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January 2018

# The Newsletter

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a future**

8<sup>th</sup> Feb 2018

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Happy New Year

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2018 Moravian Church Community Lunch
- 21<sup>st</sup> Jan St Martin's Sunday Lunch
- 27<sup>th</sup> Jan Tytherton January Supper
- 6<sup>th</sup> Feb Bremhill Rural Arts
- 7<sup>th</sup> Feb Moravian Church Community Lunch
- 8<sup>th</sup> February **Development Plan Vote**
- 16<sup>th</sup> Feb Rural Arts at Bremhill - Spiltmilk Dance
- 17<sup>th</sup> Feb St Martin's Soup and Puds
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb St Mary's Concert

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## **EDITORIAL**

Happy New Year!

You will note that Richard Tucker, Chairman of the Bremhill Parish Council, has written you a letter which appears in this month's Newsletter. This highlights the key points of our Neighbourhood Plan, which has been agreed by Wiltshire Council, after a Parish-wide consultation and extensive work by the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group.

The Neighbourhood Plan has to be taken into account when any planning application is made within the Parish. It is there to protect the precious environment that we enjoy and prevent local towns encroaching on our Parish.

Now it is your turn to give your verdict. So please support your plan by giving your vote at the usual polling stations within the Parish on 8<sup>th</sup> of February.

By the way, I hope you had a lovely and peaceful Christmas and New Year and that Santa gave everything you wished for! We look forward to all the various village events that are already being organised for 2018!

The Newsletter Committee are very grateful to everyone who has given donations in the little brown envelopes, so generously. To date this is over £1000. Thank you so much. It is not too late to give us your envelope!

We had our Newsletter AGM in late November at which Ewen Bird has agreed to become our Chairman. I wish him all the best in his new job! There is a brief resumé of the AGM in this Newsletter.

*David Stevens*

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## **SPECIAL NOTICES**

### **TYTHERTON CHRISTMAS GIFT & CRAFT FAIR**

Our Fair was a great start to the Christmas Season with its stalls selling a wonderful range of gifts and goodies. Sheila's Café was always busy- with the parsnip soup soon selling out!

Well done to Carol Kyte for winning the 'Spelling Mistake' apron. Many thanks to all who came to buy, stallholders and all who helped beforehand and on the day. Just under £500 was raised for Hall funds.

### **BREMILL CHRISTMAS FAYRE**

Our Christmas Fayre took place at Bremhill Village Hall on Friday 8 December. We raised £1100 for the Church Fabric Fund and £750 from the annual Raffle. Thank you very much to all those who came and made the evening so vibrant and also to all those who worked so hard to make it such a success. You know who you are!

*Philippa Stevens*

### **POPPY APPEAL**

The Poppy Appeal for Remembrance Day this year raised £705 from Ratford, Bremhill, Charlcutt and Spirthill. The Foxham Poppy collection raised £101. 60. This is a record. Elizabeth and George thank all the people who gave so generously. Elizabeth is still looking for someone to take over from her for next year so if anyone feels they could take it on. Please let her know. It is a worthwhile task as it means a lot to be able to help those service people in even a small way.

*Elizabeth Hannah & George Powell*

## **TOWN HALL MOVIOLA**

Our film to start off the New Year in January will be 'My Cousin Rachael' (12A). From the novel by Daphne du Maurier. A new production starring Rachael Wiesz whose character is mean, minxy and manipulative.

Showing at the Town Hall on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30 pm. Doors open at 7.00 pm.Refreshments provided. Tickets £6.00 available from the information centre or on the door.

## **PRINTER INK OFFER**

We have been donated several HP Ink 80 Cartridges - black, yellow, cyan and magenta. If you would like to have them, a small donation to the Newsletter would secure them! Phone David on 01249 815337

*David Stevens  
815337 or dandpstevens@gmail.com*

## **BREMHILL COFFEE & CAKE**

A donation of £260.80 has been made to "Crisis at Christmas". This covers the cost of care for 10 homeless people to include; 3 nutritious hot meals, including Christmas dinner, a chance to shower & get clean clothes, a bed for the night if needed, a health check from a doctor, optician & dentist, advice on housing and employment with expert help on mental health & addiction problems as well as access to 'Crisis' year round services in the year ahead.

A further £250 has been donated to our local 'Doorway' charity in Chippenham to allow for similar work to be completed nearer home.

*Hilliary Harding*



## TYTHERTON VILLAGE HALL

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## NEWSLETTER AGM

The AGM was held on 28<sup>th</sup> November in Bremhill Village Hall.

In matters arising, the possibility of the Newsletter gaining charitable status was again raised and will be further considered by the committee. It was also reported that, despite some competitive printing tenders, we were very satisfied with the excellent quality of our present printer and had no intention to move from him.

The Chair (David Stevens) then gave a short history of the development of the Newsletter and noted that the publication was now five years old. He thanked all those without whom it could not happen, mentioning especially the generous financial support from many sources. He concluded that he felt privileged to have been part of the publication's development, but had now decided to resign as Chair, effective from this meeting. Ewen Bird was elected as new Chair, with the Committee and village reps all continuing as before.

The finance report showed that the Newsletter was financially fairly healthy, an improvement on the previous year. The decision taken at the last AGM to raise advertising rates had had little negative effect, with advertising income remaining almost as before.

Finally, under AoB, Richard Tucker wished to record the meeting's thanks and appreciation to the outgoing Chair for all his work in setting up and supporting the development of the Newsletter to the high standard we have today. The meeting was unanimous in supporting this.

The next meeting is to be held in November 2018 and full minutes of the meeting are available should anyone wish to see them.



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## **BREMHILL PARISH HISTORY PROJECT**

The inaugural meeting of this new project will take place from 7 pm on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018 in the Bremhill Village Hall. Everyone will be most welcome. The project aims to research and produce an engaging publication on the history of Bremhill Parish (including all the villages) and in parallel provide a chapter for the Victoria County History (VCH) of Wiltshire. We have been surprised by the amount of historical material already available covering Stanley Abbey, the churches, Moravians, Quakers, schools, reading rooms, other listed buildings, Maud Heath's causeway, the canal and railway. But there is much more to research!

We are delighted by the early interest in engaging with this project - whether to contribute material, help with the research or just to follow what we uncover. So far, we have formed a small committee drawn from across the parish: Martin Nye, Helen Stuckey, Sarah Jones, John Harris and Bob Harding. We also have the support of John Chandler, a trustee of the Wiltshire VCH, and Julie Davis from the hire History Centre (W&SHC) in Chippenham.

John and Julie will be joining us for this first meeting when we plan to:

- outline our plans for producing both the engaging publication, as well as the VCH chapters. We will have some examples of other local history publications;
- describe the kinds of sources that volunteer researchers might work with and how to use the W&SHC.
- ascertain who is interested in being involved, in what capacity and areas of interest.
- agree where and when further sessions should be held e.g. daytime sessions at the W&SHC working with original documents and evening meetings in Bremhill with experts in various fields.

It would be really helpful if you could email [helenstuckey@btinternet.com](mailto:helenstuckey@btinternet.com) to indicate if you might be able to come to this inaugural meeting. Equally, if you are interested but can't make this meeting, let us know and we will catch up with you directly.

We will give you regular updates in the Newsletter.

*Helen Stuckey*

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### **"Hide and Seek" by Ian Rankin**

an Inspector Rebus novel.

I had not read any Ian Rankin novels, although he is one of the UK's foremost current novelists. I generally enjoy a good detective story, so I decided to have a go. I was not disappointed.

"A junkie lies dead in an Edinburgh squat - spread-eagled, cross like on the floor between two burned down candles, a five pointed star daubed on the wall above. Just another dead addict, until John Rebus begins to chip away at the indifference, treachery, deceit and sleaze that lurk behind the façade of Edinburgh familiar to the tourists. Only Rebus seems to care about a death which looks more like a murder every day, about seductive danger he can almost taste, appealing to the darkest corners of his mind."

Having worked in Bath, I know there is depravation and sleaze behind some of the Georgian exterior. Rankin describes these aspects of Edinburgh so well. Oh, yes, I will be reading more Inspector Rebus in future!

*David Stevens*

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## CHRISTMAS ARMCHAIR QUIZ

1 point for each correct answer.

1. He was the architect who designed the new church St John the Baptist 1878 to 1881.
2. 7 Sept 1814 was a Wednesday.
3. Fish-scale design.
4. To prime the pump.
5. To start the Moravian church.
6. Bremhill village, a walk from the Dumbpost inn to the memorial in the square.
7. We don't know, a recent aerial photo shows the basket has a closed lid.
8. Cadenham Manor.
9. William L Bowles.
10. Missing presumed lost; it was a Victorian addition to the top of the medieval cross in St Martin's churchyard.
11. Empress Matilda in 1151.
12. 1828.
13. The Wilts and Berks canal.
14. 1770.
15. He wrote a 'Hymn of the Wiltshire Labourer' after Lucy Simkins' 1846 speech at Bremhill.
16. Stanley Bridge halt.
17. Scott's mill, Stanley mill and Hazeland mill.
18. Cowage Brook, Ratford.
19. A hybrid variety given to parishioners in tied cottages in the parish by Lord Lansdowne.
20. Calibri.
21. John Lupson Harris or Terrence Ernest William Satchell.
22. Ratford.
23. Foxham; see sign in pub car park.
24. Not sure; go out and count them, maybe 2 perhaps 3.
25. Best at Print Ltd.

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**TYTHERTON W.I.**

'A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL'

We get the New Year off to a good start with "Pam's Baskets" - a talk and demonstration of basket weaving using recycled materials, by Mrs Pamela Pontin.

On 31<sup>st</sup> January those members who wish to are going to La Passione in Chippenham, for an Italian Meal.

Our meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month, except August, at 7.30 pm in Tytherton Village Hall. If you would like to come for a 'taster' evening you are very welcome - we are a very friendly bunch, with members from several of the local villages as well as Chippenham. Just come along or for further information ring our Secretary Rose on 07514 538551



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## **CHRISTIAN MALFORD & FOXHAM WI**



A very enjoyable and busy end to the year. Our Christmas party was a great success with scrumptious food, the 'End of Track Choir' entertaining us and raffle prizes. The raffle will go to 'Wiltshire Sight' this year.

We visited Dentons Glove factory, a Bobby Browns beauty and a visit to Stretchline factory in Sherston. There was an enjoyable Christmas wreath making day and an excellent 'Discover, Cook and Eat' morning. The art group opened the doors at the December meeting for all to see some of their year's work. And a large group of us went to Little Somerford church for our group carol service. We have given £250 to Foxham Reading Rooms towards refurbishing the library/new bar area which will be starting very soon.

### **Women and Osteoporosis - Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January, 7.30 pm**

Kathleen Hennessey from Stryker UK will be joining us in the Christian Malford village hall. Kathleen will be talking about fractures of hip, hip replacement, knee replacement plus fracture of wrist. All relevant to women and osteoporosis

New members are always welcome. Phone Tina for any queries on 01249 720956

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## **CHRISTIAN MALFORD & FOXHAM WI ART GROUP**

The Group (also known as the Loose Women) held its final workshop of the year which also included an exhibition of over 50 recent works, in Malford Village Hall on the 8<sup>th</sup> December. Its 14 members led by tutor Des Palmer, completed exercises in charcoal, Indian ink, soft pastel and watercolour before ending with large multi-media works inspired by the music of Sibelius.

This, the sixth year of the group, has been the busiest with seven sessions in members' homes and visits to art exhibitions, the Peto Gardens at Bradford-on-Avon and the studios of local artists. Works were entered into four local shows including Foxham Horse and Dog Show, winning over thirty awards

*Des Palmer*



## **BREMHILL PARISH COUNCIL**

Dear Bremhill Parish Resident,

Following on from the review by the Government Inspector and Decision Notice by Wiltshire Council you will be asked to vote for adoption of your Bremhill Neighbourhood Plan on the 8th February 2018. Four years of consultation process has shaped the key points of the Plan.

### **General Development**

Small - scale development, where appropriate to the setting, using infill sites and conversions to provide up to 20 new homes by 2030. A mix of housing to suit local needs.

### **Protecting our Open countryside**

Preventing coalescence between Bremhill village and the parish boundary to the west of Calne.

### **Preserving the Marden Valley**

Maintaining visual separation between Tytherton Lucas and Chippenham to preserve the unspoilt nature of the River Marden valley for amenity and leisure.

### **Biodiversity**

Development should protect our landscapes, woodland, hedgerows, ponds, lakes, rivers, streams, ditches and wildlife habitats with ecology buffers.

### **Green Space at Lodowicks**

Land at Lodowicks, Bremhill is designated as Local Green Space for the benefit of the community.

### **Jobs and Commerce**

Supporting existing jobs and new employment opportunities including farm diversity. Implementation of fast broadband to support business, home working and domestic use.

### **Traffic management and accessibility**

Ensuring that horse riders, cyclists, walkers and drivers can safely co-exist on parish roads. Identifying road areas which require maintenance. Supporting Community Speedwatch initiatives including traffic signage.

A positive vote for The Bremhill Parish Neighbourhood Plan will determine parish development and our quality of life now and in the future. View the full plan in your local village hall or at [www.bremhillparish.org](http://www.bremhillparish.org)

**Please do use your vote on the 8<sup>th</sup> February at your normal polling station or by post to secure a planned future for Bremhill Parish.**

My best regards and thanks,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Richard". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

*Richard Tucker*  
*Chairman Bremhill Parish Council*

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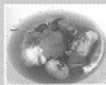
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Four ladies from St Nicholas Church formed a Knit and Natter group almost two years ago. In December they delivered seven bags of gifts to the collection centre at St Peter's Church. These included twenty two sets of hats, scarves and gloves and enough pens, pencils, toothbrushes and toothpaste, soap and flannels to help fill at least twenty or more boxes. They also donated toys, bags, purses and over one hundred drawstring bags.

They have made 150 multi-coloured sheep for St Andrew's Church Advent Pilgrimage and twelve "fiddle mats" and muffs have been donated to a local residential home.

This year's sheep are already underway, so you can see that there has been plenty of knitting and sewing done with a pleasant amount of nattering by this admirable group of ladies.

We congratulate the Knit and Natter group for giving so generously of their time and gifts to these worthwhile causes.

### **RURAL ARTS AT BREMHILL**

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018

#### **SPILTMILK DANCE**

**The Little Love Cabaret**

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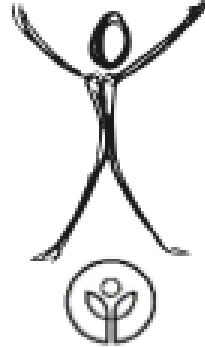
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## GARDENING NOTES - JANUARY

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Flowers that will be flowering shortly are Hamamelis, Daphne, Mahonia, all of which are shrubs. Iris unguicularis, Cyclamen coum, Winter Aconites, Hellebores, Crocus, Snowdrops and many more. Take a note of those you would like to plant later in the year.

This is a good time to build a compost bin and wash down the glass of an empty greenhouse ready for the seeds.

Prune overgrown Viburnum by cutting out old woody stems, add a mulch with slow release fertilizer around the roots. Prune back vines and wisteria to the most vigorous side shoots by at least two thirds. Remove any weak and twiggy growth. Prune Apple trees this month. Apply a grease band around the trunks to prevent the wingless moths crawling up the trunk to lay eggs on the branches thus preventing the caterpillars eating the blossom and fruitlets.

Sow Chillie seeds now. They grow very slowly. Put in a heated greenhouse or on a windowsill, a temperature of around 25c is needed for germination. Set early and second early potatoes to chit. Put trays in a cool frost free place with good light.

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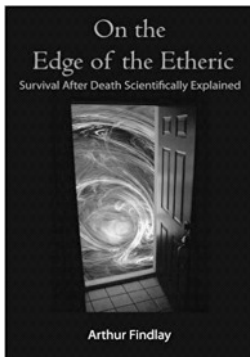
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## LUDDITE TOWERS - JANUARY 2018

Well we have had a fantastic Christmas here at Luddite Towers. The matron was overcome with generosity and bought us all the same book for Christmas, (penny each on amazon) telling us to discuss it on Boxing Day and write a 500-page review for the Bremhill Newsletter. After a brief discussion we decided she meant 500 words. We opened our presents to discover we each had a very tatty copy of "On the Edge of the Etheric" by J.Arthur Findlay written in 1931. To summarise it was all about survival after death scientifically explained. The unanimous feedback after half an hour's reading was -- rubbish.

We are however now planning to go ghost hunting at midnight one spring night in the graveyard at St John the Baptist but before the midges bite. This will be when the matron is away on her annual CPD training trip in the Maldives and we can force the locks and get out.



That took us until coffee time on Boxing Day so we had to amuse ourselves in other ways. The Newsletter Quiz was next, pretty easy. After all, everybody living near Foxham knows that William Butterfield was born on a Wednesday and died on a Friday. The only problem we had was that none of us knew where the sundial had gone from St Martin's churchyard. We could remember it being there in the 1960's. Maybe look in the church shed next time I am allowed out under escort.

So at 11.30 am we decided we would do something useful for the older readers of the Newsletter in the parish. We would breakdown the myths surrounding techno babble. Alexa and Cortana were not much assistance yet again, so we had a brainstorming session and I kept the notes, maybe next month for all you fellow luddites out there.

### *Editors note*

*According to Wikipedia the etheric body, ether-body, æther body, a name given by neo-Theosophy to a vital body or subtle body propounded in esoteric philosophies as the first or lowest layer in the "human energy field" or aura. It is said to be in immediate contact with the physical body, to sustain it and connect it with "higher" bodies.*



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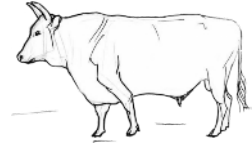
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## REVEREND LINDA

Dear Friends. At this time of year, we celebrate Epiphany and hear the story of the wise men, Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar, who journeyed to kneel before the Christ-child. But did you know about the other wise man, named Artaban?



Artaban arranges to meet up with his fellow stargazers to travel together to find the King and worship him. Artaban sells everything to buy a special gift for the King, a sapphire, a ruby and a pearl.

However, on his way to meet the others, Artaban comes upon a wounded man. He tends his wounds, feeds him, and stays until the man recovers. He sells his sapphire to buy a fresh horse but it is too late. Artaban reaches Bethlehem. The other wise men are on their way home, and Joseph and Mary have fled to Egypt with the baby Jesus. Herod's slaughter of children is occurring so he uses his ruby to save a young woman's baby.

Artaban takes up his quest once more and travels to Egypt and other places to search for the King. On his way, he feeds the hungry, clothes the naked, heals the sick and comforts the captive. 33 years later he finds himself in Jerusalem. Before Christ's crucifixion he gives his pearl to save a young woman from slavery. Artaban has come too late for the King. But, he hears his King say: "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."

I wonder how many of us find ourselves looking back over the previous twelve months, and asking "If only?" or "What if?". "If only I had done that instead of this?". Perhaps for some, the good and positive things which have happened are somehow eclipsed by sad and terrible events. For others the future is uncertain and the way ahead unclear.

Artaban did not come to his King empty handed. He gave his material gifts, but he gave much more. Be encouraged by the other wise man. Let us go forward with great hope that all things can be possible-trusting God to walk with us. So let us do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with God through 2018.

"The Story of the Other Wise Man" by Henry Van Dyke (1895). *Linda Carter*

## **ST NICHOLAS CHURCH, TYTHERTON LUCAS**

Sunday 7 Jan	Morning Service	10:00 am	Peter Tremelling
Sunday 15 Jan	Eucharist	8:30 am	Peter Tremelling
Sunday 21 Jan	Mattins	10:00 am	Jeremy Bray
Sunday 28 Jan	Eucharist	8.30 am	Rod Key
Sunday 4 Feb	Morning Service	10:00 am	Derek Copeland

## **ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH. FOXHAM**

Sunday 7 Jan	9:30 am	E. Hannah
Feast of Epiphany	Holy Communion (LIC)	TBC
Sunday 14 Jan	9:30 am	R. Pegler
Epiphany 2	Family Service (LIC)	TBC
Sunday 21 Jan	9:30 am	D. Scott
Epiphany 3	Holy Communion (JS)	TBC
Sunday 28 Jan	6:00 pm	D. Wilton
Epiphany 4	Evensong (LIC)	TBC
Sunday 4 Feb	9:30 am	E. Hannah
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## ST MARTIN'S CHURCH, BREMHILL

	Service	Sidesmen	Readers
7 <sup>th</sup> Jan Epiphany White	8:00 Holy Communion (JS) 6:00 Evensong (LIC)	Jane Jordan Nicol Jordan June Hughes William Bailey	Ephesians 3: 1-12 Philippa Stevens Isaiah 60: 1-6 Beryl Wells Matthew 2: 1-12 Marilyn Adcock
14 <sup>th</sup> Jan Epiphany 2 White	11:00 Holy Communion (JS)	Anne Jones Len Jones	Revelation 5: 1-10 Julia King
21 <sup>st</sup> Jan Epiphany 3 White	6:00 Evensong (LIC)	Mervyn Wells Beryl Wells	Genesis 14: 7-20 Arnold Woods John 2: 1-11 Jane Jordan
28 <sup>th</sup> Jan Epiphany 4 <b>Candlemas</b> White	9.30 Family Service (LIC)	Mark Kyte David Stevens	Luke 2: 22-40 June Hughes
4 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2 before Lent Green	8:00 Holy Communion (LIC) 6:00 Evensong (JS)	Prisca W-S Tamsin Castle Arnold Woods Gwen Woods	Colossians 1: 15-20 Mark Kyte Proverbs 8: 1, 22-31 Michael Kitching John 1: 1-14 Michael Parlett

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## ST MARTIN'S NOTICES

Rev'd Linda Carter was Inducted as our Vicar on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> Dec and we were also able to welcome her and her husband, Richard at our Christmas Fayre a few days later. The Christmas Fayre made £1060 after all the expenses and the Raffle raised £750. Thank you to everyone who helped on the day and to those who came. A great time was had by all.

The roof has been repaired at last and now the north wall will have a chance to dry out. We still await Salisbury Glass to finish the opening of the windows. When that is completed, we will be in a position to re-erect the Hatchment and repair the interior of the north wall. This will be a big step forward.

The next task will be to have a proper church sign with a new notice board. Then we can think of more ambitious plan that will include the creation of a toilet and water for the interior of the church with all the opportunities that will provide.

### Recycle your old candles

If you have any candles that you wish to throw away, please give them to me and I will melt them down and make new ones! I sell them in aid of St Martin's Church, Bremhill. You may have seen them on sale. *David Stevens*

**St Martin's 100 Club** There have been about £850 worth of prizes in 2017.

Almost every month there have been different prize winners. Thank you to everyone who has paid their subscriptions for 2018. If you are still wanting to have a go or two, it's not too late! Just give me cash or a cheque to "Bremhill PCC" for £12 or any multiple thereof and you will be in the monthly draw!

*David Stevens*

Afternoon tea china for hire. Very reasonable rates. Contact Philippa on 815337.

If you have any items of local Church news for the next edition of the Newsletter, please send to [editor@bremhill.com](mailto:editor@bremhill.com) by 13<sup>th</sup> of each month. Thank you.

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## ON NEW YEAR'S DAY

On New Year's Day a year ago, I started off the year  
by making resolutions that were probably severe.

I said I'd save my money, as this seemed so very wise.  
I vowed I would improve my health. I swore I'd exercise.

I stated I would do my homework every single day.  
I'd brush my teeth religiously to ward off tooth decay.

I'd eat my fruits and vegetables and keep my bedroom clean.  
I'd treat my sister kindly though she's often very mean.

My resolutions lasted me about a half a day.  
I promised I would keep them but I broke them anyway.

So now I'm fat and penniless. My homework's overdue.  
My sister's mad. My teeth are bad. My room is messy too.

And yet I think I may have found the best of all solutions,  
and this year I've resolved to not make ANY resolutions.

*Kenn Nesbitt*

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