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Chairman's chat

What books would you take to read when convalescing in hospital? My sample was: a blockbuster, a travelogue and a last minute suggestion from Barbara because it was about cricket.

The blockbuster ("The Girl who kicked the hornet's nest") weighed over a kilo, and whilst quite readable, with much violent action and short chapters, required concentration to distinguish between similar surnames (Blomkvist etc). One for the long nights of a Scandinavian winter perhaps?

The travelogue ("Roads to Santiago") relied on the reader having an avid interest in the church and history of Spain. Pass.

Barbara's choice was Miles Jupp's "Fibber in the Heat" about the author's attempts to insinuate himself into the press box on an England cricket tour to India. An excellent read on many counts, with little actual cricket. The writer/ comedian is at the Tivoli on January 15th 2017.

I've booked it! John Gooch, Chairman.

Special Interest Groups

In the Library, 10am - noon. Please check the noticeboard or the website for changes to the schedule.

Thursday	November 3rd	-	Family History
Thursday	November 17th	-	Just Write
Thursday	November 24th	-	Knit and Natter
Friday	November 25th	-	Colour It
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Thursday	December 15th	-	Just Write
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- December Colour It date TBA

Postage Stamps

With Christmas looming, a reminder that the library will recycle your used postage stamps on behalf of Poole Hospital (*Collection bin in the lobby, by the door*).

Christmas & New Year Opening Dates



The library will be closed from Sunday 25th to Wednesday 28th December inclusive for the Christmas break and on Monday 2nd January 2017 for New Year.

All other opening times will be as usual.

Happy Holidays and Seasons Greetings

Summer Reading Challenge

Enthusiastic reader Megan completed the Big Friendly Summer Reading Challenge at Colehill Library AND won the draw for the Roald Dahl Dictionary!



Colehill Community Writing Project's **"Life on the Hill"** Book launch



All profits from the sale of this book go to Colehill Community Library • ccl.lifeonthehill@gmail.com

For latest information: www.colehill.gov.uk/colehill-community-library or facebook.com/colehillcommunitylibrary

New book by Janet Seal

`Tales of Wimborne & Dorset' will be available in the library shortly, priced at £6.99.

Diary Date

On Friday, 3rd March, our annual Fish & Chips evening at St Michael's Church Centre

will star Scarlet Swing, a fabulous

vintage inspired vocal harmony duo. Watch out for further details in the New Year. We're also planning more coach trips for 2017.

Tales of

Wimborne

Porset

Nature Note — Inky Wigs

Anyone spot the Lawyer's Wig that was by a tree trunk in the library gardens a couple of weeks ago? There were more, too, on the path edge in Cannon Hill woods.

Fear not – Colehill hasn't been overrun by a group of absent-minded barristers. What we have been seeing is a fungus, happily sending up multiple fruiting bodies in response to just the right weather in just the right places. Also known as the Shaggy Ink Cap, or more precisely



Coprinus comatus, they are not rare but it's the first time I've seen them in the library grounds or local woods and are a delight to see. Philatelists may also be familiar with this fungus as it's sufficiently common in Australia to have been featured on a postage stamp issued by Australia Post in 1981.



Coprinus comatus



This species is one of the 'Ink caps' group of fungi which have black spore prints and gills that liquefy, at least partially, as the mushroom matures. The resulting "ink" provides the common name for the ink caps, and can be used as writing ink, I gather. Simply getting some inky caps home to study can be a challenge, since many are so ephemeral that they appear, liquefy, and turn into black goo within a matter of hours. Thankfully, wigs on lawyer's heads don't share this character – it would make the court room awfully messy! *Christine*.

COLEHILL CONUNDRUMS ! (Part 9 - Nov.)

Kindly supplied by Jan Seal.

What was the old name for Smugglers Lane?

- A. Batchelor's Droug
- B. Furzehill Lane
- C. Colehill Droop

Where was the airfield in Colehill in 1943?

- A. Near Lonnen Lane
- B. Beside Leigh Road
- C. Along Middlehill Road

What colour were the front doors of properties when owned by the Bankes?

- A. Green
- B. Red
- C. Brown

Answers will be provided on the website from the end of November if you can't wait for the next issue!

Sept (Part 8) answers:

- B. Canadian maple
- A. Rents restricted by Rent Act
- C. Saddler
- B. Beside Glen House on Rowlands Hill

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