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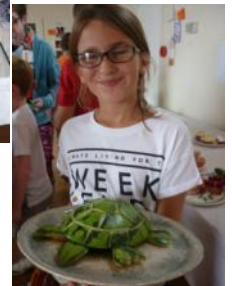
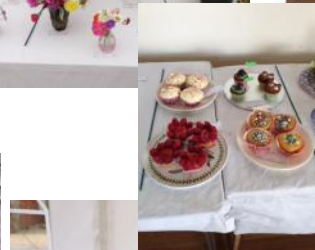
Diary Dates This Month

- 2nd Sept Rubbish (Black)
Coffee Morning
- 3rd Sept Pie Night
- 7th Sept Mobile Library
10.30-11.15am
5.00pm Ukelele Club
- 9th Sept Recycling (Green)
Coffee Morning
- 10th Sept Pie Night
Exhibition starts, Bell St,
Shaftesbury
- 14th Sept 5.00pm Ukelele Club
- 16th Sept Rubbish (Black)
Coffee Morning
- 17th Sept Pie Night
- 19th Sept Malcolm Trowbridge's
sponsored jump from an
aeroplane!
- 20th Sept Hambledon: History of the
Hill Day, National Trust
- 21st Sept Mobile Library
10.30-11.15 am
5pm Ukulele Club
- 22nd Sept Ladies Who Lunch (all are
welcome)
Art Exhibition ends, Bell St,
Shaftesbury
- 23rd Sept Short Mat Bowling 7.00pm
- 24th Sept Pie Night
Men who Munch 12.30pm
at The Cricketers
- 23rd Sept Recycling (Green)
Coffee Morning
- 24th Sept Pie Night
- 28th Sept Lunch and Chat 12.30pm in
Village Hall
5.00pm Ukelele Club
- 29th Sept Men who Munch 12.30pm
at The Cricketers
- 30th Sept Rubbish (Black)
Coffee Morning

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Shroton Village Show Saturday 29th September



When we got out the marquee, with a good number of volunteers to help muddle through the complicated process of erecting it, Hazel Ward, chief organiser, was still unsure how well the event would be supported. However, there was no need to worry as there were 275 entries on the day!

The visiting professional judges commented on the good standard of entries, particularly in the baking section. It was wonderful to see so many impressive entries from the younger generations and congratulations particularly to Eleanor Smith who entered baking, flower arranging, painting and pottery in the 12-18 classes. Special congratulations also to Julian Allen as produce and show winner! The Cups were awarded as follows:

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| Miss Copeland Trophy - overall show winner | Julian Allen |
| Ceres Cup - best performance in produce classes | Julian Allen |
| Galpin Cup - best single entry in produce classes | Kate Parry-Evans |
| Miss Hale Sheild - best performance in cookery classes | Alison Allen |
| WI Centenary Cup - best single entry in preserves | Hazel Ward |
| Lady Baker Cup - best performance in flower classes | Jane Hurst |
| Stella Stewart Cup - best in flower arranging classes | Diana Duncan |
| Patricia Humphrey Cup - best single entry in Flower Arrangements | Eleanor Smith |
| Maggie Page Cup - best single entry in handicrafts classes | Andy Rees |
| Photography Frame - best performance in photography classes | Rod Simmonds |
| Best Photo - best single entry in Photography classes | Robin Scoones |
| Patricia Goodbody Cup - Children 7 and under best performance | Sophie Middle |
| Bella Howlett Cup - Children 8-11 years best performance | Fleur Hurst |
| Children 8 to 11 years - 2nd place - £1 | Hester Smith |
| Children 8 to 11 years - 3rd place - 50p | George Smith |
| 12-18 Year Olds overall winner - cash prize £5 | Eleanor Smith |

Many thanks to Pam Percy for organising and running the raffle, and to the teams of helpers who made the whole event an enjoyable occasion for all.

Dear Everyone,
First of all, sorry for the rubbish/recycling dates mix-up - just when I thought I may finally have got the knack of doing things correctly! My only excuse is I had been using a National Grid calendar that was sent to us with 2 months missing which was no use for our kitchen and I thought I could amend it for my Lines work - clearly too much risk involved there!

It has been more of a struggle than ever to get all the articles fitted in that have been sent or that I have added, so apologies for the slightly squashed layout and I do hope it doesn't prove too difficult to follow - I am probably to blame for being over-ambitious about what can be included!

In the absence of other spaces, I have to offer a few reminders here:

~ **Ladies Who Lunch** is on Tuesday 22nd September at The Cricketers. 12.30pm. Anyone who hasn't been before is very welcome; contact Cathy Bird on 01258 861526 for the menu.
~ Mike Scott wants to remind everyone of the difficulty of traffic congestion during the Great **Dorset Steam Fair**, which you will have realised by the time this edition reaches you, I expect.

~The first **Lunch and Chat** of the autumn will be on 28th September, and the usual arrangements will apply. Please let Barbara Briggs know if you would like to come.

~ Please remember to sponsor our intrepid sky divers, Malcolm Trowbridge and Tim Kingsbury, who are aiming to raise funds for the church bells, if you can.

~Look out for details about Hambledon: History of the Hill Day on page 7.

Your editor will be off on holiday during next month so the October edition of the Lines will be shorter and sent to press sooner than usual. Please send any items as urgently as you can, and certainly by 20th - always remembering that the real deadline is supposed to be 15th anyway.

Best wishes, especially to those who are about to start the academic year. So glad I am retired!

Village Hall News

Anne Pearson

We have torn ourselves away from a rather wet week in Devon - to be back in time for the Shroton Show! I'm really looking forward to admiring all those perfect tomatoes, giant runner beans and home-made cakes. Hope to see you all there!

Shroton Church Bell Fund



Cream Teas

Angela Carpenter has masterminded the refined serving of cream teas in pretty porcelain cups and saucers for five August weekends in the church and outside in the unlikely graveyard setting! A team of willing helpers has supported the cause, most notably Flick Mercer, whose scones are legend, and several of us are hoping a lesson in scone-making will be forthcoming in the not-too-distant future!

Early in the month it was realised that 2.30pm was a little early for most, but by 3.00pm hungry walkers and villagers made their way to the cakes and scones and had some trouble making their choices of indulgence. The total takings will be approximately £1,000, making the whole venture a very worthwhile undertaking, and has provided a lot of fun in the process. Congratulations and many thanks to Angela Carpenter and her valiant supporting husband who helped make everything run smoothly every time!

Angela wishes to thank all her helpers and also all the villagers who came, sometimes more than once, contributing generously to the cause.

Short Mat Bowling

Bob Briggs

We are planning to start our winter season in the Village Hall in September. I have been trying to organise a place for us in the Blackmore Vale League but the requirements to do so are somewhat formidable and so for the forthcoming year playing merely friendly matches could be the solution.

For those of you who haven't tried short mat bowling please come along and have a go. We shall provide the equipment and all you need is heelless footwear (slippers or thick soles are fine). Men and women compete equally as no strength is



The Things People Do for Shroton!

Malcolm Trowbridge, Captain of the Bells, has not only baked cakes and helped set up and clear the cream tea paraphernalia each weekend, he has now decided to take his life in his hands to raise sponsorship for the Bell Fund.

He has signed up to do a 10,000 foot jump at Old Sarum Aerodrome, which will involve a 30 second free fall - enough time to realise what a brave or foolhardy challenge he has dared undertake.

Joining him in this venture will be Tim Kingsbury, who explained that the appeal needs to raise around £30,000, and so far about £9,000 has been raised.

To make this venture worthwhile, Malcolm and Tim need sponsors. Forms are available at the Village Hall, the Church and The Cricketers, so please remember to show your support for this intrepid pair who are going to pull a very different kind of rope on 19th September!

Best wishes for a safe landing and plenty of sponsorship to repay your daring, Malcolm and Tim!

required. (I hope that doesn't sound sexist - no such interpretation is intended!)

We now have two mats to enable us to play two threesomes per team as the league requires. It will be interesting to test out the new floor!

I have booked the Hall for the following dates at 7.00pm:

Wed 23rd Sept, Thurs 22nd Oct, Wed 4th Nov, Wed 25th Nov, Wed 9th Dec, Wed 16th Dec, Wed 6th Jan, Wed 20th Jan, Wed 10th Feb, Wed 24th Feb, Wed 9th Mar, Wed 23rd Mar.

If I can book any friendlies I will publish the details of time, place and players in notices on the boards at the two bus stops and at the Village Hall.

Shroton Cricket Club

Summer 2015 - An Interview with Christine Ball

SCC currently plays league cricket in County Division 1, which is in itself remarkable, because all the other teams are from bigger villages and towns. SCC players all originally come from our parish, though some now live elsewhere.

In this season so far there have been 8 wins and 8 defeats, and according to club secretary, Christine Ball, the team took a few games to get used to each other and pull together so have improved a great deal over the summer. The weather has been unusually kind, and no matches have been cancelled. Captain, Mark Doble, has scored his first century for the Club this season and early in the summer they ended a game with a barbecue at the cricket ground followed by camping and cooking breakfast together before disbanding. It is the closeness and fun shared by SCC that seem to give them their special team spirit and they hope to end the summer with another barbecue and camp if weather allows.

As most Shrotonians know, Bob and Dulcie McCrae ran SCC for many years before Eric and Christine Ball became involved, Eric as groundsman and Christine who has also been treasurer and tea-maker. Christine's score books are immaculate: neatly colour-coded in minute detail - an amazing achievement as this represents unflinching attendance and concentration for every match! Currently, Lorraine Stevens and Judith Hewitt provide teas for all the home games, no small feat as anyone knows who has seen the spread they lay on!

One of the highlights of this season was President's Day, when many players from the past and Vice-Presidents of the Club came together to enjoy a game and share in the teas and other drinks that afternoon. It was an especially sociable and happy occasion when old friends met, reminisced and appreciated the Club as it is now.

Congratulations to SCC and long may it continue to thrive!

Shroton Cricket Club Early History - Judith Hewitt

Occasional Cricket matches have been held on the Fair field for many years- the earliest record I have found is 15th August 1822 (Dorset County Chronicle) "... the Manly game of Cricket - fast

becoming popular in Dorset - match and dinner to be held at Fairfield, Shroton between Stour and Blandford Clubs - 22 Sovereigns" .

In 1857 the Shroton Musical Institution was founded which quickly became the Shroton Literary and Musical Institution. Although village cricket matches took place the actual Cricket Club was formed under this committee and institution.

By 1859 there were 75 fully paid up (male) members and according to the Cricket part of the Institution "playing cricket has afforded much amusement and manly recreation in the evenings during the long summer months". The cricket matches were held mostly on the Fair Field and Steepleton Park, but occasionally Cow Ground or Brewer's Barton was used. A sit down lunch break was provided either in a tent erected or inside, by Mr Cross, publican of the White Hart. Matches were arranged against other local village teams.

The cricket teams were men from middle class village society i.e school master, publican, vicar, farm holders. There were about 6 matches arranged and the average winning score was about 45 runs!

By 1894 the Institution had evolved to the Men's Recreation Club including the Cricket Club and the members now included the 'working class' (who were paid half a day's wages by the Club if they were selected to play). The Club was successful and well supported- and the Fairfield was the Home of the Club. In 1903 the turf was re-laid and the following year a fence was erected to protect the wicket permanently. This did not change until 1973 when Win Walmsley (then Ranston Farm Manager) made arrangements for the whole Cricket Pitch to be fenced off: he was fed up with missing catches due to slipping in cow pats!!

In 1922 and 1927 Shroton won the Dorset County Cup and have had many successful seasons since.

Shroton Cricket continues to exist (where MANY village clubs have failed) due to the support and hard work of local people -and of course the kind and generous patronage of the Baker family and through the generations to James Gibson Fleming.

If anyone has further information, please contact me- Judith Hewitt.

Junior Cricket 2015

Ailsa Boardman-Hirst

New league regulations brought in by

Dorset County Cricket board has resulted in great developments within Shroton Cricket Club over the past year. The introduction of a junior section has enabled the Club to work towards Clubmark accreditation, allowing the adult team to play in the league.

In September 2014 Shroton Cricket Club launched its junior section with weekly winter training session at Clayesmore School, and an U11 team entered into the North Dorset Indoor League. The training attracted a merry band of children ages 7-11 years with between 12-16 children attending regularly. Fortnightly matches at Sturfit between November and March enabled players to bond, play competitive games and hone their skills prior to the summer leagues. The U11 team finished a very creditable 5th with a thirst for more! Summer Friday evening training started in May and became a popular village activity for many 6-11 year olds. The Club entered U9 and U11 teams in the North Dorset Summer leagues. Weekly matches against local rival club teams were enjoyed by all.

In between the training sessions a great deal of work has taken place writing policies and risk assessments and collating other paperwork required for compliance with ECB Clubmark standards. In June the Club passed their inspection and were awarded ECB Clubmark status.

Our junior season culminated on President's Day with friendly adult, U9 and U11 games, junior presentations and approximately 100 people attending the day. We now look forward to embarking upon our second junior season with planned winter indoor practice sessions and at least two junior teams due to compete in the indoor leagues. Local sponsorship was very gratefully received from Courtney Developments and JDG Structural Steel supporting adult and junior teams respectively. This sponsorship, along with Clayesmore School's support with sports hall hire and coaching from Dan Conway semi-professional cricketer and Clayesmore Cricket Coach, has certainly aided the new developments seen within the Club.

We are keen to harness the enthusiasm shown by so many juniors and invite any juniors aged 7 plus who want to give cricket a go. Equally, any adult support would also be welcomed, so don't be shy and give us a call - 01747 812099!



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Church News - John Simmons

New Vicar

We are delighted to announce that the Reverend David John has accepted our offer to be appointed Vicar of the Iwerne Valley Benefice, of which Shroton Church is a member.

David is currently the Incumbent at St Cuthbert's Parish Church, West Hampstead, in the Diocese of London, where he has worked for the last 10 years. In addition to running the St Cuthbert's Parish and carrying out the full duties of that role, David is also a part-time Police Officer in the Metropolitan Police. Currently he works on the Brent Police and Council anti social behaviour team. He will be retiring from the Police at the end of October and will come to us in a full-time capacity as our Vicar.

He and his wife Yvet are eagerly looking forward to joining us and bringing the wealth of experience they have gathered into the rural context. They anticipate coming to the Iwerne Valley in November, and his induction service will be conducted by the Bishop of Salisbury, Rt Rev'd Nicolas Holtam, on 5th November. Fireworks afterwards, perhaps?

Bell Fund

The amount we have raised so far has now exceeded £9,000. Our warm thanks to all who have contributed or supported events. The Cream Teas in Church during August have been delicious! As we have now made a good start in raising monies for the restoration of the bells, it is time to look forward.

Contractors are so busy that we will have to book them a year ahead, so the PCC will shortly be choosing a contractor and booking a timetable for the work, which may take up to three months. Meanwhile, we will need to raise the rest of the money.

Harvest

Advance warning that our Harvest Thanksgiving Service will take place on Sunday 11th October at the later time of 11am, followed by a Harvest Lunch in the Village Hall. This is a Service suitable for all ages, and we will have as a guest a local farmer, Peter Jack, who has until recently been supplying milk to Waitrose, and who will be answering questions as to food production in this country, and what it means to be a Christian working in the industry.

National Prayer Weekend

25th – 27th September

This is a time when your local church prays a blessing on the local community. St. Mary's will be open from 10am – 5pm with creative displays to help you bring your thoughts to God. If you prefer we will have a labelled box on the table by the door for you to put prayer requests. These can be anonymous or marked as confidential.

Shroton During the 1914-18 War

Ena Rees

Research is being done into the presence of the Royal Naval Division in 1914-15.

There has been a request for information about where RND personnel stayed, as it is already known some stayed at Pimperne, Iwerne minster and Shillingstone between October 1914 and January 1915, during the construction of Blandford Camp.

Does anyone know anything about prisoners-of-war who may have been housed in Shroton while they were involved with building Blandford Camp?

There is also evidence that Belgian refugees were hired as agricultural labourers by a Mr W G Mells of Drove Barn Farm, Tarrant Gunville, some of whom were given the use of a house in Durweston by the Portman family.

If anyone has any knowledge or connections with Shroton during the 1914-18 War, you are invited to contact Bridget Spiers, 4 The Cedars, Park Road, Blandford Forum DT11 7BX, Tel: 01258 455081. Email: bridget@damorybooks.plus.com

Superfast Dorset broadband update for Shroton - Mike Scott

By the time you read this Shroton might already be connected, but just in case...

At last some good news for those of you who have been holding out for the traditional landline broadband option: The wayleave for access over a private property in Child Okeford has been signed and all health and safety bits and bobs are in place for work to finally start in laying the fibre optic cable to Shroton. Once we are connected and tested, what will happen? Well probably nothing if Iwerne Minster are anything to go by. Very few households received notification that the village was connected – more by word of mouth after a Parish Council meeting than by a flyer through the letter box or a jump in

connection speed.

Once we are connected it is then up to you to start the research and the bartering with your current supplier; but beware of eye watering headline offers. Add up all the little bits; line rental, broadband package, call package, call features etc and check what download limit they are offering you. Then you will have the true cost of your new service.

If you are registered for notifications on the Dorset for You website you will receive an email from them once BT/Openreach have informed them. If you are out and about, you may see an Openreach engineer at the new cabinet by the old phone box on Shroton Cross or if you would like an update from me as soon as the Marketing & Communications Office for Superfast Dorset issue it, pop an email to thepiedpiperofshroton@gmail.com with 'Yes to Shroton News' in the subject line and as soon as I hear, you'll be next.

Shroton Newspaper Delivery

Chris Pearson

In an attempt to replace Wendy Shinn's much-loved newspaper round, a group of us - Janet Jones, Ena Rees and myself - have started a Shroton Newspaper Scheme.

Newspapers get delivered to a designated box outside The Cricketers every morning (7am weekdays; 8am Sundays) with customers' names on them and customers collect them themselves. The scheme began on Sunday August 16th with sixteen different households involved. It's early days, but so far, so good!

If you'd like to join then contact Janet (860645) Ena (861039) or myself (863892). It costs £1.50 per week (50p for Sundays) and vouchers are accepted.

As with other schemes in the village this is non-profit-making. Thanks to Sally and Joe for letting us locate the newspaper box at The Cricketers. Hope you'll feel like joining. The more, the merrier!

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As the summer works its way towards the autumn months, baby scrub cutting has started on the western ramparts above Child Okeford with the help of Dorset Conservation Volunteers. The work involves cutting very small thorns and wild rose which would eventually smother the species rich chalk grassland by carpeting the ramparts with scrub. We were fortunate with the weather and stunning views as rain appeared to be falling everywhere except on Hambledon Hill.

As I type, replacement fencing works are about to start along the western boundary below the Beech avenue, using Sweet Chestnut stakes as part of a "Forth Bridge" approach to re-fencing the hill. While this takes place the 40 plus head of cattle will stay in the eastern enclosure.

Many thanks to the Hambledooners, who this month pulled ragwort on the Hill. I'm also pleased to see that the Markstone Field hedge the Hambledooners helped plant in the spring is really taking off well, particularly after the early summer weeding.

I'm really excited to tell you about our forthcoming **Hambledon Day, 11am-4pm on Sunday 20 September** in the National Trust field next to Markstone Cottages, alongside the bridleway. Preparations are now well underway. We'll have free activities for all ages about the history and archaeology of the Hill – including hands-on historical fun, reenactors, expert-led guided walks, family history trail, and local food and drinks stalls. *Entry fees are £2 adults, £1 child (under 5s free), Young Archaeologists' Club members free.* Keep an eye out for posters near you and check out the National Trust website for more information: www.nationaltrust.org.uk/hambledon-hill/.

I hope to see you at the Hambledon: History on The Hill Day.

Art Exhibition

Darren Wheeler, as many of you will know, is a turner and sculptor in wood. He uses locally sourced timber to create unique pieces, as was seen at our Arts and Crafts Show earlier this year.

Sue Bates paints in watercolours and is well known for her floral images. She is now showing a greater variety of contemporary works based on local landscapes, flora and fauna.

Sue Fawthrop's semi abstract works stem from tonal drawings made within the landscape or directly from the model. She uses various media including print and collage, searching for a wider truth and being economical with detail.

Darren Wheeler Sue Bates Sue Fawthrop



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An invitation to friends and neighbours of Steve Martin

Steve will be performing an inaugural gig of rock covers with 'Band Substance' at the White Hart, Market Cross, Sturminster on Friday 11 September, starting c. 8.30pm. It's not publicised so please email Steve at steve@chemistrie.co.uk if you'd like to attend and he'll happily send you an invitation.

Shroton Log Deliveries

Jason has contacted The Lines to reassure you that the log scheme will be back in service. Details to follow in next month's issue.

**Site Visit to Courtney Cottages
Ena Rees**

As editor of the Shroton Lines, I was invited to be shown round the renovation and redevelopment of the three houses behind the Village Hall, parts of which date back to the 16th century, by the Site Manager, Chad Mofford. Being at least as curious as most of the village, I took my chance to look around!

If you have been to the Village Hall recently you will have seen that works are going on, all very tucked away from view. The photographs give some idea of the three entrances to the individual houses in the building. The Old School House is on the far right, and has one bedroom with a possible second study/bedroom on the ground floor, as well as a bathroom on each floor. The central house, Courtney Cottage, is the largest

of the three with 6 bedrooms and 3 bathrooms, while the East Wing has 3 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms.

Chad works for Property Developer Andrew Featherstone, and explained how this project has evolved as parts of the old building have been uncovered and the extent of the renovation work required has become apparent. Whilst retaining as many original features as possible, three vertical divisions instead of overlaps and strange divides have enabled each house to be insulated and sound-proofed; all the timber work has been treated and extensive damp course work has been carried out. Some features are going to be left ready for purchasers to choose, such as whether to add a log burner, or whether to have fitted wardrobes built-in.

One of the striking impressions I took away was how space has been maximised everywhere. I really liked the practical layout of kitchens, utility rooms and storage for domestic appliances. The quality of the work and the attention to detail are impressive, including an Ashlar wall which I am told is a structural feature to "stop the bouncing" effect and stabilise the oak floors. There is provision for satellite cabling, a sophisticated sound system in Courtney Cottage, and sprinkler heads for fire safety.

Outside, the garden is to be divided into 3 separate accesses with hard standings and paths beside lawns down to a retained wall and soak away system that will protect the houses from any potential water-related problems.

The project is due to be completed quite soon, so congratulations to Chad and his team.



Thai - English Wedding Blessing

Brian and Emma Smith, who recently moved to Shaftesbury from Shroton, would like to thank all their friends and people who helped in whatever capacity to make their son Charles and Nok's wedding blessing such a lovely day. The sun shone, the church and Village Hall were at their picturesque best, and everyone enjoyed the celebratory mood of the family. Nok was determined to let her guests have a sense of the Thai wedding they had had, so she wore an English style wedding dress in church and changed into her Thai one for the reception. Best wishes to the happy couple, and to Brian and Emma in their new home.



Life Lines:

Barrie Mower

Many people will know Barrie as the charming gentleman who quietly volunteers to help with whatever village



projects are underway: he has an enthusiastic "can do" approach to life, and has the energy to match! Born in Kingston upon Thames, Surrey, he began his career by serving a 5 year apprenticeship as a coppersmith with Hawker Aircraft which became British Aerospace. There Barrie worked on the creation of the Concorde and the Harrier Jump Jet before setting up his own business in aircraft engineering with a friend. His expertise has been invaluable in his contributions to the Hole in the Wall Gang's efforts, particularly where research or financial advice has been needed. He met his ebullient and equally energetic wife, Dorothy, at a nurses' dance in Surbiton, Surrey, in 1962. They have two sons, one a TV editor who lives in Dorset and another, an accountant, who lives in Surrey.

How many years in Shroton?

Nine years.

Favourite book?

Various - *The Fall of the Giants* in the *Century Trilogy* by Ken Follett which traces the historical events through families in the First World War and novels by Wilbur Smith set in Africa, about the days of the Empire.

Taste in music?

He ran a jazz club at Hampton Court with a friend, and met Nancy Whisky and the Temperance Seven during that time and specially likes Cleo Lane. He told me he'd go without dinner if he didn't include Rod Stewart when answering this question! (Dorothy's particular favourite.)

Food Heaven?

Anything that Dorothy makes. (Get the drift? One of the secrets of a good marriage, perhaps.)

What is the most important lesson life has taught you?

Enjoy life for the moment and look to the future; don't dwell on the past.

Aside from village life, what do you enjoy doing?

Barrie is a keen golfer, attends art classes, works in stained glass and gardens, which he says is under the expert guidance of Dorothy.

Best thing about Shroton?

Being part of the Hole in the Wall Gang. (I.e. one of the renovation team of volunteers at the Village Hall.)

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