

What's on in Crudwell

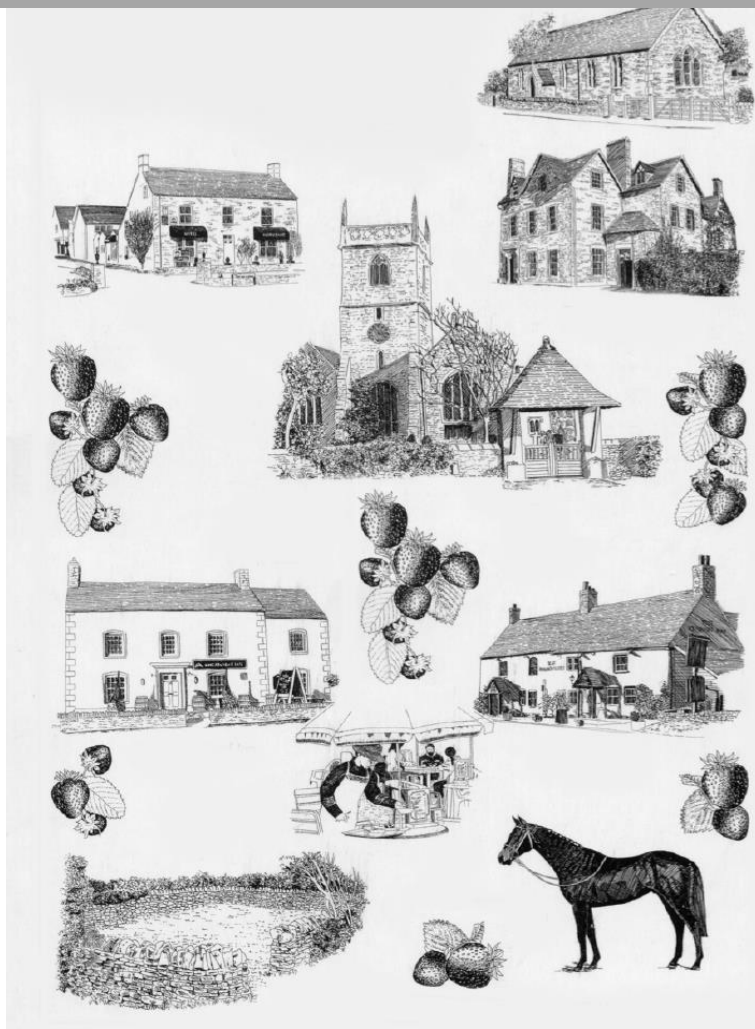
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Diary Dates

3 December – 12-4pm Christmas Fair, Crudwell Primary School
14 December – Coffee and Chat, Crudwell Church 10.30am-12 noon
18 December – Santa Dash, Crudwell Church 10am
24-25 June 2023 – Crudwell Bike Ride



Crudwell School Christmas Fair

CAROL singing and mince pies will be just some of the festive treats on offer at this year's Crudwell Primary School Christmas Fair. The event, organised by the Friends of Crudwell School, will take place on **Saturday 3 December from 12pm-4pm**.

There will be a **wide range of stalls** including Santa's Grotto, jewellery making and a present room as well as **professionally catered food** such as roast pork and stuffing baps, roasted vegetable ciabatta and hot dogs. A bar serving mulled wine and cider will also be available as will classic games, pupil-run stalls and an opportunity for little ones to make some reindeer food in preparation for Christmas Eve. **Raffle tickets** can be purchased in advance at the following link: <https://go.eventgroovefundraising.com/cracker>

Local Services

Post Office Monday and Tuesday 2.00pm - 5.30pm. Collection time 4.50pm. Wednesday 9.00am-12.30pm. Collection time 12.15pm. Contact number 577201.
Mobile Library 11.10-11.45am at the Dawneys, Crudwell on 9 Dec, 6 Jan, 3 Feb.
Defibrillators Village Hall and Wheatsheaf Inn, Crudwell; BT telephone box, Eastcourt
To advertise or promote your event in the magazine, please contact us at crudwellmag@gmail.com. *Best wishes for Christmas and 2023, Jules and Heather*



Please ring 01666 577739 or email tobygregory@aol.com

Christmas at The wheatsheaf 2022 Menu

Available from Wednesday 7th December to Saturday 24th December

Starters:

Crispy crumb scampi with dill mayonnaise	Allergen CRU EGG MUS
Traditional Haggis with white onion sauce	MIL, GLU
Cheese scone Rarebit (v)	GLU, MIL

Main:

Roast turkey with chipolata, stuffing, and cranberry Served with roast potatoes and vegetables	GLU
Sweet potato, spinach, brie, and cranberry parcel (v) Served with roast potatoes and vegetables	MIL
Grilled rump steak with lemon pepper butter Served with roast potatoes and vegetables	MIL
Pan fried salmon with red pepper and chorizo sauce Served with new potatoes and vegetables	FIS MIL

Desserts:

Christmas pudding with brandy sauce	GLU MIL
Raspberry and lemon curd trifle	MIL GLU
Sticky toffee ice cream sundae	MIL, GLU

2 Courses £20.00

3 Courses

£25.00

Allergen Abbreviations: gfo Gluten Free Option

CEL Celery, GLU Gluten, CRU Crustaceans, EGG Eggs, FIS Fish, LUP Lupin, MIL Milk, MOL Molluscs, MUS Mustard, NUT Tree Nuts, PN Peanuts, SS Sesame seeds, SOY Soya, SUL Sulphur dioxide (sulphites)

Crudwell Parish Council and Covid 19 Report

Parish Council

THE Parish Council last met on 18 November in the Village Hall. Minutes of this meeting and for the 18 October meeting will be published on the council website at

<http://www.crudwell-pc.gov.uk/category/agenda/> together with the agenda for the next meeting which will take place at 7pm on Tuesday 20 December in the Village Hall. Public speaking is permitted during the first ten minutes of the meeting and you are, if you wish able to attend. There are currently a few vacancies for Parish Councillors. If you are interested in joining the council then please see the notice at the end of this article and contact our parish clerk at parish.clerk@crudwell-pc.gov.uk.

The Queen's Green Canopy

WE have now received fifteen trees from the Queen's Green Canopy initiative. The trees are quite small and therefore not necessarily suitable for planting in open green space in the village. It was therefore decided to donate the trees to the Primary School for their tree planting initiative.

Christmas Concert

Disappointingly, we have not yet been able to tempt enough local musicians to perform at a concert for this Christmas. If you know of someone who would be willing to perform for us in the evening of the 16th December then please email roy.lambley@gmail.com ASAP.

Covid 19

Clearly Covid has not gone away but the numbers are more encouraging at present, you can check out the current position at <https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk/search?postcode=SN16+9ET>

It is important to continue to stay as safe as possible and to follow advice detailed below from Gov.uk. and guidance as laid out in the Wiltshire Council website at: <https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/public-health-coronavirus> .

Vaccinations:

You can access information on arranging your vaccination at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/> .

Street Leaders

If you need help or support in any way then the my-crudwell.org website supported by the Parish Council has links to our Street Leaders support network and a my-crudwell mailing list to keep you informed of developments. If you do need help, then please contact the organiser, Leon Horton at leon.horton82@gmail.com who will inform your local street leader, please provide your address and phone number. You can join the my-crudwell mailing list www.my-Crudwell.org.

Wiltshire Council

Many other sources of help are also available on Wiltshire Council's website including cost of living support advice which can be found at <https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/article/6665/Council-tax-benefits-and-financial-support> *Peter Gilchriest; Chairman; Crudwell Parish Council*

Crudwell Santa Dash

CRUDWELL Santa Dash is back for 2022 on **Sunday 18 December at 10am**. Participants can run, jog or walk the same fun 5k route around the village raising funds for the Friends of Crudwell School. The event will start at Crudwell Church. Santa suits, Christmas jumpers and/or festive hats are essential and there will be prizes for the best costumes. Adults £3, Children £2. Max £10 per family. *Leon Horton, on behalf of the organising committee*

Become a Parish Councillor

Why become a parish councillor?

You become someone your community will look to for help, guidance and support and a community leader with the power to influence decisions for the benefit of the people you serve. Seeing your community change for the better, due to decisions and activities you are involved in, is something that can provide a sense of achievement and pride!

What decisions do parish councils make?

These include planning matters (as statutory consultees), road safety, crime prevention and neighbourhood watch, managing open spaces including play areas and campaigning for and improving services and facilities. As a councillor, you will be part of the decision making process.

How much time does it take up?

Crudwell Parish Council meets once a month for the council meeting, to which members of the public are also invited, on the third Tuesday of the month. Meetings may last up to two hours, depending on the business for the meeting. In addition to regular meetings, there may be occasions where councillors are required to attend other meetings or events representing the council.

Want to find out more?

The best way to find out more is to talk to a parish councillor and attend a parish council meeting. *For an informal discussion or more information please contact Lisa Dent, Crudwell Parish Clerk on 01285 658172 or 07971 200570 or email: parish.clerk@crudwell-pc.gov.uk*

Neighbourhood Plan

WE BELIEVE that it is extremely important to commence a Neighbourhood Plan Review now. This is because while Wiltshire Council continues to have a land supply deficit, we could again be vulnerable to speculative planning applications for large housing developments, as the protection of our current Plan, made in 2021 could start to become less certain during 2023. The Parish Council has therefore secured additional specific resources to start work on the Review immediately. A full meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group took place on 8 November. At this meeting the following actions were agreed to prepare for a consultation during early 2023: to develop three main topics for the Review which are: Housing Allocation: *To include a call for sites for small self-build or infill.* Business Development: *To include review of requirements for local businesses including Kemble Business Park.* Environment and Community; *To include green spaces and corridors, footpaths, hedgerows, and a community hub or similar.* The 2001 Made Plan reports will be reviewed to confirm existing policies or prepare consultation topics and questions. Public meetings and an exhibition will take place during the consultation. The Plan will retain flexibility in terms of housing allocation to allow for any variation in requirement from the emerging Wiltshire Council local plan.

Following the first public consultation in early in the year we are planning for a formal consultation (called Reg 14 consultation during Q2 2023. Building on the substantial work done on the 2021 Plan we can go more quickly from there than we did then, so our outline timetable is, roughly: Examination – Q1 2024; Referendum/Plan Made – Q2/3 2024

Community Liaison Group, Tuners Lane Development

We will inform you when we have news of the site promotor's progress on the Planning Application which will be subject to the CLG's initial review and approval.

Cllr. Roy Lambley, Chair Crudwell Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Church Services and Activities

All are welcome to attend any of the services across the Benefice.

Date	Services in Church
4 December	9.30am, Friends & Family Dressing the Christmas Tree Service @ Crudwell 9.30am, Holy Communion and Baptism @ Hankerton 6pm, Evening Prayer @ Ashley
11 December	10am, Dressing the Christmas Tree Service @ Charlton 10am, Benefice Holy Communion @ Crudwell 11am, Nativity @ Oaksey 5pm, Carol Service @ Minety
12 December	3.20pm, Christingle Party @ Crudwell (<i>designed for primary aged children, children need to be accompanied by an adult</i>)
18 December	3pm Carol Service with Nativity @ Crudwell 5pm, Carol Service @ Hankerton
24 December	3pm, Family Christmas Service @ Minety 6pm, Carol Service @ Ashley 11.30pm, Midnight Communion @ Crudwell
25 December	9.30am, Christmas Day Communion @ Hankerton, Charlton & Ashley 11am, Christmas Celebration @ Crudwell 11am, Christmas Day Communion @ Minety & Oaksey
1 January	10am, Benefice Holy Communion @ Minety

Monday every other week	10am	Bible Study via Zoom
Tuesday	9am	Morning Prayer Via Zoom
Friday	9am	Morning Prayer Via Zoom

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Greetings from Crudwell Church

DECEMBER is a time when we look towards Christmas. Most people celebrate Christmas. The nativity seems normal, we celebrate a birth; this has occurred since the beginning of time. There doesn't seem to be anything different to normal; yes it occurred in a cave/stable where animals are kept in cold weather, but so might other births. This cave in Bethlehem still exists. It was made into a chapel in the fourth century by Emperor Constantine and now a Basilica stands above it.

Within the story are symbols giving us a glimpse of God. The Donkey and Oxen in the cave stand for all creatures great and small; as Jesus' birth is for all creation. The shepherds summoned by angels are the first on the scene, these ordinary folk permitted to hear a choir of angels singing God's praise. The wise men, Gentiles, non-Jews travelled a great distance on a pilgrimage following the activity of stars in heaven to come to pay homage to a King. A King for all people, in all ages.

May this Christmas bring you joy and may you feel God's love surrounding you. God Bless You. Come and join us throughout December with a variety of different services throughout the Benefice.

Revd. Sarah Wyman

Coffee and Chat

THE NOVEMBER coffee morning was a well attended, enjoyable event, when we were pleased to see some new people including the Police Community Support Officer! They and all neighbours, visitors and friends are most welcome to the last Coffee and Chat of 2022 which will be held in Crudwell Church on Wednesday 14 December between 10.30 – 12 noon.

As this is our Christmas meeting, sherry and mince pies will be served, carols sung with accompaniment and the usual sales table available with a bumper raffle.

ALL proceeds go towards the cost of maintaining the Church building and churchyard.

Please contact Rosemary Williams for further information on 01666 575073

Crudwell Multi-Sports Facility

- The courts were built to **play tennis, netball, basketball and 5/side football.**
- There is **no charge** for the use of the courts.
- **Maintenance costs** are funded entirely by **donations**, which can be made at The Wheatsheaf, Crudwell Post Office or online by bank transfer. A suggested donation could be £10/hour per court.
- If you play regularly, please consider joining our **subscription scheme** for a donation of **just £5/month.**
- Help keep the courts in good condition especially **NO WHEELS ON THE COURTS!** Thank you.
- Covid19 Restrictions: the courts should only be used in accordance with government rules & guidance in force at the time.

**Crudwell Recreation
Action Group (CRAG)**
part of the Crudwell
Village Hall & Recreation
Ground charity
no.294177
Email
anniebsmith@hotmail.co.uk
.uk for more information.

Crudwell Ladies

Our next meeting is Wednesday, 14 December. There will be no Crudwell Ladies meeting in the Hall in December as it has been double booked. I am sorry for the short notice but we were not informed of the clash which only came to light when I tried to pay for our regular booking in the usual way. More details in the members' email.

What a talented group of ladies we all turned out to be for our November meeting, when a very patient Judy Paginton showed us how to make a lovely Christmas angel for our tree. Okay, so some of the angels might have had a few very individual characteristics but this only added to their charm.

We meet every 2nd Wednesday of the month in Crudwell Village Hall, unless it is an 'away' meeting. We now meet at the village hall for **7pm with a 7.15pm start**, unless we have a trip planned. Our membership is not restricted to ladies living in Crudwell and members are very welcome to bring along a guest at the small charge of £3, with members paying £15 a year which covers the hall hire and cost of speakers. There are refreshments and a raffle, with the meeting finishing around 9.30pm.

Crudwell Ladies also meet in the Wheatsheaf every 4th Wednesday of each month for tea/coffee & cake from 10.30am through to noon. These get-togethers are very popular and the next get-together will be **Wednesday, 25th January 2023** at 10.30am. If anyone wanted to meet on **Wednesday, 21st December** there will be no problem but it is very close to Christmas so a very busy week, just let either of us know. These coffee morning are great fun, lots of laughter and are gaining popularity, so please come along, friends are also welcome.

Please contact *Judy Paginton – Treasurer* on 01666 577370 *Margaret English – (Newsletter Secretary)* on margaretenGLISH261@btinternet.com or 01666 577572

Tai Chi in Crudwell

OUR popular class meets in Crudwell Village Hall at just before 11.30am each Tuesday for an hour. Comfortable loose clothing and non-slip shoes are all that is required and bring a drink of water with you, although it is available at the hall. A class costs £6 for an hour. Just come along and join our friendly group. For further information, please contact either *Carmel Straughan* on 577502 and *Margaret English* on 577572.

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Crudwell Primary School

'THE SCHOOL is absolutely wonderful – if I had a magic wand which could change any aspect of it, that wand would be gathering dust in a drawer, unused!'

Following our recent inspection, we are pleased to share with you the final outcome of our inspection at Crudwell CE Primary School. The outcome of the inspection is that we continue to be a good school. The inspection recognised many of the things that we do well, including the pride, respect, kindness, responsibility and concern for others that the pupils show in everything they do. We are so proud of them!

As a school, we will celebrate the many strengths highlighted of the pupils, staff and leadership, including governors whilst beginning to reflect and indeed continue the work already started on our points for development.

Finally, I am so pleased that the support of the parents and carers really shines through in the report. Thank you to everybody for all you do to make this such an amazing community for our young people to flourish and fly. The full report is now available from the [Ofsted reports website](#). If you are interested in your child coming to Crudwell, we would be delighted to show you around. The school website (www.crudwellprimary.co.uk) has lots of information and gives a good idea of what we think makes the school so special. We look forward to welcoming you to our school. *Mr John, Head Teacher*

Crudwell Pre-School

WE HAVE been using the natural environment to learn and have loved exploring the various weathers England has to offer. The children have experiments with different objects in puddles to see if they float or sank, looked at patterns and sequences in the clouds and sun/moon. The children all created big poppies to display with pride on Remembrance Day. We have also updated our book corner. It is now an inviting, enclosed space with cushions and carpet, surrounded by plants and a lit-up tree.

We are fully booked now for this academic year, but we have a waiting list, so please get in touch if you are interested in sending your child to Crudwell Pre-School. You can contact me by either ringing or e mailing me on 07986622191, info@crudwellpreschool.co.uk

Crudwell Pre-school (Charity Reg. No. 1186585) Crudwell Village Hall – Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays - from 9am to 3pm for 2 to 5 years old.) *Cathy and the Pre-School team*

Crudwell Village Hall is a great venue for a variety of functions including children's parties, wedding receptions, meetings, presentations, as well as activities and clubs.

There is a large fully equipped kitchen, refitted and refurbished facilities, a large hall with a capacity of 150 to 200 people, meeting room, large playing field and a children's playground adjacent to an outdoor adult fitness area. The Hall has free Wi-Fi and drop-down projector screens with a PA system.

For availability, bookings, and more general information, head to our website.

crudwellvillagehall.org

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Ladies Lunch Club

MUCH to the ladies' disappointment, our November speaker had to cry off at the last minute but luckily David Head was able to step in and talk to us about the Gold Rush, complete with actual photos and a video which was taken on a old fashioned cine camera and converted. He certainly brought those days back to life and it looked very unglamorous, all that mud and the living quarters were pretty grim, no power showers in the Wild West then.

We will be having our very popular Christmas social on Monday 12 December, which just involves eating, drinking and much laughter. Pettifers does us proud on these occasions and put up with all the noise we make.

We always love to welcome guests/friends and prospective members so if you would like to come along, just contact either of us (tel. numbers below) and hopefully there will be room on the list. **But please let us know before the Saturday prior to the lunch if you are not able to come to the lunch** or you would like to bring a guest. This enables Dreena and I to contact Pettifers with the final total of ladies coming along.

We meet at Pettifers just before 12noon, pay Dreena for the lunch, choose from the lovely menu and then sit down at 12.30ish. Pettifers serve a really good 2-course lunch and give us a very warm welcome.

Dreena Ruty (01666 860467) – Margaret English (01666 577572)

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North Wiltshire Villages Flower Club

IN OCTOBER we were fortunate to have Pam Lewis as our demonstrator for the evening. Having been to the Club on many occasions before, she did not disappoint with her latest title Autumn Opulence. NAFAS has recognised Pam's contribution to flower arranging by bestowing Associate of Honour 50th Anniversary to her. A well-deserved accolade. We are also especially pleased to have arranged a visit to her home in 2023 for a pre-Christmas outing demonstration/garden and with food. Something to look forward to.

Wednesday 7 December 2022 at 7.30pm is Christmas Night Out. It's been brought forward as the third Wednesday of the month was felt to be too close to Christmas Day. A charge of £10 to members and the club will contribute to the evening at Pettifers Hotel.

NWVFC meet at the Crudwell Village Hall on the third Wednesday of the month, 7 pm for 7.30pm start unless there is an outing arranged. Fee for the evening to non-members is £7.50 includes refreshments and then the arrangements are raffled. The 2023 programme is finalised so it is easy to put the dates in your new diary. There are ample car parking facilities at the hall where a warm welcome awaits.

Malmesbury and District U3a

RETIRED? Semi-retired? Looking for new interests? Why not join us? Most of our interest groups are now meeting in person once again as we continue to emerge from the pandemic. We have over 450 members and 40 different interest groups including history, gardening, dancing, languages, walking, book groups etc. Check our website for an up – to-date list of groups and other information: www.malmesburyu3a.org.uk. For more information e-mail membership@malmesburyu3a.org.uk

Monthly meetings take place on the 4th Thursday of the month (10.00- 12.00) at Malmesbury Town Hall with Zoom as an option for those who do not wish to attend in person. The meeting format is kept under review to take account of the Covid situation. Non -members welcome. 50p donation.

Our next meeting is **Thursday 15 December - at 15:00 The Fool's Gold Christmas Show! (Zoom) - Carol and Steve Robson's Christmas Show** has all the usual ingredients of a Fool's Gold Show: the songs, performed live, the fascinating narratives behind the songs, the images to bring it all to life - and of course, a big helping of Christmas! You may recognise many of this collection of songs - be warned, it is very hard NOT to join in.



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Our social events include boules and skittles evenings held locally (usually with a meal included!). We play on Tuesday evenings from 7.15pm and Thursday afternoons from 2.30pm. Give bowls a go!!!

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