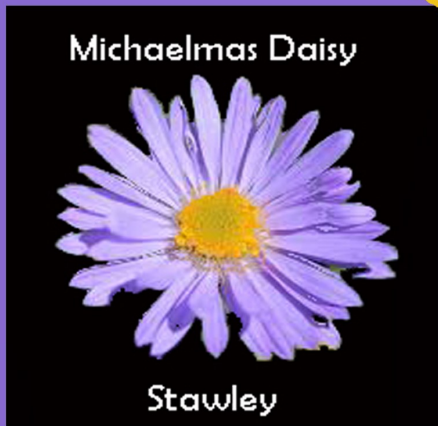




Parish news



For the Parishes of ASHBRIITLLE with GREENHAM, BATHEALTON, STAWLEY and KITTISFORD

Church Services

Sunday August 7th 9.30 a.m.	Trinity 8 Parish Communion	STAWLEY
Sunday August 14th 9.30 a.m.	Trinity 9 Parish Communion	ASHBRITLLE
Sunday August 21st 9.30 a.m.	Trinity 10 Parish Communion	KITTISFORD
Sunday August 28th 9.30 a.m.	Trinity 11 Parish Communion	BATHEALTON

In addition to the above Sunday services, there are two weddings taking place in our group, one on Friday August 12th at Ashbrittle and the other on Saturday August 13th at Greenham. We wish both couples every happiness as they begin this new chapter of their lives.

Martin Beaumont

Churchwardens and Clergy

Ashbrittle with Greenham	Charles Doble, The Old Rectory, Ashbrittle, TA21 0LQ	01823 672365
	David Hanks, Manley House, Ashbrittle, TA21 0LE	01823 672436
Bathealton	Andrew Lyle, Road Hill House, Bathealton, TA4 2AW	01984 629013
	Sarah Eustice, Oakwood, Spring Grove, TA4 1NL	01823 401248
Kittisford	Annie Musgrove, Meadow Farm, Greenham, TA21 0JW	01823 672627
Stawley	Penny Hare, Stawley Mill, Wellington, TA21 0HT	01823 672183
	Graham Henson, Court Place Farm, Stawley, TA21 0HP	01823 672496
Associate Priest	Revd Martin Beaumont, Hilltop, Milverton TA4 1JR	01823 400127
Team Rector (interim)	Revd Martin Kirkbride	07746 519311

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Thought for the Month

"God is love and those who live in love live in God and God lives in them." (1 John 4. v16)

Those words from the first epistle of St. John open the Marriage Service in the Church of England's "Common Worship".

They express the belief that those whose lives are marked by love have within them, the Spirit of the God who is Himself love. After two years of restrictions on weddings, due to Covid, this summer has seen a resurgence of couples seeking to marry in our churches and premises licensed for weddings. By the end of August, we will, I hope, have witnessed the marriages of no less than four couples in our group, a formidable number considering the extent of our combined populations.

Marriages are occasions of great joy. They are an opportunity, not only to witness the joy of a couple who seek to commit themselves to each other in mutual love, they are also times when we are privileged to be able to share in that joy and celebrate that love. Marriages are a time for the gathering together of the couples' family and friends, creating a wider community of affection and mutual loyalty.

The wider context

However, a marriage has a wider context. The Preface to the Marriage Service reminds us,

"In marriage, husband and wife belong to one another and they begin a new life together in the community."

And again,

"Marriage is a sign of unity and loyalty which all should uphold and honour. It enriches society and strengthens community".

In other words, a marriage is not simply the giving of one person to another in love. Nor is it just an opportunity for the couple's family and friends to celebrate the love and commitment of two persons. A marriage plays a part in the life of the wider community; it is a "sign" of the loyalty and unity to which human beings are called by God and by which, society is strengthened and its common life enhanced.

The experience of the Covid pandemic heightened our awareness of the merits of community. We learned afresh what it means to share our lives with others and thereby belong to something greater than the individual. We also rediscovered the value of sharing what we have

with others and the giving of ourselves, in order that the quality of the life of others may be improved.

This sharing of our lives, this belonging to something greater, and this giving of ourselves in marriage, is how our society and community is strengthened by those who choose to commit their lives to another person in mutual love.

With my best wishes,

Martin Beaumont



Quaker Meeting for Worship

Spiceland is open for Heritage Day

on

Sunday 18th September 2022

2 - 5pm

**Burial Grounds and Meeting House open
to the public**

**You are welcome to bring your own
refreshments to enjoy in the peaceful
surroundings of the grounds**



**For more information phone Ali Dominy
07810768557 or use the "contact us"
form on our website: [http://
www.spicelanduffculmequakers.com/](http://www.spicelanduffculmequakers.com/)
or email spicelandnotices@btinternet.com**

**The Religious Society of Friends
(Quakers)**

Mobile Library

Greenham Bridge

16th August and 13th September

From 9.30 - 9.50 am.

Ashbrittle Parish Council

Meeting held on Monday 20th June 2022
at 6.30pm

Councillors Present: Charles Doble (Chairman),
Jeremy Robbins, Helena Massie, Vicky Hughes
Apologies: None
Additional Parishioners Present: Pip Wilson
(JPW)

Minutes of previous meeting: The minutes of the previous meeting held on 15th February 2022 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Election of Councillors: CD, JR, HM and VH have all been nominated, completed the required documentation and were elected to the council. JPW was warmly welcomed to the meeting; he offered to serve as a parish councillor and was unanimously co-opted.

Matters Arising:

- i) Highways; no action has been taken concerning safety, access and signage on the A38 despite the best efforts of our Chairman and Sampford Arundel Parish Council;
- ii) Replacing and/or repainting the fingerposts, an estimate had been given of £3-4000 per post and further quotes will be sought.

Correspondence Received:

i) PCSO Louise Fyne sent her regular report about crime and other policing matters within our area. The next 'Cuppa with Cops' meetings at Wiveliscombe Silver Street Centre are on Wednesday, 11.30 - 12 on 10th August, 7th September and 5th October. Stawley Shop Beat Surgeries take place at 9-10 a.m. on Tuesdays 9th August, 6th September and 4th October.

Jubilee Celebrations: The Parish Council congratulated the Village Hall Committee and all the helpers who made the Jubilee celebratory tea so enjoyable for the many people who attended.

Reports from Councillors:

Highways and Planning (Charles Doble) There have been no reports of any planned surface dressing. A planning application had been received for Cards Farm, Tuckley Bridge Road for a change of use to a dwelling house; no comments were made.

Finance (Helena Massie) HM presented the end of year accounts which are now checked and closed. The certificate of exemption was signed and the minute reference is 220620 7.3. HM was thanked for all the work involved in keeping the

accounts. Charitable funding for this current year includes £100 to RCI for the maintenance of the defibrillator; £50 for the Jubilee edition of the Parish News and the Jubilee celebration expenses of £183.54.

Any Other Business: VH suggested the annual parish walk and JR will look at dates and routes for an Autumn walk.

Date of next meeting: 6.30pm on Friday 2nd September 2022 (HM to book village hall)

The meeting concluded at 7.10 pm.

Vicky Hughes (Clerk)

Ashbrittle Art and Craft Group

We are holding a monthly get-together as a self-directed group to do whatever 'arty' or 'crafty' project takes your fancy

**Painting and drawing
Clay work and Textile crafts**

Ashbrittle Village Hall At 2.00 pm

**Wednesday 3rd August 2022
Wednesday 7th September 2022**

Come and meet some local art and craft enthusiasts, see what's going on and tell us about your favourite craft

For more information, contact Pauline
pjw200355@gmail.com

Village Oil Group

The next oil delivery is due on
Wednesday 10th August

To place an order, please email:
judy.milne@btpenworld.com or contact
Judy or Michael Milne on 01823 672205 by the
Monday before the Wednesday delivery
New members always welcome

Cream Tea and Raffle



A huge thankyou to everyone for your generosity at our recent cream tea and raffle. Against the odds, the sun shone and we welcomed many visitors to the garden for a cream tea. Scones were baked by lots of different people, cream and jam donated, and our fantastic “tea ladies” worked hard all afternoon to keep the supply of tea and scones running smoothly.

We had some fabulous prizes donated for the raffle including generous prizes from the Village Shop, the Globe at Appley, Hotel Chocolat, Waitrose, the Mount Hair Salon, Chelston Nurseries and Nurtured by Nature and many more.

In total we raised £1,070 for the Red Cross Ukraine, which is a fantastic sum and a great contribution to humanitarian relief in the area. Many thanks to everyone involved.

Annie Musgrove and Rachel Oliver

Beat surgery
at
Stawley Village Shop and Tearoom



Tuesday 9th August

From 9.00 - 10.00am
with PCSO 6945 Louise Fyne

AVON AND SOMERSET CONSTABULARY

Working together to make the communities of Avon and Somerset feel safe and be safe

www.avonandsomerset.police.uk

The Prince's Award 2022

On Thursday 2nd June a group representing Stawley Rural Community Initiative (RCI) was invited to the Royal Bath & West Show at Shepton Mallet.

We had applied in a competition for an award of £1000 for a small charity. Judy Webb did a splendid job of filling in the necessary paperwork and liaising with the committee. There were ten applicants this year and the selection committee had already visited us to inspect our facilities and learn about what we do for the local communities.

We were short-listed in the last two, so were invited to Shepton Mallet to be told the result on the first day of the show. Our group consisted of Mike Parkinson, Judy Webb, Cilla Newsom and we were accompanied by George Newsom. Our work was described to the audience but unfortunately, we came second and so did not win the £1000!

However, we were awarded a Highly Commended Certificate for our efforts and the judges came round individually to commend our application.

Mike Parkinson

Bikes for Ukrainian refugees

We are looking for adult bikes in good working condition to help those arriving as refugees from the Ukraine to have a form of transport to get to work.

If you are able to help please contact Lyndsey on 07868 258113 or Kate on 07939 900065. We are only able to accept bikes that need minimal work doing to them. Many thanks.

Donations for the Parish News

Thank you for donations from:
Kevin and Julie Heard
and at the shop

Thank you again, for your kind support.

Advertising in the Parish News

£1.40 per month for a small box,
£3.00 for a quarter page,
£6.00 for a half page and
£12.00 for a whole page.

A permanent Bring & Buy Book-Bazaar In Aid of Stawley Church

Stawley Church Fête generates funds which go towards the maintenance of the Church fabric. Among the side-shows at the fête, there is usually a table or two of books, most of them fiction, which people have generously donated. Storing unsold books has been a problem – until this summer when Penny Hare offered to display them permanently on shelves in her studio at Stawley Mill. This arrangement has the advantage that the shelves can be opened instantly whenever there is a ‘happening’ at the Mill, or by appointment.

Pricing is always difficult, especially when stock is donated and proceeds charitable. This year we have experimented with the idea of a bazaar. In a market, prices are declared, and the discerning shopper can compare them at different stalls. Things are not quite so simple in a bazaar because other factors are thought to be important:

- how rich the prospective buyers seem to be
- how much they feel that they need the book
- how much the bazaar keeper has sold since opening
- how much stock of this particular category of title is left
- how urgently the cash is needed.

Sellers mostly know what they will sell at, and buyers have some idea of what they are prepared to pay. The difference is usually settled by bargaining. Bargaining is an ancient skill, and its rules are adjusted according to many influences, such as region, tradition, race, apparent financial status, and sometimes miniscule postural or ges-

tural signals. Objectivity, reason and truth are seldomly deemed relevant to such exalted transactions as buying and selling.

At our **BRING & BUY BOOK-BAZAAR**, we have selected and combined parts of the above to arrive at our own philosophy:

- we pay scrupulous attention to objectivity, truth and reason
- we accept that different books will have different values to different people, and that this value may well be better known to the prospective buyer than to us
- we have some knowledge of open market prices and will try to steer customers towards them
- we are a charity and will not stand in the way of a donation, however small
- with these thoughts in mind, we invite you to make us an offer for any book displayed on our shelves.

Some of our Categories

Art, Beatrix Potter, Biography, Caroline Lawrence, Children’s Books, Classics of fiction, Cookery, D.I.Y. (including Projects & Pastimes), Dictionaries, Fiction, Fishing, Field Sports, Gardening, History, Humour, Lifestyle, Literature, Natural History, Religion, Science, Sports, Travel & Maps.

*Martin Jacoby
martincjacob@gmail.com*

Caravan for Sale

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£2000 or nearest offer
Tel 01823 672496

Ashbrittle, Stawley & Clayhanger Cricket Club

The 1st XI have reached the semi finals of the Somerset Minor Cup, finals to be held at the County ground, it’s a bit of an ask because they have to play Yeovil 2nds. Local support at Appley on **Sunday 31st July**, starting at 11.00 am, would be very much appreciated! Refreshments available.

“Come and support your local young side plus Rob!”

August fixtures

First XI

6TH Home v DULVERTON
13TH Away v LYDEARD ST LAWRENCE
20TH Home v KILVE
27TH Home v WINSFORD

Second XI

NO GAME
NO GAME
Away v OVER STOWEY
Away v STOKE ST MARY

THE SECOND 'WEST FEST'

To be held at the Pavilion, Appley on August 28th 2022

Indoors / outdoors, From 3pm till late

Bring a picnic. A pay bar will be operating.

Open to all the Bell-West family, their relatives and friends, the local villagers,
the invited bands, their families and friends.

All the above need **prior registration** to avoid gate crashers and chaotic numbers.

Please, no drugs, no dogs.

Free tickets, in the form of wristbands, will be delivered early August

Apply 01823 672393 / 07584 519548 / stjohnwest@btinternet.com



Bridge

Nothing on the telly? Why not join one of Mid Devon's friendly clubs for a game of bridge. It's a wonderful, inexpensive way to spend an evening, meeting people and playing cards.

Tiverton Bridge Club will be running lessons for new players in the autumn.

Games are played in Tiverton (Monday evenings), Silverton (Wednesday afternoons) and Willand (Thursday evenings).

Please call Sally, Tiverton secretary, on 07891 132219 if you'd like to hear more.

Gardening Club

It has been a very busy time for club members. It began, on a glorious summer's evening, with a 'Bring and Share' supper at Martin and Sue Jacoby's lovely garden. Twenty-two of us enjoyed a garden wander, admiring Sue's colourful borders and Martin's immaculate lawn edges, before tucking into delicious fare and generous quantities of wine.

The occasion provided a perfect occasion to thank Sue and Pauline most warmly for so skilfully running the Club for several years.

We then moved to a discussion of the Club's future, chaired by Val. The first task was to establish a programme for the remainder of the season, before turning to the knotty subject of Club leadership! It was unanimously agreed that Di Roberts would act as the new Programme Co-ordinator, Val Wall would provide 'press services' (mainly providing copy for the Parish News and sharing garden news with members) and Pauline Wood kindly volunteered to remain as Treasurer.

It was also agreed that these roles would last for a period of two years only, after which new volunteers would be sought.

Sanders Garden Centre.

Our first visit began with coffee and lunch, for five, at Sanders Garden Centre near Brent Knoll. This was followed by a visit to The Coastal Succulents Nursery in the nearby village of Rooks Bridge, where other members joined the group, though sadly not Shelley Ward, the instigator of the visit, who had succumbed to Covid. The fascinating collection of rare and unusual plants, with prices ranging from £4.50 to £500, was much enjoyed. Although it was impossible to resist some purchases, the higher priced ones were resisted! It was a good day.

Hampton Court Flower Show.

Penny Stanbury organised a coach trip to the Hampton Court Flower Show. She reports that the five members found the day hot and the journey long, deciding to walk the final three miles to beat the queue of traffic. Although the marquee was busy and hot, the gardens were enjoyed, despite the depressing plethora of wilding and the possible shape of things to come. Sue Kent, the disabled gardener featured on Gardener's World, took the People's Choice award. Her garden was small and perfectly formed with her daisy inspired interest. Finally, an attempt was made to convince Liz to buy a glamorous, glass shaded summerhouse. Though unsuccessful, the comfortable sit-down during negotiations was much appreciated - the salesman wasn't fooled!

East Lambrook Manor Gardens The final visit, organised by Val, was to East Lambrook Manor Gardens, near South Petherton. 16 members enjoyed a leisurely (= generous term for slow service!) pub lunch, before meeting with Mike Werkmeister, the Garden's owner, who generously offered to give us a fascinating introduction to the Garden and its history. The Garden is listed by English Heritage as a Grade I Listed Cottage Garden. As such, it is the only cottage garden in the category in the country, so is very special. It was designed by Margery Fish, the grande dame of cottage gardens and author of many books (we were treated to seeing the first edition of these!). The garden only covers 1.5 acres, but its intricate design makes it feel much larger. It hosts an eclectic range of plants, some of which were first bred at the Garden. A small nursery stocks a range of unusual varieties at very modest prices. Needless to say, the visit ended with tea and cakes before members returned to their cars, armed with precious purchases!

Next months

A visit to a member's garden is planned for August and a visit in September, most likely to the wonderful gardens and landscape, of the National Trust's Tyntesfield.

Just a reminder that The Flower Show will be held on Sunday, 11th September. Details are reported elsewhere.

Val Wall & Di Roberts

Stawley Flower Show

The Stawley Flower Show will be held on Sunday 11th September at Appley Pavilion. Schedules and entry forms will be enclosed with this Parish News and more copies are available at Stawley Village Shop.

We are pleased to be able to reproduce Phoebe Burrige's winning picture for this year's programme cover in colour and hope you enjoy it!

There are a couple of new rules for 2022 – by request.

- Only one entry per person per class
- Married couples must make separate entries.

Calling all 2021 Trophy Winners! Please could you be sure to have your trophy engraved and polished (where applicable) ready for this year's winners to receive. Either bring them to the Pavilion on the day or bring them to Church Cottage, Stawley or let me know and I will arrange to collect them from the Village Shop.

Sue Jacoby



**STAWLEY FLOWER
&
PRODUCE SHOW**

Sunday 11th September 2022 at 2.30pm

An afternoon for all the family:

Cream teas & cakes

Raffle - Plant Stall

Auction of produce

Appley Pavilion TA21 0HH

**Schedules and entry forms
available**

from Stawley Village Shop

or Sue Jacoby suejacoby@gmail.com

07471 202978

**COME AND ENJOY AN AFTERNOON
AT APPELEY PAVILION!**

Some 'Sage' advice



With their exceptional diversity of habit and colour, *Salvias* provide a rich and rewarding experience for every gardener; with flowers of blue hues to rival those of the gentian as well as rich reds, pinks, whites and yellows, even almost completely black! From plants small and compact enough for an alpine garden, through herbaceous perennials to shrubs of two to three metres in height. Add to that some remarkably scented and textured leaves as well as culinary and medicinal applications and you have one of the most spell-binding and important genera of plants that you can grow in your garden.

Although there are over 900 species of *Salvia* worldwide, many are just not hardy enough to survive our winter climate without heated glass. Many species that come from Mexico flower exceedingly late, often November or December when it would be cooler in their home country but nearly always frustratingly cut down by frosts in the UK, just before flowering. They are, generally, easy to propagate from soft and semi-ripe cuttings and also in many cases from division or from seed. For most garden-worthy species and cultivars it is their later flowering which gives them great value in the herbaceous border, for pot-work and even in the woodland garden. Most *Salvia* species, gratifyingly, are very tolerant of a wide range of soils; even clay and thin alkaline soils, though a good supply of humus is recommended as moisture retention is very important for most to thrive.

Here are my five favourites, all are good starting points for what many horticulturalists see as the ultimate collector's plant.

***Salvia patens* 'Guanajuato'** The 'Gentian Sage' is native to Mexico and has been long cultivated in this country and was noted by William Robinson in his book 'The English Flower Garden' for its intense royal blue flowers "being surpassed by none and equalled by few other garden flowers".

The form 'Guanajuato' was only relatively recently introduced and is considerably taller and with larger flowers of rich royal blue, impressive triangular leaves. Though *Salvia patens* as a species is often treated as an annual and is easily grown from seed, they will overwinter in milder climates and form tubers similar to Dahlias.

Salvia sclerea* var. *Turkestanica 'Clary Sage' is native to southern Europe and parts of west and central Asia and has also become naturalized in northern Europe and America. Its history goes back into antiquity with the Greeks using it medicinally and more recently, the oils being extracted for flavouring and for the preparation of incense. A robust, hardy and vigorous plant often grown as a biennial but frequently becoming a short-lived perennial, it has large hairy grey-green leaves which are topped by vast inflorescent bracts of pink, lilac, mauve and white tones. These give off a strong musky scent, particularly in warm sunshine, which some find unpleasant but I rather like! They will seed around your garden if they like you and they can be a little thuggish in nature.

***Salvia involucrata* 'Bethellii'** Another Mexican species, the 'Rose-leaved Sage' is a fairly tall, robust and woody perennial which has grey green ovate felted leaves on stout, square stems topped with cerise-rose tubular flowers encased in pink bracts in late summer up to the first frosts. In the South West they will overwinter for many years if given some woodchip, ashes or compost mulch around the roots and crown. They are easy to propagate from soft and semi ripe cuttings and division of over wintered clumps in spring.

***Salvia Leucantha* 'Purple velvet'** 'The Mexican bush sage' is a half hardy perennial which produces numerous long stems with lanceolate silverish-green leaves (heavily felted with whitish hairs underneath) topped with graceful arching inflorescences of velvety purple. A really useful and beautiful plant to use in pot-work and container displays but will need to be over-wintered under glass.

***Salvia* 'Amistad'** This herbaceous salvia has become somewhat ubiquitous in borders and large pot-work displays in recent years. Its tall, robust habit and flowers of the richest purple set in calyces of the darkest, metallic near-black which continue from mid-July until the frosts come, have made it indispensable to many gardeners. It is fairly hardy and best if not cut back too hard during winter. Best to protect the crown with mulch and cut back in late spring when the new growth is seen bursting forth. It is easily propagated by division and from basal cuttings.

John and Julie Ridgely



Chipstable Village Hall Summer BBQ



Saturday August 27th 2022-12.30pm

Chipstable Village Hall,

Waterrow - TA4 2AX



A great way to spend a sunny Saturday afternoon. A range of BBQ dishes with plenty of Vegetarian options will be provided, including a selection of tasty salads and homemade desserts. Please bring your own drinks.

A **free raffle ticket strip** is included in the price. Simply keep and exchange the ticket stub on the door. There are some **fantastic prizes** to be won.

Tickets can be purchased from Liz Kilbride at St Andrews café on Thursday Mornings. Alternatively you can call - Sarah on 01398 361202, **Priced at only £8 for adults £4 for children**

We look forward to seeing you there!!!

Technology to the rescue

Get your self - or anyone you think may be vulnerable - a smart watch. I had a nasty fall down some stone steps at my daughter's flat in London a couple of weeks ago. My watch 'felt it' and sent an alarm: 'Have you had a fall - are you OK?'

Because I didn't respond, it sent an alarm to the Police who rang my number and it sent outline details to Gerry (who fortunately was with me) but the Police took over the emergency call and an ambulance arrived in eight minutes. I was having a brain scan within an hour.

A widowed friend of my brother's spent three days on the floor of his flat with a broken pelvis and out of reach of his phone, before his son realised that something must be wrong.

Judy Webb

Foster Homes needed

There are children in our Somerset community who urgently need local foster homes, to allow them to continue attending their current school or college, and maintain stability in their lives. Anyone over the age of twenty one can be a foster carer, and there is no upper age limit – we have carers of all ages, from twenty one all the way up to eighty years old.

What matters most is that you have the time and patience to support a vulnerable young person in care. In return, you'll receive a weekly fee and allowance, as well as ongoing support from a dedicated Supervising Social Worker (for example, Mr Smith fosters nine year old Theo, and his fifteen year old sister. He receives £376.82 per week in allowances and £181.80 per week in fees). You'll also need a spare room, but you do not need to be a homeowner. You can foster if you are private renting or living in a Council or Housing Association property, and we may be able to discuss the possibility of a larger property with Homefinder if you don't currently have a spare room.

For more information on fostering, please visit www.fosteringinsomerset.org.uk or call 0800 587 9900 for an informal chat with one of our friendly team.

*Abbie Kettles, Senior Social Work Assistant –
Fostering in Somerset*

Rainfall Statistics for June

2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
0.66	4.90	4.66	2.60	2.56

Val Coots

The Parish News

Many thanks to those of you who have shown appreciation for the 'Jubilee supplement', most of the credit of course must go to Avril who produced it.

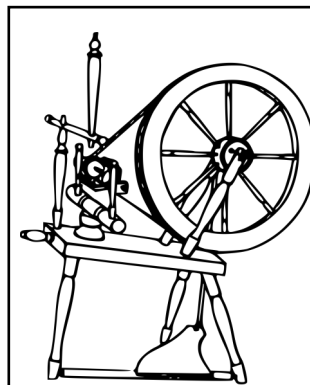
And thanks also, to the Parish Councils who funded the extra cost.

You will be interested to learn that a copy of the supplement was welcomed by Liz Grant, County Archivist and will be included in the archive as an element in the Jubilee Parish Portraits section.

Our own archive

We hold digital copies of the Parish News, going back to 2007. We were recently asked for information about a topic that arose in 2011 and were able to search the relevant copies and come up with an answer.

Eds



Spinning and Woolcraft Group

The group have been holding some meetings 'in person' at members' houses where a large and well ventilated indoor space is available, but there may still be the need to have a Zoom meeting from time to time.

Meeting arrangements will be confirmed in advance 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 and learn to spin with us?


Next Sessions

Tuesday 2nd and 16th August 2022
at 2.30pm

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

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Minutes of RCI meeting Wednesday 6th July 2022

Welcome: The Chairman hosted the meeting which could take place face to face, the first for some time.

Present: Michael Parkinson, Chairman (MiP), Pauline Wood, Treasurer (PW), Judy Webb, Secretary (JW), Ann-Marie Paterson (AMP), Martin Perry (MP)

In attendance: Cilla Newsom (CN),

Apologies : John Hannon (JH); Laura Burrow (LB)

Correspondence: A Highly Commended Certificate had been received from the Bath and West Show Society following the submission of our Project for the Prince of Wales Competition in which the RCI was placed second. MiP undertook to get it framed and put up in the shop.

Minutes of the last meeting: Were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

Accounts: The Treasurer submitted her report showing the RCI Account's balances as 6th July 2022 as follows:

RCI:	£636.29
Active Living:	£914.72
Youth Club:	£502.95
Total:	£2053.96

PW reported that a significant amount – over £300 – had been received in donations. The Charity Commission Annual Return had been completed and submitted on time and had included a request for details on handling charitable money.

(PW subsequently reported that a total of £650 had been received from Easy Fundraising)

Invoices for funding the annual maintenance of DeFibs and VETS would be sent to Parish Councils.

The Chairman thanked PW for her work as Treasurer.

VETS:

JW undertook to update the VETS volunteers to remind them about the scheme and because some had left the area

Reports:

Lunch Club had continued successfully and PW reported that, with a 'Home' speaker (ie.no fees demanded), costs broke even at 15 attendees, which was normally easy to achieve.

Walking Group was still not meeting regularly at the moment.

Oil Group – continued to be very worthwhile, particularly in the light of increased fuel prices and gratitude was expressed to the Milnes for their work in maintaining the group.

Walks Project – donations still coming in

Art and Crafts Group now meets monthly. Two new members had recently joined.

Youth Club – The initial meeting on 22nd April was not well attended but LB continued to be positive about it and a report would be requested from her

AOB. There was discussion about Welcome Packs being given to new residents and MiP assured the meeting that he continued to distribute them.

Annual maintenance Fees for all four DeFibs, including the one on the Shop, needed to be checked on; JW undertook to follow this up.

The next meeting will take place at 8.00 pm on Wednesday 5th October 2022 at The Cruck Barn, Apley.

Michael Parkinson

Lunch Club

In our last Lunch Club we concentrated on Climate Change. Dr Terry Abbiss gave a talk addressing the reasons for climate change, explaining some of the basic principles very helpfully in non-scientific terms. We were able to take home the text of the talk together with a most useful set of diagrams which had been displayed. Lots of animated questions followed and clearly the topic was of interest to all.

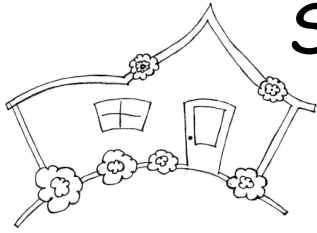
Jackie White, our cook, produced yet another delicious meal. The talking continued throughout and until well after the meal was cleared away, when people sat around their tables apparently reluctant to break up the companionable atmosphere.

In August the pre-lunch time has been handed over to Avril Silk. Please read her advert on the opposite page for all the details. If you would like to join us please let me know in advance. As ever we meet on the last Thursday of the month, 25th August, at 12.00 noon.

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I'm not Lauren Laverne, alas, but on August 25th, as preparation for
a writing course I am running in the autumn, called The Soundtrack of Our Lives,
I will be asking Lunch Club members to share the stories behind their favourite songs.

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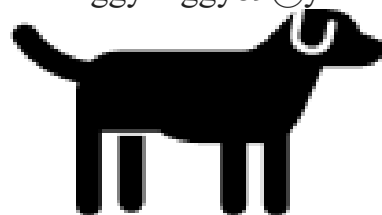
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