mph speed sign has been replaced on Marsh Lane. The Bunnies Lane road sign is due to be replaced in week commencing 12/6/25.
- Cllr Mayes updated the meeting on plans to improve traffic safety on Caen Hill. The plans will be publicly available to view from July 2025. Views will be sought on the proposed changes.
- There was an Open Evening at Silverwood School on 27th June 2025.
- L Wills asked about plans to reduce the speed limit outside of Silverwood School. Cllr Mayes reported that this is still being considered. It was reported that according to the Highways department the junction does not warrant a 30mph speed restriction, as the 30mph stretch would run from St Edith's Marsh, Bromham to beyond Rowde Primary School.
- The condition of the pavement from Rowde to Devizes was raised again with Cllr Mayes. It was noted that a metro counter has been put down on the road just before the bend on Dunkirk Hill. It was noted that this might not be the most effective location to capture speeding vehicles. Cllr Mayes suggested that there needs to be a speed review for the whole area.
- There was a complaint about the new surface repair work on Devizes Road near to the bus stop. Cllr Mayes has reported the poor standard of work.

- There was some discussion about potentially requesting further yellow lines around the village. It was noted though that this might have the effect of pushing parking and traffic issues further around the village.

At the Parish Council meeting, the following items were discussed:

Highways & Footpaths:

- A resident raised concerns about access around the village for wheelchair users. Two additional areas have been highlighted as difficult to navigate: the Hill, and the pavement by the George and Dragon. It was proposed that the Parish Council meet with the resident to discuss the problem areas.
- L Wills attended the Operational Flood Working Group meeting. A landowner on Devizes Road will be asked to fill in the trench that has been dug there.
- The following footpaths have been reported as being overgrown/difficult to navigate: ROWD27: reeds have completely grown over the path. The bridge across a stream to the canal is disappearing. This has been reported to Wiltshire Council again. Wiltshire Council has reported that it does not meet the criteria for intervention.
- ROWD19 bridleway is not accessible due to overgrowth (Wiltshire Council has said that this path is not a priority as it is a dead end).
- ROWD6 from Tanis towards Silverwood School is difficult to navigate due to crop planting (Wiltshire Council has provided an update that they have contacted the landowner).
- ROWD5 and ROWD2 are difficult to navigate due to crop planting. Wiltshire Council has contacted the land agent.
- The Hangings has been strimmed by the Parish Council to ensure the footpath is safe for residents to use. Thank you to Mark Somerville (Cllr) for carrying out this work.

PLANNING

Revision: PL/2025/02799 1 Manor Farm Cottages, High Street, Rowde, Devizes, SN10 2ND. Householder planning permission: Erection of detached carport and two-storey side extension, access and hard standing. The Parish Council had no objections.

For consideration: PL/2025/04729 Plot 1, Berhills Lane, Rowde, Devizes SN10 1SU. Full planning permission. Change of Use to Traveller's Site, Regularisation and Extension of Existing Building as Dwelling. Deadline for comments: 24/7/25

PL/2025/05508 Seven Acre Field, Rowde, Devizes, SN10 2LU:

Removal/variation of conditions; Variation of condition 1 and 2 of PL/2021/09262 to provide a single additional dog exercise session. Deadline for comments: 6/8/25

PL/2025/05792 Marsh Cottage, Marsh Lane, Rowde, Devizes SN10 1RE. Full planning permission: Retrospective planning application for Carport to be used to work on vans to convert to campervans. Deadline for comments: 8/8/25

VILLAGE AMENITIES

A 'Club House' for Rowde

The Parish Council is waiting to hear the outcome of the submitted planning application to site a portable building on the large playing field, for use as a community facility.

Playgrounds

Residents are respectfully reminded not to walk their dogs through the children's play areas in the village or the large playing field. These are areas for everyone to keep healthy and active without the health risks that are associated with dog waste.

There have been reports of football hitting residents' cars in Silverlands Road.

Allotments

- Rollalong, the contractors from Haymeadow Way, have carried out community work to tidy the memorial plot at the allotments. It was proposed that the area should be seeded with grass seed so that the area can be mowed for easier maintenance of the area.
- A question was asked about when further drainage work will be carried out in the allotment car park.
- Part of the fence that borders the allotments with the car park is due to be replaced within the next few weeks.

FINANCE

Monthly invoices

The Parish Council was presented with a bank reconciliation for May 2025 and a schedule of invoices for payment. The total amount for payment was £8,337.77.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & SOCIAL MEDIA

Facebook

There was a post about cars parking on Cock Road, by the Village Hall. Further posts were made on site selections for the Neighbourhood Plan.

Rowdefest update

B Zaccarelli shared a review of the recent Rowdefest event with the Parish Council. It was noted that the new event times, from 1.00pm to 7.00pm, worked well. The Facebook comments and photos were overwhelmingly supportive, including a message from local MP Brian Mathew. The Rowdefest Committee thanked the Parish Council for their support with the event, including for the use of the generator. The Fete Committee are now financially independent of the Parish Council. B Zaccarelli will be stepping down as Chair of the Committee.

The committee held an Open Gardens event on Saturday 28th June 2025.

STAY CONNECTED!

Website at rowdevillage.org

Facebook page: Check out the Parish Council's Facebook page for news and events. Managed by L Wills.

Contacts: The Parish Clerk can be contacted at rowdeparishcouncil@gmail.com, or by telephone: 07752 724096 in office hours. Parish

Councillors can be contacted through the contacts page of this magazine.

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- The 'My Wiltshire' page can be accessed through the Wiltshire Council website at: <https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/mywilts-online-reporting>

CONCERNS

If you have any local concerns about footpaths, hedges, allotments, play facilities, or anything village related, we would like to hear from you. We value your input and suggestions and will try to help.

You can contact us through the Rowde Parish Council Facebook page, or by e-mail: rowdeparishcouncil@gmail.com, or by telephone: 07752 724096.

National Grid

If you have any questions for the VIP project team, or if residents experience any problems with heavy construction vehicles on Conscience Lane please call 0330 134 0051, or email: visualimpact@nationalgrid.com.

POLICE MATTERS

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Parish Council meetings dates can be found in the village diary on page 41 of the magazine.

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Belonging

by Rowde's Alan Pengelly

A story my mother told me, re-written as I remember it.

It was all quiet in the playroom
The house was asleep
When the timid grey rabbit stirred
And whispered to the old bear
Who was propped up against the chair leg
What is belonging?
Is it having arms, legs and eyes?
And having things that move
And buzz around inside you?
The old bear blinked
And thought for a while
Adopted a wise look and replied
My, that's an odd question, and continued
It has nothing to do with
What you are
Or come to that
what you are made of,
It's a thing that just happens
When you are loved
For a long, long time.
That's why things that are fragile
Or have sharp sticky out bits
Don't often get to belong.
The timid grey rabbit
Twitched his whiskers and said
Does it happen all at once?
And does it , does it hurt?
The old bear smiled kindly and said
No it doesn't happen all at once
And any hurt is soon forgotten.
You see, by the time you belong
Your head, arms & legs
Are decidedly loose
Your fur has nearly all been loved off
You'll look a tad shabby
And you'll smell of belonging
But once you belong
None of these things are important
Except to those who don't understand.

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August and September 2025 Worship in Rowde, Bromham and Sandy Lane

Services in St Matthew's, Rowde are in bold

Services in Bromham and Sandy Lane are in *italic*



Date/Time	Service	
August		
Sunday 3rd	(Trinity 7)	
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Rowde
<i>10am</i>	<i>Holy Communion</i>	<i>Bromham</i>
10am	Service of the Word	Rowde
Wednesday 6th		
11am	Holy Communion	Rowde
Sunday 10th	(Trinity 8)	
<i>8am</i>	<i>Holy Communion (BCP)</i>	<i>Sandy Lane</i>
10am	Holy Communion	Rowde
<i>4pm</i>	<i>Evensong</i>	<i>Sandy Lane</i>
Friday 15th		
<i>2pm</i>	<i>VJ Day Service</i>	<i>Bromham</i>
6pm	VJ Day Service	Rowde
Sunday 17th	(Trinity 9)	
<i>10am</i>	<i>Holy Communion</i>	<i>Bromham</i>
Sunday 24th	(Trinity 10)	
<i>8am</i>	<i>Holy Communion (BCP)</i>	<i>Sandy Lane</i>
10am	Holy Communion	Rowde
Sunday 31st	(Trinity 11)	
10am	Holy Communion	Rowde
<i>6pm</i>	Deanery Evensong	Venue TBC
September		
Wednesday 3rd		
11am	Mid-Week Communion	Rowde
Sunday 7th	(Trinity 12)	
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Rowde
<i>10am</i>	<i>Holy Communion</i>	<i>Bromham</i>
10am	Service of the Word	Rowde
Sunday 14th	(Trinity 13)	
<i>8am</i>	<i>Holy Communion (BCP)</i>	<i>Sandy Lane</i>
10am	Holy Communion	Rowde
Sunday 21st	(Trinity 14)	
<i>10am</i>	<i>Holy Communion</i>	<i>Bromham</i>
Sunday 28th	(Trinity 15)	
<i>8am</i>	<i>Holy Communion (BCP)</i>	<i>Sandy Lane</i>
10am	Harvest Holy Communion	Rowde
<i>6pm</i>	<i>Evensong</i>	<i>Bromham</i>

Everyone is very welcome at all our services.

Please visit www.achurchnearyou.com for more information, check our church noticeboards or contact the Benefice Administrator at beneficerowdebromham@gmail.com.

Church Opening Times

Rowde Church: Mon to Sat 10am – 4pm;
Sunday 10am – 4pm or after morning service.
Bromham Church: Daily 9am – 5pm

Sandy Lane Church: Currently closed except for services. Please contact rev.n.fergusson@btinternet.com for more information.

A Message from Rev'd Norma Fergusson

Many, many thanks to Group Captain Neil Meadows for his talks on D-Day and the Battle of Britain in June. They were enjoyable and informative (two things which perhaps don't always go together as often as they might!) and even the church pews did not feel quite so uncomfortable as we listened to what he had to say. In gently debunking some of the myths and misconceptions, Neil reminded us that the truth can be far more interesting, moving and memorable than fiction.

We will continue to remember and honour the stories of those who died in the second world war with a service at 6pm on VJ Day, 15 August, after which our bells will ring out as part of a national commemoration.

Neil's talks marked the beginning of fundraising for a series of works which have been identified by the church architect as being required over the next five years. Adding up the individual estimates takes us to a staggering £250,000 which, needless to say, St Matthew's does not have.

We have divided the work into more manageable phases, the first of which will cost some £15,000. All this, of course, is in addition to the normal costs of running the church and caring for the building and churchyard at a time when costs are rising as much for us as for everybody else. It is probably worth repeating that parish churches receive no financial help from the Diocese or national church – in fact, we make a monthly payment, known as parish share, to them.

If you would like more information, there are notices inside St Matthew's or please speak to one of the PCC. Meanwhile, please watch out for and support our fundraising events: the next will be a concert by the Bath Male Choir on Saturday 8 November. We'll look forward to seeing you there.

Blessings

The Rev'd Norma Fergusson

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Rowde Church Café Tuesday 10:45 – 12pm.

Come and join us for coffee, cake and a chat. Everyone welcome!

Craft, Coffee and Chat at St Matthew's, Rowde Friday 2pm – 4pm

Bring your own craft project or join in our jigsaw. All welcome! No entry fee. Coffee and cake available for a donation.

Growing in Faith Wednesday evening 7:30pm – 9pm on Zoom (fortnightly, term time only). If you are interested in joining, please contact Ruth on ruthbray@outlook.com.

Flower Arranging at Rowde

Please contact Caroline Keevil on ck@carolinekeevil.co.uk or call 07860 148407.

Choir at St Matthew's

We practice from 6pm-7pm on the Fridays prior to a 10am Sunday service. Please contact **Nicola Brown** at nicola_brown@talk21.com or 01380 722406.

Bellringing at St Matthew's

Please contact Michael Cornwell at michael.cornwell@btinternet.com 07388 224129

Open the Book at Rowde

Contact Fran Hall on 07989758412

Photography

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CONTACT US

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During the current vacancy, please contact Helen if you wish to enquire about a baptism, wedding or funeral.

Safeguarding Representative for Rowde:

Michael Cornwell 07388 224129

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www.facebook.com/groups/439328832796693

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If you can't make the service, there will be a box in church where you can drop contributions at a time to suit you (the church is open during the day).

St Matthew's Church, Rowde Musicians wanted!

We have a lovely piano, organ and electric keyboard at St Matthew's, and as a result of advertising in this magazine, we are now lucky enough to have a pianist who plays for one service a month and an organist who plays for the other.

Now we are just looking for someone to play occasionally (perhaps once every few months) to cover holidays or when we have extra services. This would mean acting as accompanist for church services (usually on Sunday mornings) and possibly choir practices (currently on Friday evenings) at St Matthew's Church.

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The Big Little Things In Life!

by Zöe Rucker

Wise words often land at the end of iconic films

We frequently dread endings: leaving school, saying a final goodbye, coming to the end of a holiday or rolling credits of a favourite movie. But the closing lines of some films, in all their emotional fluency, show us that endings can be enlighteners as well as closures.

We rely on the final words to sum up and make sense of what has gone before or, when there is a sequel, to indicate what we can expect. We give these conversations the job of memory markers. Sometimes they are the key parts that we remember. Consider *The Shawshank Redemption* (1994), a film that has cemented itself in many hearts. In its final moments, Morgan Freeman's character, Red, walks free after decades of imprisonment, whispering: "I hope the Pacific is as blue as it has been in my dreams. I hope."



This line doesn't just resolve the story; it redefines it. The film isn't about prison, it's about liberation from fear.

The words are a declaration of hope. A hope that we can relate to. After all, we're a country that queues patiently, grumbles gently and quietly dreams of 'better' – be it a hot summer or simply a decent cup of tea.

Although, not all endings promise comfort. Take *Se7en* (1995), a bleak thriller that should, by all accounts, leave us flattened. But even here, in a world of horror and moral collapse, Morgan Freeman again offers a final thought: "The world is a fine place and worth fighting for. I agree with the second part."

It's a line that feels stoic – a determined whisper against despair.

Endings can also give us dignity. Think of *Gladiator* (2000), where Maximus, mortally wounded, reunites with his murdered family in the afterlife. "I will see you again... but not yet. Not yet."

Here, there's peace, not defeat. A surrender on his own terms. Just as we engage in debates around assisted dying, legacy, and what it means to die well, this line resonates with the fundamental importance of choice.

Meanwhile, *Blade Runner* (1982) gives us perhaps the most poetic final words in science fiction: "All those moments will be lost in time, like tears in rain." The android, Roy Batty's monologue, delivered just before his death, is grateful – not bitter. He accepts the end, in the knowledge that he has lived.



Then there are endings that flip the mood, like the iconic closing of *Casablanca* (1942): "Louis, I think this is the beginning of a beautiful friendship."

After heartbreak, the hero walks into fog with someone new by his side. Not every ending needs to be tidy; some simply pivot us towards new beginnings.



Perhaps, this is why we take so long over our partings from each other – we're allowing our goodbyes to stretch themselves into new chapters, new pastures and new possibilities.

And, finally, sometimes, endings remind us of who we are. In *The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King* (2003), Aragorn, kingly and humble, bows before Frodo and his friends. He says: "You bow to no one."



Cue lump-in-the-throat. It's a scene that speaks to the power of the overlooked. It's a moment that uplifts the underdog and honours the quiet, loyal acts that keep the world turning.

Film endings can affect us not just because they wrap up a story, but maybe because they force us to reflect. Where we might normally reach for humour or understatement, some endings, like these, give us permission to see things a bit differently.

Through their wisdom, the words become ultimate.

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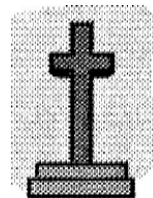
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Local News



ROWDE EVENTS

What a successful year we have had this year. We're incredibly grateful for the continued support from volunteers, the village community, and the Parish Council — none of this would be possible without you!

ROWDEFEST 2025

This was our busiest and most vibrant festival yet! It's clear that this annual celebration continues to bring the community together in a fantastic way, with everyone enjoying the activities, food, and entertainment on offer.





Event Highlights

• Raffle:

Always a crowd favourite, the raffle offered a wide array of exciting prizes.

• Stalls:

A wide range of stalls drew plenty of people. A popular plant stall - thank you to everyone who visited. Children's games stall, creating fun and laughter.

• Food & Drink:

- The Rowdey Cow delighted everyone with their ice cream.
- Pablo and Teo served up their delicious food.
- Woodland Pizza served the community.
- Tea and a tempting selection of cakes were served at the church by volunteers — thank you to all who helped.
- Our bar, run entirely by volunteers, was a success. Thank you to the team who made it happen.

Live Entertainment

We were thrilled to have a fantastic line-up of live entertainment throughout the day, including:

- Jubilee Morris Dancers
- Andrew Hurst
- Talk In Code
- Sarah C Ryan Band – who performed a set of songs.
- Thieves
- Burning The Midnight Oil

Proceeds & Donations

Thanks to everyone's support, this year we were able to raise funds to donate £700 each to:

- Rowde C of E Academy for their new playground equipment.
- The Rowde Village News for their new website.



News



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OPEN GARDENS – JUNE 28th 2025

We were delighted to revive the village tradition of Open Gardens on a very hot June afternoon. Despite the heat, the event was well attended by villagers and visitors alike – including a family who travelled especially from Newbury! (photos above)

Thanks to the generosity of those who opened their gardens and donated delicious homemade cakes, we raised £400, which has been split equally between:

- The Village Hall
- St Matthew's Church

LOOKING AHEAD

- Christmas Tea party for the seniors of the village: We are planning a free Christmas Tea for our elderly residents in mid-December, to be held in the Village Hall. Date to be confirmed.

- Afternoon tea sometime in February/March – this will be repeated after its success last year.

- Rowdefest 2026: Next year's festival will take place on Saturday, May 30th, from 1:00pm to 7:00pm – save the date!

Our contact details:

For any queries or to get involved, you can still contact us at: rowde.events@yahoo.com

SUMMER FETE

Another well attended event took place at Furlong Close on 19th July 2025. See page 30 for the full report and this page for photos.

OPEN STUDIOS (photos below)

A first for Rowde; five artists took part in the Marlborough Open Studios this July and to herald the opening they held a, well attended, Preview Exhibition of a selection of their work at the newly opened Mindtree Café. This exhibition ran throughout July alongside their individual Open Studios. Visitor numbers were slightly down this year due to the heat waves and Wimbledon but overall, visitors did express real interest and made some purchases which made it all worthwhile.



ROYAL BRITISH LEGION AWARDS FOR LOYAL SERVICE AS POPPY COLLECTORS

On Tuesday 17 June 2025 The Devizes branch of the Royal British Legion held an awards evening to honour those individuals who have long service as Poppy Collectors and I very pleased to announce that three of those awarded were to members of the village of Rowde and that they were the three longest serving being awarded that evening.

The first recipient was Di Buckland, who has done the collection in the Springfield Road for 40 years. The image below shows Di being presented with her certificate and 40 years badge by the Mayor of Devizes



Our next recipient was Mrs Maria Smith who has done the Devizes Road Collection for the past 45 years and Maria received her certificate and badge for 45 years. She can be seen in the photo receiving her awards from the Devizes Mayor.



Finally we had Mrs Maureen Burbidge who looked after Marsh Lane at the Canal end of the road and until she retired also co-ordinated the collection at Rowderford school, and Maureen has been doing it for 50 years and in the photo below the Mayor of Devizes is presenting her certificate and 50 years badge.



As the coordinator of the Poppy Collection for Rowde, I cannot thank these ladies and Mrs Christine Holloway, who elected to step back after having done 45 years service, enough and for continuing to collect in Rowde after George and Pat Stevenson, the previous Poppy Collection co-ordinator for the village moved into a retirement home.

It never ceases to amaze me what a small world we live in. After the presentation I discovered that Mrs Maria Smith was the sister of Sgt Miguel Navarro, who served in the Duke of Edinburgh's Royal Regiment (Berkshire and Wiltshire) at the same time that I served. He was recognised as probably the finest 81 mm mortar SNCO in the British Army. Sadly "Spanish" as Sgt Miguel Navarro was affectionately known, passed away in June 2024.

Michael Cornwell

Rowde Poppy Co-ordinator

THE NEW HAYMEADOW WAY DEVELOPMENT

These Wiltshire Council shared ownership homes offer an excellent opportunity for buyers, with a local connection to Rowde, looking to step onto the property ladder. There are two 1-bedroom and two 2-bedroom shared ownership homes being offered on the new Haymeadow Way development. These properties, in a rural setting, offer generous room sizes, separate downstairs cloakroom, own private gardens with patio areas and



allocated parking. Built to 100% NDSS (Nationally Described Space Standard), the homes are net zero in operation, featuring air source heat pumps and highly insulated fabric within the structure. To promote environmental diversity and sustainability, bat and bird boxes are installed on the houses, and EV chargers to encourage the use of electric vehicles. Additionally, PV panels are installed on roofs, offering energy savings. Under a shared ownership, you buy a 'share' of the property on your affordability and pay rent on the remaining share. You can then buy further shares in the property at the market value when this becomes affordable or stay at your current level of ownership. As further shares are purchased, the rent is reduced proportionately. To register your interest and find out more information, please email Rachael Swann: rachael.swann@wiltshire.gov.uk or call Rachael on 07858 818949.



SOUTH HILLS NURSERY OPENS IN ROWDE

We're delighted to share that South Hills Nursery Rowde is opening its doors this Summer, and we couldn't be more thrilled to become part of this vibrant and caring community. Situated within the Rowde C of E Primary School, we are excited to have finally received our Ofsted registration allowing all children aged between 2-5 years to come and experience the awe and wonder of our setting.



At South Hills, we believe that children see magic because they look for it, and that the early years should be filled with curiosity, awe, and wonder. Using our company values of Respect, Nurture, Curiosity and Inspire, our nursery has been thoughtfully designed to inspire exploration, spark imagination, and nurture each child's unique journey. By using the philosophies of Montessori and the Curiosity Approach, the room allows children to lead the way in their own learning by engaging in open ended and thought-provoking activities. Whether it's asking why the clouds move, marvelling at a ladybird's tiny footsteps, or spotting birds in our garden - in our eyes, every question is a doorway to discovery, and every moment is a chance to see the world anew. We are here to celebrate those magical "firsts" that make childhood so special. Learning through play, nature, and meaningful relationships is at



the heart of all we do. We are also passionate about creating strong connections—with children, families, and the wider village. We want to be more than just a nursery; we want to be a place where everyone feels welcome, supported, and involved. From seasonal events and community walks to family stay-and-play sessions, we look forward to growing together with you. Our experienced and nurturing team is ready to offer a warm, safe, and stimulating environment where your children can flourish.

If you'd like to know more or come and see what we're all about, we'd love to welcome you for a visit. You can contact us on 01380 711867 or email us on rowdemanager@southhillsschool.com

Here's to new beginnings and bright futures!

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The Mind Tree Café is a Not-For-Profit community interest company set up with the purpose of promoting mental health and well-being in a variety of ways. Continued support for our community mental health and wellbeing project is vital to ensure that we can keep providing a safe, inclusive, and compassionate space for everyone. Mental health challenges can affect anyone, and having ongoing resources and a supportive environment makes a real difference in people's lives. By sustaining our work, we can continue to offer meaningful activities, emotional support, and a place where people feel heard, valued, and connected. With the community's backing, we can grow stronger together, reduce isolation, and create a positive impact that benefits everyone.

Office Hours

Monday to Thursday 10am to 4pm

Please be aware we may be with a client but will endeavour to answer the door wherever possible.

The Café



Current opening times are Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday – 9.30am to 4pm.

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We have been talking to the GP surgeries and Wiltshire CIL who are both signposting our services.

Upcoming Events and service's

- Affordable Community Acupuncture – Every Thursday morning, 10 am - 1pm To book your space, please visit the website www.everybodyacu.co.uk
- Massage and Aromatherapy with Nalini starting in August – every Thursday, for more information and to book an appointment, please contact - <http://www.naliniwellness.com/> Tel: 07432 404229
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- Women's Circle Wednesday evenings fortnightly with Sarah Nooth-Cooper – Gather and Grace.
- Meditation with Jenny in the Autumn, dates to be arranged.
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- Tuesday Evenings - Yoga, please contact Ginny via email yogawithginny@gmail.com or call 07973 517029
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SUMMER FETE

Another summer has ticked around again along with the return of the annual Summer Fête and Dog Show at Furlong Close!

The residents kindly welcomed us all back again to share a happy afternoon at their home, and a host of visitors enjoyed a veritable mix of activities in the sunshine.

Jade's Dog Show was more popular than ever, with the proud winners parading around the site showing off their rosettes, alongside Chewy the donkey, and pets to see from the Chippenham Pet Shop.

Some very beautiful arts and crafts were on display with glass work by Marion Constance, jewellery by Mark Gibson-Penman, Rutts Lane Ceramics, pyrography by Colin Davies and beautiful craft work from Pauline Davies. Mich and Mike Angell brought along a wide selection of turned wood items, and Alan Watters had some very fine artwork on offer, sitting alongside Tony Larkham with his inspirational books. And then a huge splash of colour from plants brought by Julia Rogers at Willow Cottage Plants - perfect to restore our sunbeaten gardens at home. Sitting alongside were the Wansdyke

Carriage Driving Grouo (RDA), offering information about driving opportunities, and some very delicious cakes to take home.

We were serenaded throughout by the Devizes Town Band and the Devizes Ukuele Band who together put a spring in our step on the way to find a selection of refreshments from Rowdey Cow ice cream, barbecue, tea and cake from Marsh Hall or the Mind Tree Café, washed down with cider from Rutts Lane Cider, and a wonderful selection of jams, marmalades and chutneys to take home courtesy of Carolyn Mallam.

There was the usual opportunity to try your hand with the Beat the Buzz game, the Peg game and Horse Racing game, alongside the uniquely english Splat the Rat, Lucky Dip, and Tin Can Alley. And not forgetting the opportunity to win something special in the raffle! For those on the lookout for something different there was the Bric-a-Brac, the Tombola and a mystery Treasure Hunt, along with a wide selection of books for all ages. Some beautiful works of art emerged from the Face Painting table, and you could try your luck at guessing the number of sweets in the jar and the name of a cuddly rabbit.

A huge thank you to everyone at Furlong Close for making us all so welcome and to those who came in large numbers to support this happy event. I hope you all had a good time and will be back next year! **Trish Gange**

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STUPID JOKES

1. I know a lot of jokes about unemployed people but none of them work.
2. To the person who stole my glasses, "I WILL find you", I have contacts!
3. My decorator is an ex airline pilot, he did a beautiful job on the landing!
4. The guy that invented 'knock knock' has won the No Bell prize!
5. My wife said "I want another baby". I said "thank goodness, I don't like this one either".

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Chippenham Rail Stn	06:55	-	-	10:15	11:05	12:15	13:05	14:15	16:00	16:35	17:30
Chippenham Bus Stn - Bay 8	07:00	08:35	09:35	10:21	11:11	12:21	13:11	14:21	16:08	16:45	17:37
Chippenham, Cemetery	-	08:38	09:38	10:24	11:14	12:24	13:14	14:24	16:11	16:48	17:40
Derry Hill, School	07:09	08:44	09:44	10:30	11:20	12:30	13:20	14:30	16:17	16:54	17:46
Sandy Lane	-	-	-	10:34	-	12:34	-	14:34	-	-	-
Calne, Strand	07:15	08:52	09:52	-	11:26	-	13:26	-	16:26	17:03	17:52
Bromham, Greyhound	07:27	09:06	10:06	10:40	11:40	12:40	13:40	14:40	16:40	17:17	18:02
Rowde, Cross Keys	07:34	09:13	10:13	10:47	11:47	12:47	13:47	14:47	16:47	17:24	18:09
Devizes, Market Place, Bus Island	07:40S	09:18	10:18	10:52	11:52	12:52	13:52	14:52	16:52	17:29	18:14

Weekday	33	33	x33	33	x33	33	x33	33	33	33	33
Devizes, Market Place, Pelican	07:55	09:25	10:25	11:25	12:25	13:25	14:25	15:13S	16:10	17:45	18:15
Rowde, Cross Keys	08:01	09:30	10:30	11:30	12:30	13:30	14:30	15:18R	16:15	17:50	18:20
Bromham, Greyhound	08:10	09:37	10:37	11:37	12:37	13:37	14:37	-	16:22	17:57	18:25A
Chittoe Turn	08:15	09:42	10:42	11:42	12:42	13:42	14:42	-	16:27	18:02	18:29R
Calne Strand	08:27	09:51	-	11:51	-	13:51	-	-	16:36	18:09	18:37R
Sandy Lane	-	-	10:44	-	12:44	-	14:44	-	-	-	-
Derry Hill, School	08:33x	09:57	10:48	11:57	12:48	13:57	14:48	-	16:42	18:14	18:42R
Chippenham, Cemetery	08:39	10:02	10:53	12:02	12:53	14:02	14:53	-	16:47	18:18	18:46R
Chippenham Bus Stn - Bay 3	-	10:07	10:58	12:07	12:58	14:07	14:57	-	16:51	18:21	18:49R
Chippenham Rail Stn	08:50	10:12	11:03	12:12	13:03	14:12	-	-	-	18:25R	18:52R

Key

x = Operates via A4, not Derry Hill village

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R = Request set down only

A = Operates via A342, does not enter Bromham village

No service on Public Holidays

Saturday	33	33	33	33	33	33	33
Chippenham, Rail Stn	07:20	08:40	09:40	11:25	13:25	15:25	17:10
Chippenham Bus Stn - Bay 8	07:24	08:45	09:45	11:32	13:32	15:32	17:16
London Road, Cemetery	07:27	08:48	09:48	11:35	13:35	15:35	17:19
Derry Hill, School	07:33	08:54	09:54	11:41	13:41	15:41	17:25
Calne, Strand	07:39	09:02	10:02	11:49	13:49	15:49	17:31
Bromham, Greyhound	07:51	09:16	10:16	12:03	14:03	16:03	17:43
Rowde, Cross Keys	07:58	09:23	10:23	12:10	14:10	16:10	17:49
Devizes, Market Place, Bus Island	08:03	09:28	10:28	12:15	14:15	16:15	17:54

Saturday	33	33	33	33	33	33	33
Devizes, Market Place, Pelican	08:10	09:35	10:35	12:35	14:35	16:35	17:55
Rowde, Cross Keys	08:15	09:40	10:40	12:40	14:40	16:40	18:00
Bromham, Greyhound	08:21	09:47	10:47	12:47	14:47	16:47	18:07
Calne, Strand	08:32	09:59	11:01	13:01	15:01	17:01	18:19R
Derry Hill, School	08:38	10:05	11:07	13:07	15:07	17:07	18:24R
London Road, Cemetery	08:43	10:10	11:12	13:12	15:12	17:12	18:29R
Chippenham Bus Stn - Bay 3	08:47	10:15	11:17	13:17	15:17	17:17	18:33R
Chippenham, Rail Stn	08:52R	10:20	11:22	13:22	15:22	17:22	18:38R

Sunday	x33	x33	x33	x33	x33
Chippenham, Rail Stn	09:32	11:32	13:32	15:32	17:32
Chippenham Bus Stn - Bay 8	09:37	11:37	13:37	15:37	17:37
London Road, Cemetery	09:40	11:40	13:40	15:40	17:40
Sandy Lane	09:47	11:47	13:47	15:47	17:47
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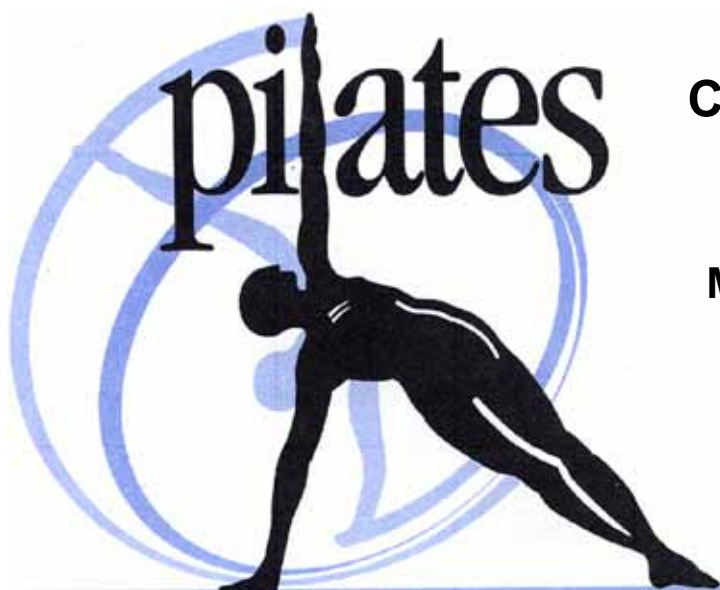
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YOUR PCC PHILIP WILKINSON

PCC says support services are vital to protect children from being exploited into criminal gangs

Children as young as seven are being targeted by organised criminal gangs to transport and sell drugs across the country.

Research done by the Children's Society says young people aged 14-17 are most likely to be targeted by criminal groups but there are reports of seven-year-olds being groomed into county lines, and 4 in 5 parents are worried about county lines in their local area.

Locally, we know there can often be links between county lines, child criminal exploitation and knife carrying amongst young people in Wiltshire, and an understanding of this as well as having the right support services available is crucial in keeping children and young people safe.

Police and Crime Commissioner Philip Wilkinson said: "It is deeply troubling that children as young as seven are being exploited by ruthless criminal gangs. This is not just a policing issue – it's a societal one that demands a joined-up response.

"Through our Serious Violence Duty partnership, we are working to understand the root causes of youth exploitation and violence and invest in long-term solutions that protect our most vulnerable.

"Part of that investment includes commissioning vital drug and alcohol support services which help individuals break free from the cycle of addiction and exploitation, such as Turning Point in Wiltshire, and Change Live Grow in Swindon which are funded by my office and the local authorities.

"This is in addition to the specialist programmes we fund to support vulnerable young people at risk of both committing offences and becoming victim to criminality to divert them away from crime and support and encourage them to make good choices and thrive in their communities.

"Education, early intervention, and wraparound support are essential in preventing young people from being drawn into criminality, and my office remains committed to ensuring children and young people are given the safety, support and opportunity they need to thrive."



Spot the signs

Last year, the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) and Wiltshire Police ran a joint campaign 'Spot the Signs' which aimed to educate young people and their caregivers on how to spot the warning signs of exploitation that may be taking over a young person's life.

The Wiltshire Serious Violence Duty Strategic Needs Assessment (SNA) highlights a 2023 schools survey which demonstrated that only 3% of young people admitted to having carried a knife.

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Other Events

24th August - BBQ & Quiz - page 36

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LETTERS

2025 Eat Nourish Love Autumn Fair

Would it be possible to include this event again in your magazine (either the July/August and or September edition) again? So many of your lovely locals came to the event last year, and some mentioned they had seen it in their local parish magazine, so I'd be really grateful if you could share the details once more.

The Eat Nourish Love (ENL) Autumn Fair 2025 will take place on Tuesday 23rd Noon - 9pm and Wednesday 24th 9.30 am - 4pm September at Tedworth Park, Tidworth (SP9 7AH). Formerly known as the Early, Early Christmas Fair, the event has been updated and expanded — now offering two fabulous days of shopping, delicious food and drink, supper, champagne, and a line-up of nine expert talks from some brilliant speakers.

This year's talks feature well-known names including Millie Mackintosh, Dr Louise Newson, Lucinda Miller, Grace Fodor, Lieutenant General Sir Simon Mayall, Emma Mills and Eve Cameron. Please see the attached flyer with more details.

The fair supports two incredible charities - Walking With The Wounded and Horatio's Garden - and brings together over 120 hand-picked stallholders.

Tickets are just £6 online or £7 on the door. You can book a Talk & Fair Bundle for £22, which includes fair entry across both days and one expert talk of your choice. Additional talks are £16 each. For the evening, we have Champagne & Shop at £12 and Supper & Shop at £26. All online bookings are automatically entered into our free prize draw.

Caroline Cary

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(see pages 46 & 47 for further information)

Rowde Open Gardens

I would like to thank everyone in Rowde who opened up their lovely gardens for us to enjoy. I would also like to thank those involved in organising the event, the ladies at the church and the cake bakers. We were blessed with lovely weather as well.

Sue Scruse

Where Has The Footpath Gone?



On Sunday 13th July, I tried to walk Rowde Footpath number 6 which runs from the Tannis to St Ediths Marsh. As I went through the gate into the field I was confronted with maize growing as tall as me and there was no hope of finding the footpath, or being able to battle my way through it, so that was the end of my planned Sunday afternoon walk before it had even started! Why do land owners think this is acceptable to block public rights of way in this manner?

Michelle Haley

HERE TO TAKE THE LEAD

STRUGGLING TO WALK YOUR DOG?
If you're over 65 or terminally ill,
our volunteers can help!

NEW FRIENDS WAITING!

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Kennet Furniture Refurb

The Furniture and White goods charity.

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Unit 6B, Hopton Industrial Estate,
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PILATES at ROWDE VILLAGE HALL

AGE IS NO BARRIER TO EXERCISE

- Beginners' mat-based class starts on
- **Friday 11th July at 11.35am-12.35pm.** First class £5!
- Block book classes for £8 each or £10 PAYgo
- Please call, text or email to discuss and register
- **07815933383 supplecore@gmail.com**

Strengthening and toning classes to improve your core (tummy muscles!), general muscle strength, posture, flexibility and joint mobility. Realign muscle balance to stabilise the spine and reduce back pain. Give yourself a confidence boost through better body awareness and breathing techniques. Relax, unwind, enjoy!



ACTIVE PLUS



Are you age 60+?

Come and join our friendly exercise class and help maintain/improve your mobility
(Exercises may be done seated or standing)

Mondays
2.30pm – 3.30pm
followed by coffee/tea and a chat at Rowde Village Hall

Cost : £4.00

For more information contact:
Yvonne 01380 723086
yve@thegablesdevizes.co.uk



SPEEDING IN ROWDE

Rowde Community Speed Watch Team & Speed Indicator Device



The Parish Council has a Speed Indicator Device in the village to warn drivers of the speed that they are travelling. This device needs to be moved every 3 months.

If you feel you could help with this task, we would love to hear from you.

Community Speed Watch is another way to tackle speeding motorists to keep our village safe.

Can you spare an hour or so a month to be part of the Community Speed Watch Team? Training will be given.

To get involved, please contact: Cllr Chris Greenwood at

cj_g@me.com or
phone 01380 722466



Lending with Heart and Mind

Wiltshire Council fund a not-for-profit loan scheme for homeowners.*

If you have lived in your home for over 5 years and:

- Are over 60; or
- Are in receipt of State Benefits; or
- Have children under 16 living with you.

You may be eligible for a home improvement loan to keep your home warm, safe, and suitable for your needs.

Lendology CIC work in partnership with Wiltshire Council to deliver the council subsidised loan scheme. Our knowledgeable team of advisers will guide you through the process of applying.

To book a no-obligation assessment, or for more information, visit www.lendology.org.uk or call 01823 461099.

Heatherton Park Studios, Bradford on Tone, Taunton, TA4 1EU

*subject to eligibility

Sudoku (medium this month)

							5	6
				5				
					4	7	1	2
					6			
	4				9		2	1
		7	3	4		8	6	
		5			1		3	
7		1		3	5	2		
3		9		7				

Last Month's Solution

2	1	6	8	9	4	3	7	5
4	5	9	7	3	2	8	6	1
3	8	7	5	1	6	4	9	2
6	2	4	1	7	5	9	8	3
5	3	8	2	4	9	7	1	6
9	7	1	3	6	8	5	2	4
1	4	5	9	2	7	6	3	8
7	6	3	4	8	1	2	5	9
8	9	2	6	5	3	1	4	7

Mini Sudoku (easy this month)

Insert the numbers 1 to 6 in the blank boxes so that each of the six separate areas of the puzzle and each line vertically and horizontally contains each number only once.

	5		6		1
4	6			5	
				2	
	1	4			
6			5		
1			4	3	

Last Month's Mini Sudoku Solution

6	3	4	2	1	5
2	1	5	3	6	4
1	6	2	4	5	3
4	5	3	6	2	1
3	2	1	5	4	6
5	4	6	1	3	2

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Allotments

Please contact Rowde Parish Council

Bell Ringing

Contact Michael Cornwell
on 07388 224129
michael.cornwell@btinternet.com

Charities

Silverwood School Charity Trust
silverwoodcharity@silverwood.
wilts.sch.uk
[https://www.silverwood.wilts.sch.uk/
charity-trust](https://www.silverwood.wilts.sch.uk/charity-trust)
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Church Coordinator

Benefice Administrator:
Sarah Leckie
sarahbromhamandrowde@gmail.com

Church Choir

Contact Nicola Brown:
nicola_brown@talk21.com
01380 722406

Church Wardens - vacant

Doctor

For list of doctors contact the
Health Commission, Pans Lane,
Devizes, Tel: 0300 111 5717

Football

John Dalley, Tel: 727094

Footpaths

Please contact Rowde Parish
Council

Garage

Slades of Devizes Tel: 727755

Hospitals

Devizes Community Hospital
Tel: 723511
Chippenham Community Hospital
Tel: 01249 447100
Trowbridge Community Hospital
Tel: 01225 711300

Ladies Club

Held in Village Hall and meet at
various dates in the month at 2.30pm.
Mrs Di Buckland, Tel: 723049

Local Councils

Wiltshire Council
Tel: 0300 4560100
Devizes Town Council 722160

Neighbourhood Police Team

Jo Newbury Rural Beat Manager
PCSO Georgina Dodd Ring 101
Google devizes npt to contact the
team on
www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk>devizes

Parish Council

Chair - **Lisa Wills**
Tel: **01380 730078**
Clerk - Mrs Rebekah Jeffries
Tel: 07752 724096

Playing Fields

For playing field bookings
please contact the Parish
Council Clerk on 01380 501919
rowdeparishcouncil@gmail.com

Police

Devizes Police Tel: 101

Pubs/Restaurants

George & Dragon, Tel: 723053
Rowdey Cow Cafe, Tel: 829666

Rowde Book Club

Ann Swan, Tel: 01380 724788

Rifle Club

Practice Wednesdays, Matches
Thursdays in Village Hall.
Laurence Plumb, Tel: 728174

Roads/Pavements

'My Wiltshire App or 03004560100

Rowde Court Studios

Ann Swan, Tel: 01380 724788
Alan Watters, Tel: 07886870053

Rowde Village News

Alan Watters, Tel: 01380 724788 or
07886870053 watters.alan@gmail.com

Rowde Village Hall

Enquiries - Tel: 07926952631
Bookings - 722497 (after 6 pm)

Rowde C of E Primary Academy

High Street, Rowde SN10 2ND
Head teacher 723991

Silverwood School

Head Teacher
Tel: 850309

Agincare at Furlong Close

Tel: 721309

Church Flowers

Caroline Keevil
ck@carolinekeevil.co.uk
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TAXI

J Dalley 07592 063789

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Village Hall Thursdays 9.30-11.30

Veterinary Surgeries

Estcourt - Tel: 723687
McQueens - Tel: 728505
The Paddock - Tel: 813202

Website

www.rowdevillage.org
rowdeparishcouncil@gmail.com

Youth Club

Josh Wills
rpc.joshwills@gmail.com

LAURENCE PLUMB

Interior & Exterior
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Free Estimates

Tel: 01380 728174

ENL AUTUMN FAIR (see also opposite page)

SPEAKER EVENTS 2025

TUESDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm

Brilliant Nutrition for Brilliant Brains

LUCINDA MILLER, founder and Clinical Lead of NatureDoc

Sponsored by: Hazlegrove Prep School & King's School, Bruton (King's Bruton Foundation)

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Redefining Beauty: Conversations on Ageing, Confidence & Beauty Stereotypes

GRACE FODOR, founder of Studio 10 in conversation with **ALISON CORK**, lifestyle entrepreneur, author, broadcaster, investor in and champion of women in the economy

3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

The Power of the Pen – What Writing Can Really Do For You!

LIBBLA KELLY, founder of Plenitude Well-being, author of two well-being journals and the program Write To Rise, in conversation with **CAROLINE CARY**, founder of Eat Nourish Love

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Sober Curious: The First Step Toward Better Health

MILLIE MACKINTOSH, author of Bad Drunk: How I Found My Freedom From Alcohol
British reality TV personality, fashion icon, model, author and entrepreneur

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

The House of War: Decoding the Modern Middle East

LIEUTENANT GENERAL SIR SIMON MAYALL, KBE, CB, a distinguished military leader and expert in Middle Eastern history

Sponsored by: Aspire Defence Ltd

WEDNESDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER

10:00 am – 11:00 am

Finding Balance: The Transformative Power of Breathwork And Meditation

EVE CAMERON, yoga teacher, journalist and former Group Beauty Director at Hearst

11:30 am – 12:30 pm

Empowering Yourself and Others Through Fashion

MATTHEW STADLEN, radio and television presenter, producer,
in conversation with **EMMA WILLS**, founder of the eponymous Jermyn Street shirt-making business

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Cooking For Your Gut: A Live Demo of Gut-Nourishing Recipes

CAROLINE WALDEGRAVE, LADY WALDEGRAVE, founding Principal and former Managing Director of Leiths School of Food and Wine and **GEORGIE SOSKIN**, Leiths Chef, Yoga & Reiki practitioner.
Cooking & Rituals to Calm Mind & Body

2:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Fit For Ever: How Do We Live a Long, Happy and Active Life

EMMA McCAFFREY, a dedicated fitness professional,
in conversation with **DR LOUISE NEWSON**, a physician, women's hormone specialist
and member of the UK Government's Menopause Taskforce

CONTACT: info@eatnourishlove.com | 07818 090913

Susie Watson Designs

We are enormously grateful to all the speakers taking part in this year's Eat Nourish Love Autumn Fair and also to Susie Watson Designs for dressing this marquee so beautifully and for partnering with us.
Kindly sponsored by Abbey Event Services

AUTUMN FAIR

Supporting Walking With The Wounded & Horatio's Garden

TUESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2025 12 NOON - 9:00 PM
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