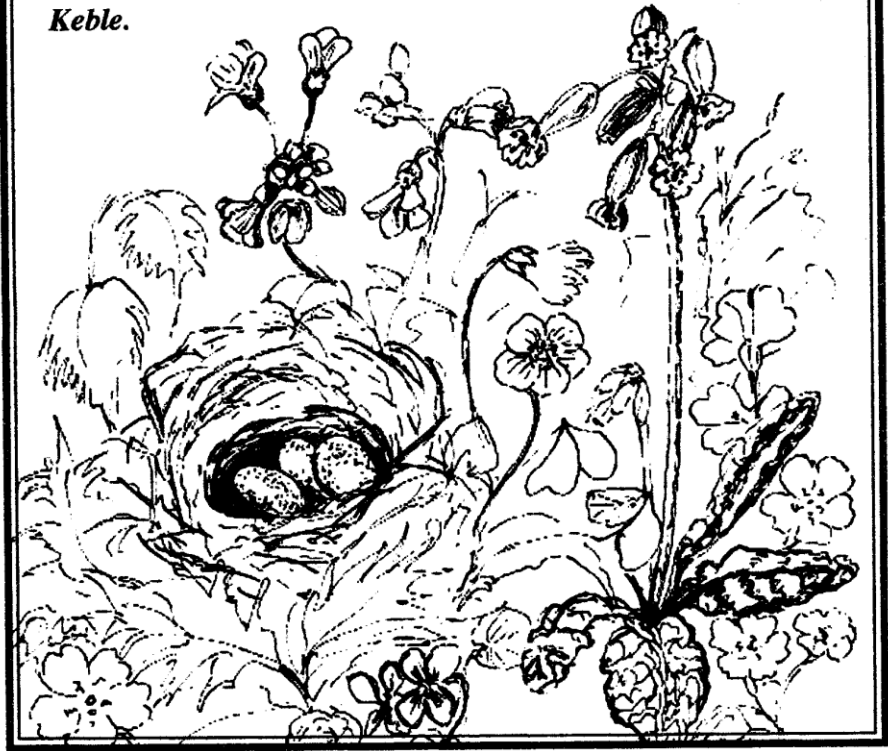


THE
ROUNDAABOUT
CHURCH AND COMMUNITY MAGAZINE

*"Soon oer' their heads blithe April airs shall sing;
A thousand wild flowers round them shall unfold;
The green buds glistern in the dews of spring,
And all be vernal rapture as of old"*

Keble.



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Why Holy Week?

Our annual journey through Lent is almost over and the great celebration of Easter upon us. As we prepare to travel through Holy Week we will think about the last week of Jesus' life and try to understand some of his journey; from the triumphant entry to Jerusalem, the Passover meal, the emotions in Gethsemane, the depths of betrayal, and the pain of the crucifixion to the heights of Easter Sunday and beyond.

It is this journey through the week that is so important to understanding our faith and our God. Some of the services may not be easy, especially those on Good Friday, when we are led into thinking about, and maybe sharing some of the pain and betrayal of Jesus (obviously just a small echo), but how can we truly celebrate Easter Sunday unless we have shared some of those depths?

Our own life journey is filled with highs and lows. It is true that unless we experience some of the low points we can't really appreciate the high points. It is the contrast between these experiences that makes our lives what they are. It is the same at Easter – how can we celebrate the risen Christ unless we stand with the crucified Christ?

So this Holy week I encourage you to spend some time contemplating Jesus' earthly journey; maybe you could come to some Easter services you have never been to before (details are in this magazine), or maybe just spend some time reading the Easter Story. But whatever you do, prepare to enter into the journey to face the pain and uncertainty, and then get ready to appreciate the joy, wonder and hope of Easter Sunday and beyond.

Chris Butler



PRAYER FOCUS

We give thanks for the beautiful and historic church buildings in our villages, and for all those who give of their time to care for them, the church wardens and treasurers; those who clean and arrange flowers; and those who look after the churchyards and gardens. These are places of peace and tranquillity for us all to enjoy any day of the week.

BIBLE READINGS

5 th April	Acts 10: 34-43	Mark 16: 1-8
12 th April	Acts 4: 32-35	John 20: 19-end
19 th April	Acts 3: 12-19	Luke 24: 36b-48
26 th April	Acts 4: 5-12	John 10: 11-18

THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETINGS

Our churches are continuing the annual review process and Annual Parochial Church Meetings. If you are interested in supporting the people and work of the church, please come along to Dinder to see what has happened over the last 12 months and what we will be thinking about over the next year. Everyone who is on the Church Electoral Roll is welcome to join in these meetings, which begin with a short public meeting for the election of Churchwardens. Nomination forms for Churchwardens and Parochial Church Council Members are available in the churches.

Dinder APCM Monday 13th April at 7.30pm in the church (beginning with a short evening service).

PRAYER AND A PINT

**The next meeting will be on MONDAY 13th April
at Crossways Inn North Wootton at 8pm**

Prayer and a Pint is an opportunity for discussion/learning in a relaxed atmosphere every 2nd Monday each month and everyone is very welcome.

For further details or information please contact
Chris Butler 01749 899061 butlerchristine19@gmail.com

3rd May	Easter 5	
9.30am	Holy Communion	Dinder
11.00am	Family Service	Pilton
11.00am	Family Service	Croscombe
11.00am	Holy Communion	North Wootton

HOLY WEEK and EASTER SERVICES

Holy Week begins with a United Service for the four churches at Pilton at 11.00am on Palm Sunday, 29th March.

A quiet service of Compline will take place at North Wootton Church at 7.30pm on Monday 30th, Tuesday 31st March and Wednesday 1st April.

On **Maundy Thursday, 2nd April**, in a service of Holy Communion at **Croscombe Church at 7.30pm**, we shall follow further events of Holy Week as we mark the Last Supper that Christ shared with his disciples **Good Friday** services will be held at **Dinder at 12noon, North Wootton at 2.00pm** and **Pilton Parish Church at 7.30pm**.

On **Easter Sunday** we will celebrate the Resurrection with services of Holy Communion in all our churches: **Pilton at 8.00am, Dinder at 9.30am, and Croscombe and North Wootton both at 11.00am**.

There will also be a service of **Easter Praise at Pilton at 11.00am**.

Everyone is very welcome at any of the services to celebrate this very special season.

Dinder and Dulcote Sunday Club Easter Activities

Good Friday, 3rd April **'Making the Easter Garden'**

Dinder Church 10.00am - 11.30am

Please come and join us for the annual making of the Easter Garden, to be displayed outside the church over the Easter weekend. This will be followed by hot cross buns. Parents are welcome to come and join in. Children under 3 will need an accompanying adult.

Easter Service and Easter Egg Hunt, Sunday 5th April

After the service there will be the traditional Easter egg hunt! All children from any parish are welcome at the service and the hunt afterwards. All children would need an adult to accompany them to the service and the hunt.

Sunday Club

We have not met in Dinder since January and are looking forward to seeing everyone on 19th April.

Sunday Club is from 10.30am at the Village Hall for children birth to 13 years. Children under 3 years need to have an adult accompany them. Children from any parish are most welcome. Please feel free to come even if you can't come every month, or haven't been for a while! For further information please contact Becky Gilbert 676739.

YOS will not be meeting in April as the first Friday falls on Good Friday. We look forward to seeing you in May.

ABOUT PEOPLE

We are glad to welcome new people to our villages. We hope that you settle happily and we look forward to seeing you at village events. We send our good wishes and prayers to anyone who is unwell at the moment, whether you are at home or in hospital. We remember those receiving treatment and those awaiting the results of tests.

Congratulations to Jane and Roy Thorne! They would like to thank all their family and friends who helped them celebrate their Golden Wedding on March 13th.

Funeral

A service was held in Pilton Parish Church on 24th February to commend **Henry Myles** to God.

We are sad to record the deaths of **Francis Lambert**, formerly of Honeymead, Croscombe and of **Daphne Cade**, formerly of Bread Street, Pilton.

We send our loving sympathy to their families and friends.



Thank you to everyone who supported Fairtrade Fortnight. I still have a large quantity of items in stock so if you were unable to purchase anything during Fairtrade Fortnight, it is not too late! Catalogues are available and any items can be delivered at all times.

phone: 01749 890561 or e-mail: hilary.austin2@btinternet.com for any enquiries.

Do you run a local care and support service? Do you sell care products? Or do you organise a support group in your local area?

Somerset County Council is encouraging hundreds of local services providers and voluntary agencies to register their details by April. Somerset Choices will initially focus on adults' services and support (including social care, physical health, mental health and much more) and those relevant to Children will be uploaded shortly afterwards. Sign up at infoandadvicewebsite@somerset.gov.uk.



FRIENDS of ST MARY'S, CROSCOMBE

'Friday Night is Music Night'

Friday 24th April 7.30 pm in Croscombe Church Room

Is your tiny hand frozen? Are all women fickle? We are delighted to invite you to the next in our series of popular music evenings. This month Terry is entertaining us with a selection of **Operatic Arias, Duets and other delights**. Programme notes will be supplied. Wine and tea/coffee and nibbles served after the music. The music will last about 50 minutes.

Because space is limited, admittance is **by ticket only**. These are available from the Churchwardens (345405 or 345222), are free to Friends and £3 to others.



Save the Children

House-to-House Collection week: **26th April – 2nd May** in Pilton, North Wootton and West Compton. The collectors look forward to catching up with you during collection week.

Liz Mayhew



Christian Aid Week this year will be
10th – 16th May

There will be events in each of the villages during the week.

Tuesday 12th May – coffee evening at Ruth Eavis' in Pilton

Friday 15th May – soup, puddings and 'Our favourite things'
in the evening at Dinder Village Hall

Saturday 16th May – coffee morning at Jan Hodge's, Croscombe

Sunday 17th May – cream teas at North Wootton Village Hall

(More details of all events in the May Roundabout.)

We are always looking for people willing to collect during Christian Aid Week and if you feel you are able to help please contact Hilary Austin on: 01749 890561.

Material for Roundabout

We are very pleased to receive material for the magazine, both by email, hand written and especially in Word attachments. Sometimes emails disappear into the ether so if you do not receive an acknowledgement from one of our editorial team within two days of sending, please try again or contact us direct to ensure that it has been delivered.

Take the Election prayerfully and seriously

Elections are in the air. No, don't turn over the page! I'm not joining the pre-election morass of words and promises. Though I do support my fellow bishops in our Pastoral Letter that caused such a fuss in February. You can find it on the diocesan website if you haven't seen it. The basic message is: politics has become somewhat sterile and self-interested – so turn out and vote to improve things.

But there are other elections also happening. In your parish church, the Annual Parochial Church Meeting is an opportunity to choose churchwardens and church council members. And, maybe, even stand for election yourself. It's too easy in church life to grumble about how 'they' do things: but perhaps the right thing is to offer to take part and help to do it better.

Then there are elections to Deanery Synods. The old joke is that a Deanery Synod is 'a collection of people waiting to go home'. I would like that to change to 'a collection of people listening to God and each other'- as together we navigate the tricky waters of the future of our churches.

Actually, your Deanery Synod members are rather important. They have to elect a new Diocesan Synod this year – and I am very keen that our Synod helps grasp the many opportunities and challenges that the Church is currently facing.

And lastly, a new General Synod is to be elected this autumn. Any church member can be a candidate, but Deanery Synod reps are critical, because they actually choose who gets elected.

So, take the General Election prayerfully and seriously. But please also take our church elections seriously too. You might be one of the people God is calling to serve his church by taking on a role as PCC member, Deanery, Diocesan or General Synod representative. It could be you! That is something to think and pray about.

With warm best wishes

+Peter Bath and Wells

PILTON PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

Election of Parish Councillors. An election of 9 Parish Councillors is to be held on Thursday 7th May if contested. Forms of nomination papers may be obtained from the Returning Officer at the Election Office, Mendip District Council Offices, Cannards Grave Road, Shepton Mallet BA4 5BT and returned to the Returning Officer not later than 4.00pm on Thursday 9th April.

Annual Parish Meeting. Wednesday 22nd April at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. All are welcome to hear the various reports and after the formal business enjoy cheese and wine to make this a social occasion.

Next Meeting. Wednesday 1st April in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Jean Warry, Clerk

NEWS FROM CROSCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

www.crocombe-parish.co.uk

Community Flood Plan – Somerset County Council has identified Crocombe as a potential flood risk area. Therefore, the Council will be signing up to their Flood Plan and will identify areas that might need support from the humble broom to a small pump. Hopefully, no support will be needed.....

Green space protection - We are in the process of protecting our green spaces using the Open Spaces Society. Once designated, the Local Green Space is subject to the same restrictions for new development as Green Belt land. We will also use the Neighbourhood Plan to reinforce our green spaces as protected areas.

Hilary Shergold

Next Meeting. - 7.30 pm on 8th April in the Church Room. All are welcome.

PILTON PLAYING FIELD TRUST

The Pilton Playing Field Trust A.G.M. will be held on the evening of **Monday 20th April at 7.30pm in the Pavilion** at the Playing Field. An Agenda will be available 21 days before the meeting and the public are welcome to attend although contributions will be at the discretion of the Chairman.

NEWS FROM WEST PENNARD CE PRIMARY SCHOOL OUR SUCCESSFUL BOOK WEEK

Book Week at West Pennard Primary School had a 'read to your pet' theme this year. This term we have linked up with Siobhan Jefferson from Jefferson Dog Training on a 'Listening Dogs' programme. Children are invited to share their love of reading by reading stories to volunteer dogs. The concept of 'Listening Dogs' not only makes reading time fun but helps to develop children's self-esteem and passion for reading. All the children taking part in this scheme enjoy and look forward to their time with one of the listening dogs.

Book Week began with a special assembly when the children enjoyed a talk given by Siobhan about the scheme and how to approach dogs. Afterwards some of the children met the listening dogs, Mr Darcy and Purdy, and read to them. During Book Week the children were also asked to bring in a photograph of themselves reading to a pet. The range of pets included chickens, guinea pigs, cats, frogs and even goldfish! The year 6 group 'The Children's Reading Society' also set the task of designing a pet-themed bookmark to win a book of their own choosing. As always, the entries were of a very high standard.

Our children love reading and enjoy our annual book week. This year was even more exciting as their pets were involved too!

Helen Burchell Headteacher



CROSCOMBE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

We are very proud of our OFSTED report which you can find on the school website, www.croscombeprimary.co.uk : everyone deserved this good report.

At the end of February our Year 5 children spent an enjoyable afternoon at Whitstone School. They planted cherry trees and discussed how chlorophyll creates energy.

March began with all sorts of activities based on our celebration of Book Week. One day we concentrated on stories from around the world and were very grateful to the visitors who came to share their stories from other lands and cultures with us. On March 5th staff and children dressed as characters from a book and brought their book to show everyone and that evening it was back to school in pyjamas and onesies for a bedtime story – teddies could come too and the hot chocolate and cookies were very much enjoyed. The Friday exhibition of the children's work during Book Week showed a rich variety of experiences.

CROSCOMBE VILLAGE HALL

is holding a **Coffee Morning**

at the Hall on **Saturday 18th April** at 10.30 am.

There will be a Raffle and a Table Sale and all are most welcome to come and keep the ball rolling on our efforts to raise funds to improve the Hall.

We appreciate the interest and support we have already received from Croscombe residents and are planning other events, for instance, a Grand Raffle to be drawn on Fun Day, 11th July and a Concert by the Croscombe Orchestra on 26th September in the Hall. We would welcome and encourage anyone who wishes to take on an individual event for the benefit of the Hall such as The Croscombe Society's Quiz Evening held on 19th March.

Our fund-raising is slowly progressing and we hope to have a "thermometer" style indicator placed outside the Hall.

From small beginnings

Charges for the Hall

Every two years the charges for the Hall are reviewed, the last increase being January 2013; and at the most recent meeting of the Village Hall Committee on 10 March, among other matters, it was agreed to increase the charges for the Hall by 3% as from 1 April 2015, rather than by the RPI figure of 5.74% (August 2012 to July 2014).

St George & the Dragon Festival, Croscombe Thursday April 23rd – Sunday April 26th

Re-establishing a tradition from the late 1500's, we are celebrating our second St George & the Dragon Festival on St. George's Day, Thursday April 23rd, running until 6pm on Sunday April 26th. Educational lectures, music, dance, food, drink, story-telling and a stone-carving festival are included. Speakers include Rev. Alan Armstrong (Thu 3pm), Dr. T. Hopkinson-Ball (Fri 3pm), Christopher Somerville (Sat 3pm), the Langport Mummers (Thu 7pm), Beetlecrushers Clog Dancers (Thu 8pm), Stone-carving festival begins Friday 5pm until Sunday 5pm, music Thur-Fri-Sat night, medieval feast Sat night, charity auction of dragon carvings Sunday 5pm, proceeds to Mendip Multiple Sclerosis Society. Details from The George, tel 01749 342306, www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk

EVENTS AT OUR VILLAGE PUBS AND CLUB

The George Inn, Crocombe

Opening Hours

Mon-Thur 10am-3pm, 6pm-11pm

Fri 10am-3pm, 5pm-12 midnight

Sat 11.30am - 12 midnight.

Sun 11.30am – 11 pm

Easter Sunday 5th April – MS Charity Quiz 8pm

Steak Night every Wednesday - Two steaks for £22.95

Thursday April 23rd – Sunday April 26th

St George & the Dragon Festival

Thursday April 30th Chinese Buffet Night £15 book in advance

Pilton Working Men's Club

We are pleased to welcome Jackie Rose as catering chef.

Sunday 12th April – Sunday Lunches

Sunday 19th April – Sunday Lunches

Numbers will be limited on a booking system. Please contact Natasha on 01749 890162, 899557 or e-mail: piltonvh@gmail.com

Check for further 'in-house' catering.

Music events at PWMC

Saturday 11 April – Glastonbury Festival Emerging Talent

Saturday 18 April – Oas-is from 8.00 pm

Friday 24 April – Alex Roberts from 7.30 pm

The Crown Inn, Pilton

Every Tuesday – Quiz Night, free entry

Every Wednesday - Take-out night: Fish and Chips

Chicken and Chips, Burgers, Curry etc.

Every Saturday – Free bottle of wine

with every two juicy char-grilled steaks

Every Sunday – Great Roast Lunches straight from the oven,
choice of meats

Main Course £8.00, two courses £12.00

Winter Opening Hours: Monday closed except Bank Holidays,

Tuesday – Thursday 6.00pm, Friday to Sunday 12noon and 6.00pm

SMALL ADS

Give your garden a treat! 2 year old well-rotted horse manure for sale by sack or load. 100% organic. Come and collect. Tel 01749 890582

Wanted: Old Petrol Lawnmowers or garden machinery: Jim Talbot on 07779498812

Home Service: Windows Cleaned (regular or one-off), gutters cleared, paths cleaned, gardens tidied. Please ring Graham on 07966428415.

Chantry Construction: stone walling, drives, block paving, patios, extensions, mini-digger and driver. Contact Paul Merrett 01373 836787 or 07855343388.

Julie Bryant, Mobile Hairdressing in the comfort of your home or mine. Fully qualified and experienced. Please call 07773 421737 or 01749 674792.

Holiday let, Stallance, West Looe, Cornwall. $\frac{3}{4}$ bedrooms, 3 baths, 100m from sea, fantastic views to Looe Island. Ample car parking. Contact Peter and Vevyan Graham, The George Inn, 342306 www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk

Fionna Roberts PCH; Classical Homeopath, BA Hons, RSHom 15 years experience. Clinics in East Pennard & Wells, 01749 890636, fionna@fionnaroberts.co.uk, www.fionnaroberts.co.uk

Lady Cleaner and General Helper available in Pilton 01749 899404

Private Carer/Companion – daily, weekly, respite, over-night or weekend care for elderly. Mature, kind and experienced local lady. Enquiries: 07852 515 037

Holiday Cottage. Centre of Wells. 1 Bed, 1 Bath. Sleeps 2. Dogs welcome. Contact Geraldine on 07799312373 or 01749899104. geraldine.hoy@live.co.uk.

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Dog Walking and Pet Sitting 07709 739508. Please visit website for details www.premierpetcarers.co.uk

Weekly ironing help available in Croscombe/Dinder area. Collected or in your own home. Excellent references and very reliable. Call 01749 860638 to discuss.

WHAT'S ON IN CROSCOMBE

April

- 8th Parish Council Meeting. Church Room 7.30pm
16th Senior Citizens' Club. Talk by Mrs Wall.
 'Letting Rip in the Departure Lounge'. SDA Hall 2.15pm
18th Coffee Morning. Village Hall (in aid of improvements) 10.30am
21st WI Ploughman's Lunch. SDA Hall 12.30pm
 Followed by 'The History of Traditional Jazz' - John Dando 2.00pm
22nd WI Scrabble. (Details from Helen Cox, 343642)
24th Mobile Library: Honeymead 11.20am – 11.30am
 The George Inn 11.35am – 11.45am
24th Music Night. Church Room 7.30pm
26th Sunday Club. Church Room 11.00am
30th Moviola Film Night.
 'The Imitation Game', (PG13). Village Hall 7.00pm for 7.30pm

May

- 16th Christian Aid Coffee Morning at 1 Poundfold
28th Senior Citizens' Club Outing: Tiverton Barge Trip

CROSCOMBE SUNDAY CLUB will be meeting in the Church Room on Sunday 26th April at 11.00am. All children from birth to 11 years are welcome, but children under 3 years old will need to be accompanied by an adult. For more information, contact Sandra (342221) or Bobbie (938148).

MOVIOLA

Croscombe Village Hall
'The Imitation Game' (PG 13)
Thursday, 30th April

Reported as an outstanding performance by Benedict Cumberbatch as Alan Turing, the World War II mathematician, who tries to crack the Enigma code with help from his colleagues.

A 'must see'!

Tickets: £6 available at the Door / Croscombe Village Shop

Doors open at 7.00pm Licensed Bar

Programme commences at 7.30pm.

Christine Walker Michael Hay

CROSCOMBE VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB DRAW

January

Mrs E. Watson £25

Mike Dowell £15

February

Andy Barnes £25

V. Graham £15

March

K. Crumplin £25

D. Walker £15

WHAT'S ON IN PILTON

April

1 st Happy Circle, 'India', Brian Smith, PWMC	2.00pm
1 st Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall	7.30pm
2 nd Mobile Advice Unit, Village Hall	12.30-2.30pm
13 th History Group, Village Hall	7.30pm
14 th Glastonbury Festival Meet Parish Council, Village Hall	6.00pm
15 th Happy Circle, Birthday Lunch	
15 th Pilton Show Meeting, Village Hall	7.30pm
15 th Pilton Village W.I., visit to Burns the Bread (see details)	
17 th Viva La Espana, Village Hall (booking essential)	7.00pm
18 th Pilton Ramblers, Village Hall Car Park	2.00pm
20 th Playing Field Trust AGM, Pilton Pavilion	7.30pm
22 nd Annual Parish Meeting, Village Hall	7.30pm
24 th Mobile Library, Top Street Car Park	2.35 – 2.50pm
West Compton House	3.00 – 3.10pm
29 th Happy Circle, 'Mostly Monologues' M. Fitzpatrick, PWMC	2.00pm

Pilton Village History Group 13th April (Note change of date due to Easter). Dr. Elaine Challis will be talking on Wayne Fremantle's diaries examining a working naval marriage at the time of Nelson. Start at 7.30pm Village Hall. Members £1 Visitors £2.

Richard Raynsford richardraynsford@btinternet.com

Glastonbury Festival 2015 Limited

will be meeting with Pilton Parish Council
at Pilton Village Hall

on Tuesday 14th April at 6.00 pm

This meeting will also be open to residents of Pilton village but participation will be at the discretion of the Chairman.



Pilton Ramblers would be very pleased to have your company for their fiftieth walk since their first in 2010. This will be a five and a half mile, circular walk on **Saturday 18th April**, meeting at the village hall car park (for car sharing) at **2.00 pm**. After a short drive to Oakhill the leisurely paced walk will follow quiet lanes and a few mostly mud-free paths through some lovely Mendip countryside to include the villages of Neighbourne, Upper Benter and Gurney Slade and the Iron Age Fort at Blacker's Hill.

John Wheat 890585

WHAT'S ON IN DINDER AND DULCOTE

April

- 3rd Sunday Club 'Making the Easter Garden' 10.30-11.30 am
Please note: No First Friday bar this month as it is Good Friday.
13th Annual Parochial Church Meeting in the church. 7.30 pm
17th Village Hall Lunch (see separate notice) 12.30 pm
19th Sunday Club, Village Hall 10.30 am
19th Third Sunday bar – Village Hall – all welcome. 12
noon
19th Dinder and Croscombe Cricket Club – opening match of the new season versus Batcombe.

Date for your diary:

- 1st May 'The Three Blind Mice Band', Village Hall 7.30 pm
14th June Dinder Open Gardens and teas

Dinder and Croscombe Cricket Club

Formed in 1948, the club has retained every season's fixture card and will commence its sixty-seventh season with a home fixture on Sunday 19th April. During the season, the club hopes to play twenty-five fixtures up to Sunday 20th September. This will include the annual weekend tour which this year will be in Wales, and a new away fixture versus Devizes. New players are always welcome.

April Fixtures

Sunday 19 th	Batcombe	Home
Sunday 26 th	Witham Friary	Home

May Fixture

Sunday 3 rd	Ditcheat	Home
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Roy Thorne Hon Sec

Evening with 'The Three Blind Mice Band'

To celebrate May Day we are having an evening of music and dancing on Friday 1st May, 7.30pm in Dinder Village Hall. This is our normal Friday bar evening but on this occasion we will be charging a ticket price of £6 per person. Steve Abbott and 'The Three Blind Mice Band' have played before in the Hall and everyone was up and dancing! Come along and join in the fun. Please contact Margaret Bancroft (674943) or Jill Gibbons (689112) to book and pay for tickets.

Dinder Village Hall Lunch Friday 17th April. Please pre-book from Margaret Bancroft (674943) or Jill Gibbons (689112) and pay on arrival.



CROSCOMBE VILLAGE SHOW AND FUNDAY

Don't forget! This year's Village Show and Funday (always the second Saturday of July) is **SATURDAY 11 JULY**. It's not too soon to think about the items you would like to enter in the Show. The programme, which lists the good food, music and entertainment on offer on the day and which contains the Show Rules and how to enter, will be delivered to every household in the village at the beginning of June.

The Committee

SPRING CLEANING FOR PILTON SHOW!

If you are having a clear out during the spring holidays, please spare a thought for Pilton Show. It's never too early to donate items for the Emporium or Children's stalls, as there will be storage space once the stockpile for the Bhopal sale in March has moved! If moving house, or just wanting to clear space, we can take *small* boxed items at this stage but cannot accept larger furniture or books until July. Please contact Ruth Eavis (890465) or Jenny de Gex (890465).

Please consider the stallholders and make sure all donated goods are in good condition: no chipped or cracked china and electrical goods must be in safe working order.

A full list of stallholders for your kind donations will appear in June or July *Roundabout*.

Pilton Show Committee

BOLLYWOOD AND BELLY DANCING IN PILTON

We are very lucky to have Raheesha, dance instructor and performer coming to Pilton Village Hall to offer Bollywood and Belly dancing classes from April. A pilot project will offer Bollywood dance classes for women between the ages of 11 and 25. Two free taster sessions will be offered on 13 and 20 April, 5.30 – 6.30 pm followed by a further six classes at £2/class (subsidized by Sportivate), on 27 April, 11 and 18 May and 1, 8, 15 June.

Belly dancing classes for women of all ages and sizes will also run on the above dates with a free taster session on Monday 13 April 6.30 – 7.30 pm. Belly dancing cost £6/class when booking the course. Following the belly dancing class, stay for a women's social drink and a chat at the bar. For more information or to book your place, contact Adele Robertson 890199, robertsonyoga@aol.co.uk.



CROSCOMBE WI

As usual, we met at the SDA Church Hall in Croscombe. With business and numerous outings, get-togethers and the annual quiz discussed we had an interesting and informative meeting.

After business we were introduced to Sue George who specialises in Family Tracings. She explained that not just kings and queens have history, we all do. Lots of information could be obtained from birth certificates as public records go back a considerable way. When asked, it seemed around half of our members had already taken an interest in tracing their family tree. She said it could be complicated but very interesting. A vote of thanks was given by Gwen and numerous members brought along photographs taken before the 1950s as an exhibition.

Our meeting ended with conversation, tea and biscuits.

Lyn Manvill

PILTON VILLAGE WI

The sun was shining as 50 people gathered at Pilton Village Hall to enjoy a leisurely afternoon with friends and family at the Pilton Village WI tea, prepared by Alison Fox and her team from the WI. They enjoyed a lavish spread of sandwiches and cakes, scones with cream and jam and endless cups of tea. All the cakes had been made by the WI ladies and were beautifully arranged on tiered cake stands made by Alison and served on an array of vintage china which she had collected over many years. The tables which were laid with crisp white embroidered tablecloths also had jars of spring flowers as centrepieces. It was a splendid afternoon and there were many requests for a repeat performance in the future. The afternoon was rounded off with a raffle which raised £83.75 for the Dorothy House Hospice.

Our April meeting on the 15th is members' night and will be a visit to Burns the Bread, Glastonbury. There is the chance to make your own pasty which is cooked to take home, together with bread and a cake. A buffet supper is also put on with a choice of wine, orange juice, tea and coffee etc. The cost is £10 with all proceeds going to St. Margaret's Hospice. Our business meeting is on Monday 13th April at 7.30pm in the Snooker Room

For further information please contact: Shirley 330722

Shirley Watt

CROSCOMBE SENIOR CITIZENS

There were six birthdays to celebrate in February, so we sang loudly to Judith, Helen, Marie, Gill, Gwen, and husband John. Many happy returns to all of them.

It was good to welcome Fred Phelps again after an absence of ten years. Both he and his wife are tireless fund-raisers for BIBIC, the charity for brain injured children near Langport. Most of his verse is humorous, but one was so poignant that when it was first publicised, it was of huge financial benefit to the charity.

He had an endearing way of chuckling as he came to the punch lines of his poems, when we couldn't help laughing, too, and laughter is such good medicine.

Everyone wanted to stay longer than usual after tea, so contentedly chatting in twos and threes, that it was a shame to pull their chairs away at 4.00pm.

Barbara Lippett

PILTON HAPPY CIRCLE

Happy Circle is of an age to have developed its own traditions. One favourite – Bingo! How lucky we are to have Audrey and Terry to run the happy show for us and how lucky was our Chairman, Janet, to have the numbers on her cards – due recompense for the work she puts in to ensure a vibrant and well-run Club.

'Recalling My Grandma' produced some surprises. It quickly became clear that in the 30s and 40s many women had short lives so that several of our members had not known their Grandmas. What a loss! Those who had known their Grans had grown up not just emotionally but also geographically close to them. Mum and I moved to live with my Grandma when my father was killed at El Alamein. What an influence Grandmas were in those days – loving, spoiling, and, in those formative years, guiding our development – a bed rock of stability and standards.

If you are a Grandparent in today's dispersed families, stay in touch with your Grandchildren. Love is now a postcard, a phone call a text or a twitter or even a selfie! You have ideas and values to share – carry the torch!

John Howe

Fosseway Gardening Club

Tuesday 14th April – 7.30pm

Pylle Village Hall (the old school on A37)

Favourite Gardens – David Moon

Some favourite gardens
and gardening shows here and in Europe.

New members always welcome.

Our programme includes horticultural talks,
garden visits, plant sales and social events.

Details from Janet (01749 331306) or Barbara (01749 960438)

PILTON COMMUNITY ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION

Grow your own – a great time to start. We have several allotment plots vacant, full and half-size, available for group or individual use. Anyone in the surrounding area who is interested, please contact Freda on 890345 for more information.

Bits from the Belfry - Pilton Tower Update:

In January the Glaston Branch Quarterly Meeting was held at Wookey. The meeting was followed by a quiz and we are very pleased to report that Pilton team came first. Well done Jackie Bowditch, Colin Elliott, Joe and Chris King.

In mid-February we met at The George in Croscombe where we thoroughly enjoyed our annual dinner. Many thanks to Jackie for arranging this.

On Tuesday, 24th February, as only six ringers first turned up for the practice evening a decision had to be made – go home, go to the pub or ring a quarter peal. What a silly question for bell ringers! Just as the ringing was about to begin two more arrived so a quarter peal of 1260 Grandsire Triples was rung in 46 minutes as a 40th birthday compliment to Jonathan Tofts.

- Treble Jean Skidmore
- No.2 Maureen Tofts
- No.3 Andrew Pugh
- No.4 Beverley Perry
- No.5 Les Perry
- No.6 Helen Brown
- No.7 Ken Brown (Conductor)
- Tenor Colin Elliott

Jean Skidmore

MENDIP DFAS

14th April **Sofonisba Anguissola**: The first major female artist of the Renaissance. Ms Terry Pearson, MA, will talk about an artist encouraged by Michelangelo, painted by Van Dyck and portrait painter in the court of Philip II of Spain. At the Bath & West Bar & Restaurant (formerly the Westex Suite), B & W Show Ground, Shepton Mallet, BA4 6QN, 10.30 for 11.00am. Details: www.mdfas.org.uk Guests welcome.

MID-SOMERSET NADFAS

21st April: **Toulouse Lautrec – from Albi to Paris**. Illustrated lecture at Caryford Hall, Castle Cary, BA7 7JJ. Tuesdays at 11.00am. £6. Free parking. Information 01963 350527.

Free Computer Courses at Shepton Mallet Library.

Whether you are starting at the very beginning, or already have some experience, library staff can help you! Various online courses available.
Thursday mornings 10.00 – 12noon
Thursday afternoons 1.30 – 3.30pm
For more information or to book a place, please contact Shepton Mallet Library, 01749 342354

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Open House: – **Wed 15th April 1.30-3.30** and **Fri 17th April 10-12**.

Call in to find out more, chat to trainers and book up if you wish.

Workshops: introducing **Tablet Computing** Thurs 23rd April 10-12. £5.
Introduction to **iPad Computing** Thurs 30th April 10-12. £5.

Courses – eBay -Thurs 7th May 10-12. £20 for 3 weeks.

Photo management -Thurs 4th June 10-12. £35 for 6 weeks.

Thursday afternoons COMPUTER DROP IN £2.00 per visit.

Contact us on itfortheterrified@btconnect.com, **01934.741751** or check out www.itfortheterrified.co.uk

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PILTON METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES

5 th April	Rev C. Anderton, Holy Communion	11.00am
12 th April	Mrs T. Forbes	11.00am
19 th April	Mr J. Tucker - United Service	11.00am
26 th April	Local Arrangement	11.00am

Children are always welcome to join our Sunday School.
Details from Jacquy 890701

Morning Prayer in Croscombe Church
at 8.30am daily, on Monday to Saturday

Morning Prayer in Pilton Church
at 9.00am on Wednesdays

PARISH CHURCH SERVICES

APRIL 2015

2nd April 7.30pm	Maundy Thursday Holy Communion	Croscombe
3rd April 12noon 2.00pm 7.30pm	Good Friday Service Service Service	Dinder North Wootton Pilton
5th April 8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am	Easter Day Holy Communion Family Communion Easter Praise Family Communion Family Communion	Pilton Dinder Pilton Croscombe North Wootton
12th April 9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 6.30pm	Easter 2 Holy Communion Holy Communion Family Service Evensong	Pilton Croscombe North Wootton Dinder
19th April 9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am 6.30pm	Easter 3 Holy Communion United Service at the Chapel Morning Service Holy Communion Holy Communion	North Wootton Pilton Croscombe Dinder Croscombe
26th April 9.30am 9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Easter 4 Holy Communion Morning Service Holy Communion Morning Service	Pilton North Wootton Croscombe Dinder