

# The Great Re-opening



#### PARISH NEWS

September 2021

### For the Parishes of ASHBRITTLE with GREENHAM, BATHEALTON, STAWLEY and KITTISFORD

### **Church Services**

Sunday September 5th	Trinity 14	
9.30 a.m.	Parish Communion	STAWLEY
Sunday September 12th	Trinity 15	
9.30 a.m.	Parish Communion	ASHBRITTLE
Sunday September 19th	Trinity 16	
9.30 a.m.	Parish Communion	KITTISFORD
Sunday September 26th	Harvest Festival	
9.30 a.m.	Parish Communion	BATHEALTON

Slowly but surely our services of worship are returning to something approximating "normal". Face coverings no longer need to be worn inside our church buildings and we are no longer required to be socially distanced.

However, I am sure that we will all respect the decision of those who may wish to do both of these things. For the time being at least, we will continue to receive communion in our places, thereby avoiding the close proximity of the altar rail.

The great news is that this month, we will once again re-commence HYMN SINGING! This will enable us to be in good voice for our Harvest Festivals, most of which take place next month. Do please join us for any or all of these services; you will be made most welcome.

#### Thought for the Week

If you would like to receive Rev Martin Beaumont's "Thought for the Week" email, please email *amusgrove@cantab.net* to be added to the circulation list.

### **Churchwardens and Clergy**

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### Thought for the Month

"Let your hope keep you joyful. Be patient in all your troubles and pray at all times". (Romans. 12. v12)

Never having been much good at languages at school, when I was accepted to study Theology at King's College London, I was disconcerted to discover that one whole paper (out of nine) was devoted to candidates being examined on their knowledge of two New Testament books in the original GREEK! Imagine for a moment. the sleepless nights, the hours spent mugging up vocabulary, grammar and syntax. Fortunately, we were spared the rigours of translating the complete documents. Instead we were invited to comment on a number of chosen short passages, revealing (or not in my case), our understanding of both the meaning of the passage and the underlying beliefs of the author.

I soon discovered a plan of action. If I could learn, by heart, the whole book in English and then familiarise myself with enough Greek to recognise all the well known passages on paper, I might have half a chance of limited success.

Forty-eight years later, virtually no Greek remains in the memory bank. However, I still manage to remember long passages and many quotations of both St. John's gospel and Paul's letter to the Romans, of which, "Let hope keep you joyful", is one.

For the last eighteen months, we have been sustained by hope; hope that we and our loved ones might be spared Covid 19, hope that a cure or a vaccine might be discovered and hope that the world's poorest might not be too adversely affected.

The Christian hope, of which St. Paul wrote, is firmly rooted in his belief in the providence of God. Beneath and within all that might happen to us in this life, we can discern God's loving presence.

Hope is not some desperate holding on to the unlikely or the impossible. Rather, for the Christian, hope is a way in to the future; it is the belief that whatever lies in store for us,

" nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus" (Romans. 8. v39)......another of those well remembered quotations from nearly fifty years ago!

# Two pieces of news as we move into the autumn.

You may recall that I wrote last month of the appointment of an Interim, Acting Team Rector, who will guide The Wellington and District Team during the vacancy caused by Tim Treanor's retirement. This has become even more welcome, as The Revd Selina Garner has also announced that she will be leaving the Team to take up a new appointment in North Devon in October.

The Revd Martin Kilbride, an experienced and retired priest, currently living in Taunton, will assume this new role and his appointment has been approved, unanimously, by all thirteen PCCs. His licensing will take place on Monday September 6th at 7.00 p.m. in St. John's Church, Wellington.

Do please come along to welcome Martin amongst us and to support him as he begins his new ministry. We look forward to seeing him around our villages in the weeks and months to come.

All Saints Church, Rockwell Green, is hosting an exhibition of a replica of the **Shroud of Turin**. This will include a full size copy of the original Shroud and a large number of replica artefacts associated with the Roman practice of crucifixion in the first century. Schools have been invited to come along and attend the exhibition and it will be open to the public on the week-end of **Saturday September 11th and Sunday September 12th**.

There are very few opportunities to view this exhibition and we are fortunate to be able to welcome visitors from all over Somerset.

Entrance is free and refreshments will be available.

With my best wishes,

Martin Beaumont

### **Donations for the Parish News**

Donations received from: Mr and Mrs Fisher Mark Westcott Frank and Lyn Colebrook The Enticott family

Thanks again, for your kind support.

Donations may be left at Stawley Shop or sent directly to the treasurer: details on page 31

### **Mobile Library**

Greenham Bridge

From 10.00 to 10.20

on 28th September

### The Importance of Church buildings

### *Text of a sermon given on the 8<sup>th</sup> August 2021 by the Rev Martin Beaumont*

Some of you may have read Robert Harris' latest book "The Second Sleep". Opening its pages, you are returned to a world 500 years ago, an agricultural pre-industrial England where the church and its clergy exercise both spiritual and temporal power. However, it soon becomes apparent that the society about which we read is not 500 years ago but 500 years in the future. It is not pre-industrial pre-technological rather it is a society in which technology and industry have been and gone. England has suffered some cataclysmic disaster and the things upon which we rely, power, water, food, shelter, clothes and all take for granted have disappeared. Society has reverted to one that depends upon subsistence agriculture and stone buildings.

The reason behind the power of the church is that in most towns and villages the only surviving building is the church which during the cataclysm survivors sheltered in. The church once again became the focus of a community. It offered safety and protection. People went to it to try and make sense of what had happened. The churches became places of understanding.

#### **Only A Story**

Well it's fiction. It's a story. But it also reminds us that our church buildings have survived cataclysms such as civil and world wars, pandemics, even neglect. All of them, hopefully, remain in use. All of them can provide a safe and secure environment where people come to try and understand, to make sense, and be with themselves and with what they believe to be their God.

And I believe that offering such a space, whether it be to a local community, or to visitors who pass by, this offering of shared space is a ministry. It is what the church still today has to offer, a mission. It takes time, it takes money, and it takes care, but it is something we can do for others. Looking after a church building takes an enormous amount of time and effort. Many churches across the land are doing something similar to All Saints at Rockwell Green who are raising £20,000 for the Spire at the moment. But this emphasis on preservation and maintenance of the building is only half of what is real.

The other half, the unknown, is the emotional and spiritual value preserved in our churches. It is their beauty, their witness to Christ, their inspiration to other Christians, and their silence. Nothing much happens here, and that's no bad thing. If this place is a testament to the power and wisdom of God, rather than mere human invention, it can have been of use.

Jesus recognised the value and power of a building, when he cast out the money changers. When we, in our turn, focus our attention on the same such place, we may be doing what we can, in some small way, to continue in Christ's work.

### **Churches Now Open Again**

#### An apology from Charles Doble, Churchwarden for St John the Baptist, Ashbrittle and St Peter, Greenham Churches

The Reverend Martin Beaumont gave us an inspirational sermon recently at Ashbrittle Church; which, by unanimous demand of all present, is reproduced above. This has prompted me to commit to paper something that has troubled me throughout the "Covid era" and thereafter.

As Churchwarden I am deeply sorry that our two churches have been closed. In all the time I have been responsible for these churches I have always insisted that they never be locked at any time and this situation has obtained for at least forty five years.

Notwithstanding the Covid risks, to have to fit a padlock to Ashbrittle Church which, prior to that, had no way of being locked was deeply upsetting for me. For the churches to have remained locked, for as long as they have been, denied those seeking a place of solace during this dreadful time. Nationally and locally, it side-lined the church just at a time when it should have been centre stage.

At the start of the outbreak Archbishop Welby sent out a directive that "churches **must** be closed. Sometime later, he went on the Andrew Marr show on the BBC to deny that it was an order; or, as he put it: "it was only guidance, most sensible people get that...". Really??!! Weakly, I felt I should obey with my conscience telling me I should not!

To all and especially folk who otherwise would have entered those "hallowed walls" I apologise most profoundly.

Please be reassured the *status-quo* has been restored and both our churches, in common with the other churches in our parishes, are **now open** once again.

Charles Doble Churchwarden.

### STAWLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (SCA)

### THE FUTURE OF STAWLEY SHOP AND TEAROOM

We are still working to secure the Shop's future, and would greatly welcome your help and input to make this happen

Please talk to Sally and Martin, Shop volunteers or members of the SCA if you, or anyone you know are at all interested in the Shop tenancy

Deadline for applications for the tenancy is Friday 15th October 2021 Please direct these by email to stawley.shop.sca@gmail.com

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### A couple of photographs to remind you of what our Shop has to offer our Community

- *Photo 1* Enjoying a cup of tea or some lunch outside the Shop and Tearoom
- *Photo 2* The Shop and Tearoom return to normal after lockdown, serving the usual extensive range of groceries and refreshments

### The Taliban Can.....

The Taliban can do anything they like, by the force of arms, by power of fear. They can stop the freedom and education of women, dictate what the men can and cannot do, including how they can treat their wives and families, decide what people do to enjoy their lives – no cinemas, no playing of music, no singing, no dancing. All according to how *they* interpret the Koran.

They say it will be different this time. But they did it so ferociously last time. People remember. That's why so many have been scrambling to flee from Afghanistan.

Janet Cornish lived in New Buildings, Greenham, to whom we delivered groceries every week. She died about two years ago, but, not long before that, she was sorting out her books. She wondered if we might like them in the shop, or could they go to a charity shop. Most of them were romances of the Mills and Boon variety. We didn't take books then so they went off for charity. Except for one.....

I have just recently finished reading it. Its title is "A Thousand Splendid Suns" and was written by Khaled Hosseini. It hints at romance but ends up telling a tale of bigotry, betrayal, cruelty and violence. It's about two women, married to the same man, their loneliness and growing friendship and mutual support. It is set in Afghanistan, throughout a civil war, then Russian dominance, battles between warlords, the rise of the Taliban, 9/11 and the war on terror. It tells of their escape to Pakistan, and return to a kind of peace under western supervision. Constant destruction, death, tyranny, vividly described – then survival!

It was during that quieter period that Khaled Hosseini took his family to America where he is now a doctor and works for the UN Refugee Agency. While the book is a novel, it resonates with the experience of the author. Disturbing!

It couldn't happen here, could it? Not even behind closed doors? But who thought that the Taliban would come back – and so easily?

Have you sensed, though, in our quiet liberal-minded country, strange changes? A rising control over what we can think and say, lest someone somewhere is offended? We can say what we like – in private! Outside, if we disagree with certain forms of behaviour or opinion, we have to be careful and hide our real feelings behind a burka of smiling silence. People, who don't accept the norms of the cultural intelligentsia, are banned from speaking out in places once renowned for freedom of speech! Others can freely express dislike for our past, our traditions and not be restricted! How different are we? Being manipulated by the Tellyban?

#### What do you think?

Janet Cornish was a quiet introverted lady. Had she read Mr. Hosseini's book? I wonder what she thought. Or did she stick to reading the unchallenging stories of Mills and Boon?

Martin at the Shop

### **Bathealton Parish Walk**

Sunday 26th September

Please meet at 2.00pm at the Village Hall.

The walk will be led by Stephen Cottrell with tea in the hall on return.



Spiceland is open for Heritage Day on Sunday 12th September, 2 – 5pm

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### Ashbrittle Art Group

We are a small band of budding artists and crafters who get together regularly for an informal afternoon of creativity

We are re-starting our weekly art sessions in Ashbrittle Village Hall on Wednesday 8th September

2-4pm

If you have any interest in expressing your creative talent amongst a friendly group, please come along to this first meeting and find out more

> or email Pauline Wood pjw200355@gmail.com

### **Everyone welcome**

### Wanted

Gardener for light work one day per week

Charles Doble 01 823 672 365 charles@greenandcarter.com

### Defibrillators and The Village Emergency Telephone System (VETS)

Would you know what to do if someone in your household collapsed, had a heart attack, or needed help? Within this community, we have four defibrillators which are available to anyone and they are easy to use by anyone. Quick access to a defibrillator really can save a life.

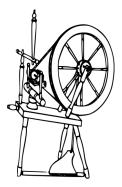
As a temporary measure in the light of the current situation, the Village Emergency Telephone System (VETS) has been converted to a helpline. If, for any reason, you require local assistance, you can ring the appropriate number for your area and, if someone is available, a local volunteer will respond.

The location of all the defibrillators and the phone numbers for the local volunteers for your area are now inside the back page of the Parish News.

With thanks to Judy Webb, Eds

### Spinning and Woolcraft Group

The Spinning and Woolcraft Group will continue to meet on a fortnightly basis (first and third Tuesdays in the month) for the near future. With the easing of COVID restrictions, we will



alternate Zoom sessions with meetings outside in a member's garden, weather permitting.

Meeting arrangements will be confirmed when the reminder email is sent out.

If you would like to join us please contact me and I will add you to the mailing list. Perhaps you would like to come along to a garden meeting and learn to spin with us?

Next Sessions Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September on Zoom Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September Garden Meeting at 2.30pm

\*\* Do you have a spinning wheel in your attic which you no longer need or use? \*\*

 Would you consider selling or donating it to our group? \*\*

Extra wheels are always useful for new members to try out the craft

Contact Pauline: on 01823 672222, email pjw200355@gmail.com

### **Temporary Road Closure**

Please be aware of a **date change** to a temporary road closure. The new date for the works to commence is **6th September 2021** and is expected to last until **10th September 2021**.

Gypsy Lane, - from the junction with Greenham Quarry Road to the junction with Thorne St Margaret Road:

Thorne St Margaret Road - from the junction with Gypsy Lane to the junction with Greenham Road:

Greenham Road - From the junction with Thorne St Margaret Road south eastwards for 1035m.

# 10 Parishes Festival and SAW Open Studio Exhibition

# Sat 11th Sept - Sun 3rd Oct 11am-5pm, (closed Mondays)

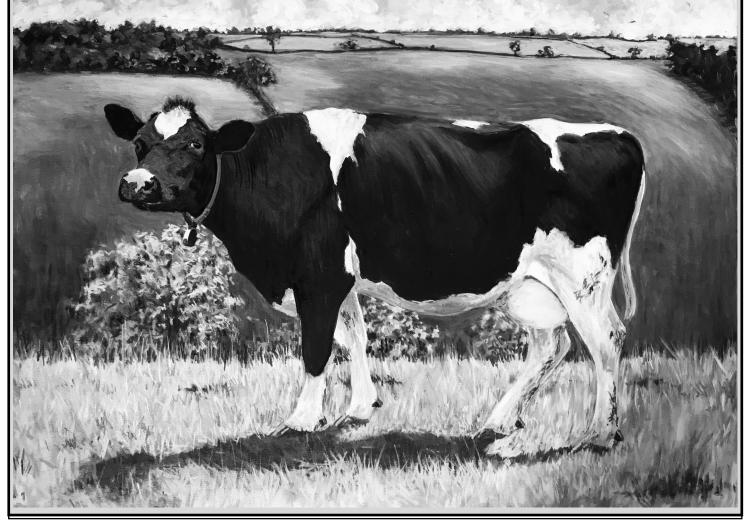
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### The Ashbrittle Yew - Exciting News!!!

#### **Stawley Flower and Produce Show**

Just a reminder about The Stawley Flower and Produce Show at the Pavilion on Sunday 5th September.

There is still time for you to enter your wonderful produce, home made jams and cakes, and your art and craft work.

If you don't have a programme (which has the entry form), copies are available at the Village Shop, or send your entries by email to *suejacoby@gmail.com* marked 'Flower Show Entry' and fees for these can be paid on the staging day.

Alternatively, entries can be left as in previous years, with the entry fees, at the Village Shop. Entries on the day will be £1 each, as we are just so busy getting everything ready, so please try and get your entries to us on time.

### Staging - Saturday 4th September, 6.00 - 8.00pm and Sunday 5th September, 8.00 -10.00am.

### General entry will be at 2.30pm.

We are very much looking forward to holding this event, and here's hoping for a fine day!

#### **Other News**

We still aren't sure when the next trips will be, but will keep you all informed.

We have had a few beautiful photographs of flowers from members' gardens, so please continue to share your creations with us when you can.

If you have any suggestions and new ideas, or any other inquiries, please contact Sue on 01823 674471, Pauline on 01823 672222,or email *stawley.gardening.club@gmail.com* 

And remember, new members are always welcome.

Pauline Wood and Sue Jacoby

### **Stawley Thoughts**

A new and complete edition of 171 pages, limited to 50 copies and including all essays by Martin Jacoby published in *Parish News* 2016-2021 by kind permission of the Editors.

For sale in The Stawley Village Shop at the cost price of £9.50 As you probably are aware, the Ashbrittle Yew is the oldest living thing in England. It grows on a mound.

I remember Jack Smith who used to keep our roads in beautiful order and was our sexton reminiscing [fanaticising?] with Bill Manning our village baker about the bodies of Roman legionaries buried under it after a battle which took place close to the village. Sometimes it was giants that Jack Smith had exposed during his grave digging escapades.

However, the site is clearly significant in antiquity: it is high, level and possesses a spring which rises under the north chancel of the church. This was piped by my forebear to below Rowcliffe Cottages and became the village water supply.

Well, now I have just commissioned a geophysical survey of the area around and under the yew so what will be revealed!!!!????

Watch this space, as they say!

*Charles Doble, Churchwarden St John the Baptist Church, Ashbrittle.* 

### **Bathealton Village Hall BBQ**

After a drizzly morning the sun shone for our first gathering of the Village for over a year - a joyful BBQ in the yard behind the Hall. We had a gathering of over 40 people which included a good crowd of our new parishioners. We are very lucky to have so many new friends.

As always, many thanks to all who helped erect gazebos, carry out tables and chairs and contributed delicious salads and wonderful desserts. And a special thank you to Steve for manning the BBQ.

Village Hall Committee.

### Freelander

A 2004 plate Freelander with 154,000 miles on the clock has been sitting in my barn for too long after being retired 5 years ago from daily use. It still goes but has no MOT.

I have just changed the oil and also filters but cannot justify keeping it any longer so it is available to go to a good home in exchange for a donation to Kittisford Church.

Contact: Paul Musgrove on 01823 672627

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Pizza evening every Friday 6 till 9 (booking recommended)

Stuart and Amanda welcome you to enjoy the gardens. Nothing better than a cool pint on a hot day.

#### Minutes of the Stawley Parish Council Meeting held at Appley Pavilion at 7:30 pm on the 5th August 2021

Parish Councillors present: Chairman, Paul Musgrove (PM), Pat Sweet (PS), Clive Wall (CW) Others present:- Two parishioners

### Finance

 $\pounds 100$  had been forwarded to the RCI as a contribution.

It was agreed that the Council should pay the membership fee of  $\pounds 83.15$  to the Somerset Association of Local Councils (SALC).

The balance of the account at the date of the meeting was  $\pounds 12,298.10$ .

### Planning

35/21/0015 - Erection of an agricultural storage building at Woodley Park, Bishops Hill, Greenham, Wellington

This application was considered at length because of the prominent position and size of the proposed barn. It was decided that the Council should object to the proposal due to these factors.

### **Reports from Members**

**Roads** – The recent strimming of road sides had missed a number of lanes. These will be reported to the County Council

**Footpaths** – The path between Greenham and Cothay requires a tree to be cleared. The Clerk will contact the owner of the path.

#### Any other Business

It was noted by the Council that there was concern about a sawmill being operated at Appley Orchard Farm. The Planning Department is aware of the concern and is investigating.

Date of Next Meeting; 2nd September at 7:30pm

### Ashbrittle Churchyard

Our churchyard has taken on a radically different appearance this year, its either a ghastly unkempt mess or a tranquil haven for wildlife depending upon you point of view! Your PCC decided we should reconsider and reimagine how we treated this significant corner of the village.

#### Here are a few facts:

1. It was costing us around £1500 or more each year to keep it mown; an unsustainable expenditure when churches across the land are struggling even more due to the Covid outbreak. Many are facing an existential threat; our two

churches are no exception.

2. Does it even "look right" to have a deeply rural churchyard trying to copy a manicured urban one?

3. Is it morally right for a church to be emitting the consequential greenhouse gases caused by petrol mowers used?

4. Should we be responsible for destroying a potentially rich wildlife habitat. The value of such spaces is nationally recognised see: *www.caringforgodsacre.org.uk*.

5. We are special, we have many visitors from the UK and overseas who come to see England's oldest living thing: The Ashbrittle Yew.

Sheep were considered but they would have to be intensively grazed for short periods with no concomitant environmental benefit.

### A new regime

So, we have a new regime! Our aim is to enhance the churchyard as a rich habitat for biodiversity by active management. This will be achieved by:

- Allowing natural growth during the spring and summer.
- Close cutting of the entire area after seeding has taken place in the autumn. This will gradually denude the grass growth allowing wildflowers to become established.

We are maintaining mowed paths to the areas of actively visited graves. (please note: the maintenance of individual graves is the legal responsibility of the relatives of those interred therein)

In actual fact we have wound the clock back to the 1950's when Bill Enticott used to scythe the churchyard in September and make hay with the grass!

Charles Doble, Churchwarden

### Village Oil Group

To place your order please email *judy.milne@btopenworld.com* or contact Judy or Michael Milne on 01823 672205.

Orders by the Sunday evening, before the next delivery day please, which will be

Wednesday 13th October

New members always welcome

### **Contact The Parish News on:**

ashparishnews@gmail.com

# Stawley Village Shop & Tea Room

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# Saturdays 8 am to 2 pm

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### September quiz

1 Who succeeded Nick Robinson, to become the first woman political editor for BBC news?

2 What is the one letter that does not appear in any US state name?

3 Mycology is the branch of biology concerned with the study of what?

4 There were four new sports in this years Tokyo Olympics: karate, sport climbing, skateboarding and which other?

5 What was Pixar's first feature length movie, released in 1995?

6 Which England footballer recently completed a transfer from Aston Villa to Manchester City for a reported record breaking £100 million pounds?

7 In a 19th century Coach House, what service would an ostler provide?

8 Which is the world's third largest ocean?

9 Anthony Gormley is famous for designing which famous sculpture located in the Borough of Gateshead in North East England?

10 There are two words in the English language containing all five vowels in order. One is 'abstemious', what is the other beginning with 'f'?

11 Trent Bridge is the home ground for which first class county cricket club?

12 Which famous liqueur is flavoured with cream, cocoa and whiskey?

13 The statue of Lady Justice atop the Old Bailey, holds what two items in her outstretched hands?

14 Which Southeast Asian country was formerly known as Siam?

15 What is the result of crossing a blackberry and a red raspberry?

16 In French cooking, what does 'en Croute' mean?

17 The leaf of which tree features on the Canadian flag?

18 The letters of the word 'allergy' can be rearranged to form three other seven-letter words. What are they?

19 Rio de Janeiro is a city in which South American country?

20 Standing at 309.6 metres (1016ft) and 72 stories high, which is the UK's tallest building, formerly referred to as London Bridge Tower?

21 A hoglet is the young of which animal, formerly (pre 1990s) referred to as pups, urchins, kits or piglets?

22 Who will replace Olivia Coleman in the role of Queen Elizabeth the second, in the next chapter of 'The Crown'?

23 Which island group includes Ibiza, Menorca and Majorca?

24 In what year did Chesley Sullenberger ditch an Airbus A320 into the Hudson River in which all 155 people aboard survived?

25 'end of mining' is an anagram of which 2003 Pixar film?

With thanks to Alan Rose. Answers on back page

### **Rainfall Figures for July (inches)**

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## Ashbrittle Arts – Everyday Magic

### Writing with Avril Silk

A chance to reflect on, discuss and write about the extraordinary events that we experience every day yet take for granted.

### **Event Contact**

Email: avrilsilk@aol.com Phone: 01823 672131

### **Booking Information**

Workshop Cost: £15 per person Please book by email or phone. (See event contact above) For those who cannot make the Saturday class, there will be a shortened Zoom session (£8) on Thursday, September 16th between 7 and 9.30pm. Booking details from Avril as above

### Venue

Engine House, Ashbrittle, Wellington, Somerset, TA21 0LF

### Workshop Details

10:30 -16:30 Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September For age 18+ years. If we cannot meet in person on the Saturday, we will Zoom. Refreshments: Drinks and nibbles provided – please bring your own packed lunch.

# Exhibition of paintings and prints by Annie Musgrove

## "Close to Home"

A selection of recent work will be exhibited

### • 10 Parishes Festival

11-19th September in the Community Centre in Wiveliscombe

Venue 20

Open 10 - 5.00 pm weekdays & 9 - 5.00 pm weekends

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# CUE THE LIGHTS! CUE THE MUSIC! LUNCH CLUB IS COMING BACK!

A warm welcome awaits you at Ashbrittle Village Hall from compère extraordinaire Liz Taylor and her talented back stage helpers



Join us on Thursday, September 30th at High Noon

You will be royally entertained

by Judy and Gerry Webb with 'THE JUDY AND GERRY SHOW'

Lunch will follow, prepared as ever by Jackie White

# Book your place with Delia Harling Telephone 01823 672203 or deliaharling123@tiscali.c.uk

Lunch Club Changes Regulars may notice a few changes, but although Liz Taylor was wanting to 'step down', we have persuaded her to remain our 'front of house', so the welcome will be the same as ever.

Liz has run the Lunch Club from the very beginning, which was probably at least 10 years ago. I hope we now have at least seven people willing to pitch in and cover all the 'back stage' jobs she did herself for many years. If you would like to join in as a helper, as well as a participant, then please let me know. Always good to have a team and if you are new to the area, a great way to get to know people.

Thank you, and thank you again Liz. We will try to live up to your exacting standards!



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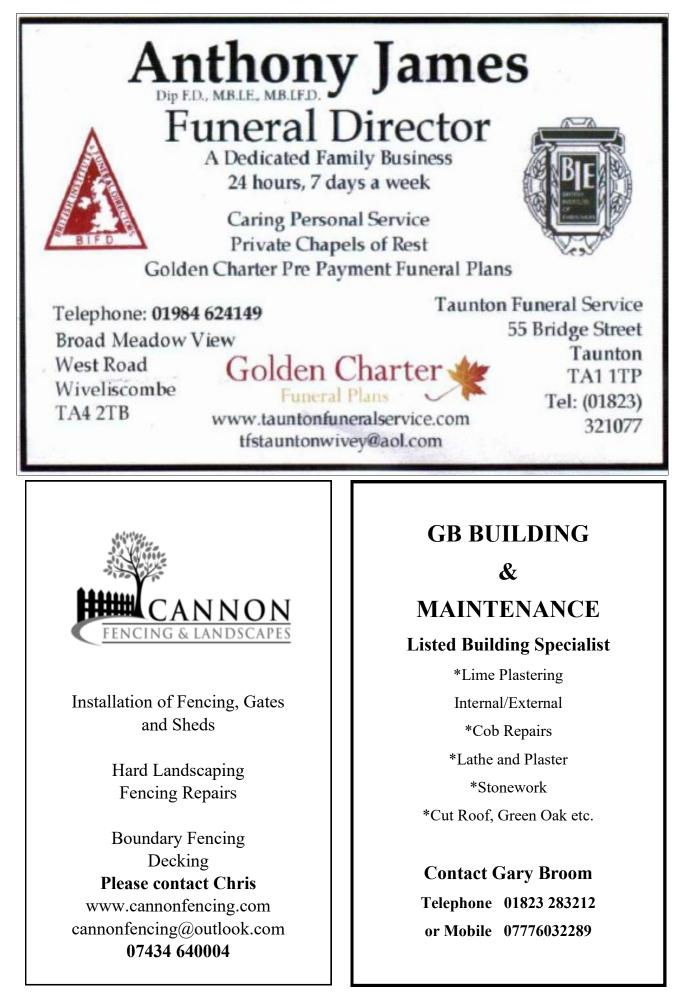
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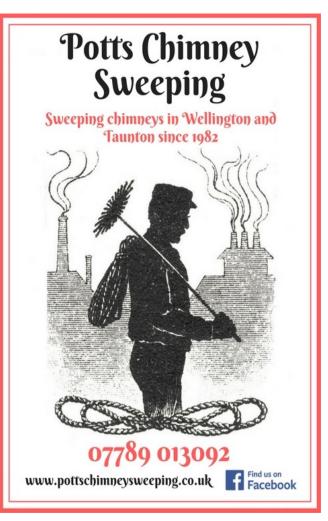
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<i>September</i> 5th	2.30 - 5.00pm	Stawley Flower Show
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7th and 21st	2.30pm	Spinning and Woolcraft Group
8th	2.00 - 4.00pm	Ashbrittle Art Group in the Village Hall
11th	10.00 - 3.00pm	Car Boot Sale, Appley Pavilion.
11th - 19th	11.00 - 5.00pm	Exhibition at Stawley Mill
11th - 3rd Oct.	11.00 - 5.00pm Closed on Mondays	Open Studio at Bicknell's, Bathealton
12th	2.00 - 5.00pm	Open Day at Spicelands
18th	10.30 - 4.30pm	Writing Workshop with Avril Silk
18th	2.00 - 5.00pm	Stawley School Festival at the Appley Pavilion
26th	2.00pm	Bathealton Parish Walk
30th	12 noon	Lunch Club, Ashbrittle Village Hall
<i>October</i> 3rd	11 am - 3.00 pm	Apple Day at Appley Pavilion

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	14 Thailand
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2 Q	16 In pastry
3 Fungi	17 Maple
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