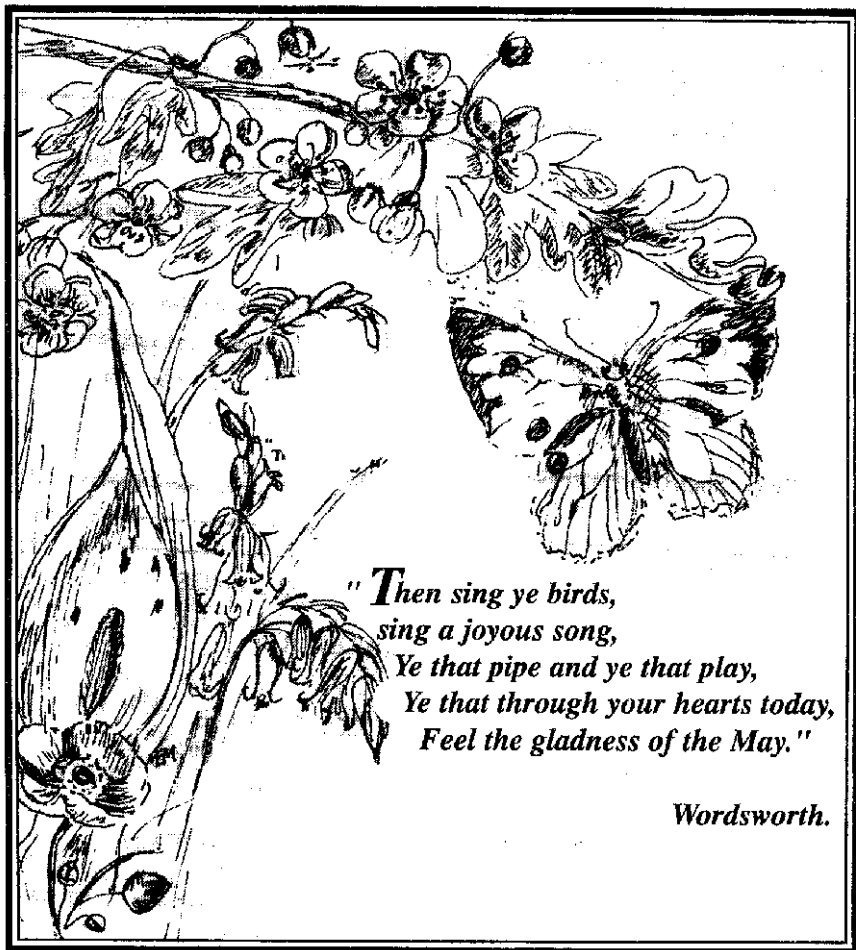


THE
ROUNDAABOUT
CHURCH AND COMMUNITY MAGAZINE



*"Then sing ye birds,
sing a joyous song,
Ye that pipe and ye that play,
Ye that through your hearts today,
Feel the gladness of the May."*

Wordsworth.

MAY 2018

**PARISHES OF PILTON, CROSCOMBE, NORTH WOOTTON AND
DINDER**

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ENQUIRIES ABOUT MATERIAL FOR ROUNDABOUT

Roundabout email address: magazine@roundaboutnews.org.uk

All material in Word, please, and not in boxes.

Adverts in the colour section are handled by Gail Milne (890670) gail.milne@btconnect.com. These only change in January.

Charges for Small Adverts: Small adverts are 50p per line per month, preferably only two lines for short periods. Requests 1 week before deadline to allow for setting up and billing. Insertion only on receipt of payment.

All other materials and the small adverts should be left at the collecting points (see pages 22,23) but if you need to speak to someone please contact Susan Green (890524), Christine Davies (890009), Stella Elston (673766), Janet Christie (344633), Eve Harris (343194) or Ann Williamson (428133) who will help you.

Please make sure that emails with items for *Roundabout* are acknowledged by one of the team within two days of sending them. We apologise for the late arrival of April's magazine due to unforeseen circumstances.

JUNE ROUNDABOUT DEADLINE FOR ALL MATERIAL IS

MONDAY 21st MAY 9.00am

CELEBRATING NEW LIFE

Although spring feels a bit late this year suddenly the hedgerows are full of beautiful wildflowers, the birds are singing at full volume and bees and butterflies are all very busy. The eventual appearance of the sun has made everything feel a bit brighter and the background noise is of mowers as people take advantage of the drier weather.

April and May are wonderful months as we celebrate the lighter evenings and our gardens coming back to life. One of the lovely things about lighter evenings is how people are out and about and we catch up with neighbours we hardly see over the winter months. There are other bonuses as well; suddenly, taking the dog for a walk feels more like a pleasure than a chore, as I am reminded again how lucky we all are to live in this beautiful part of Somerset.

We also look forward to the warm summer days ahead. One of the things I really used to look forward to as a child was an annual family picnic which often happened at the end of May. About 20 of us would meet in a park somewhere near home for a picnic and game of French cricket (the one with the ball and the tennis bat). Although the weather wasn't always the best it was a time to relax and enjoy each other's company. I am sure for many of you warm summer days make you recall your own traditions and memories.

In May the Church celebrates Rogation Sunday. Traditionally it is a time when we 'beat the bounds' or walk our parish boundaries together. In this Benefice we will be walking from each of our churches and come together at Dungeon Farm for a picnic and games (or driving if you prefer). There will also be a short communion service for those who would like to join us. It is a chance for anyone from our four parishes to spend time with each other amidst the beauty of the countryside.

Do come and join us if you can – further details in the magazine.

Rev. Chris

PRAYER FOCUS

We pray for the children and young people who live in our parishes, for our local pre-schools, schools and colleges. We think of all the people who work in them, the teaching and support staff, the administrative staff, the lunchtime staff, the caretakers and cleaners. We thank you for volunteers in schools: the governors and people who help with other activities in the classrooms and on visits.

BIBLE READINGS

6 th May	Acts 10: 44 – end	John 15: 9-17
13 th May	Acts 1: 15-17, 21 – end	John 17: 6 – 19
20 th May	Acts 2: 1-21	John 15: 26 – 27; 16: 4b–15
27 th May	Isaiah 6: 1-8	John 3: 1-17

MONTHLY PRAYER MEETINGS IN PILTON AND DINDER

Our monthly prayer meetings in Pilton and Dinder continue:

Pilton Wednesday **9th May** 6.00pm in the Parish Church

Dinder Wednesday **23rd May** at 6.00pm at Sharcombe Farm (the home of Joan Chambers).

Please do come along if you can.

And remember Morning Prayer in Croscombe church at 8.30am every morning and in Pilton Parish Church every Wednesday at 9am.

BENEFICE MID-WEEK HOLY COMMUNION

Midweek Benefice Communion Services continue to be held on Thursdays in North Wootton at 12.15pm. Everyone welcome.

BENEFICE DISCUSSION GROUP

The midweek Benefice Group continues to meet on alternate Monday mornings in North Wootton. We will be looking at John's Gospel. For details please ring Andrew Pugh (890535).

Rev. Chris

YOS

This month we will be joining in the Rogation Walk and Picnic on 13th May. YOS is open to Year 6 and above. For more information, please call Sandra on 342221.

ROGATION SUNDAY

**Calling all Walkers and/or Picnickers
Come and join us on Sunday 13th May
for our Annual Rogation picnic and walk.**

Do come along and join us as we get together for an annual picnic on 13th May 1.00pm at Dungeon Farm, near Croscombe, BA5 3RP.

Bring your own picnic/chair etc, drinks provided.

Walks will leave from each church to the farm; however if you would prefer to drive, parking is available.

Walks commence as follows:

Pilton, St John the Baptist Church at 11.30am,

Croscombe, St Mary the Virgin Church at 12.00noon,

North Wootton, St Peter's Church at 11.45am,

Dinder, St Michael's Church at 11.30am,

Meet at the farm from 12.45pm onwards.

Drinks and giant games provided.

There will also be an outdoor Communion service (all taking place under cover if wet).

THY KINGDOM COME

Thy Kingdom Come is a global prayer movement, which invites Christians around the world to pray between Ascension and Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus Christ. What started out as an invitation from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York in 2016 to the Church of England, has grown into an international and ecumenical call to prayer.

During the 11 days of Thy Kingdom Come, it is hoped that everyone who participates will deepen their friendship with Jesus, bring others to know Jesus or know him better, and come to know that every aspect of their life is part of prayer. Look out for opportunities to pray at your local church.

All our churches will be taking part with opportunities to pray or to ask for prayer between Ascension Day (10th May) and (Pentecost 20th May).

PRAY FOR SCHOOLS FORTNIGHT

10th – 24th May is Pray for Schools Fortnight when we remember and give thanks for our local schools and all the many people involved as well as for the students themselves. There are many pressures on pupils and staff in education today, not least on those coming close to important exams and tests.

ABOUT PEOPLE

We are glad to welcome new people to our villages. We hope that you settle happily and we look forward to meeting 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.

Funerals

Friends and family gathered at Pilton Methodist Church on 26th March to celebrate the life of **Jacqueline Taylor** and to thank God for her commitment to work with children and young people.

Deaths

We are sad to record the deaths of **Pete Humphries** of Croscombe and **Maggie Findlay-Carr** of Pilton.



Thank you for the generous donations towards Roundabout costs from **Croscombe OAP and Children's Fund, Croscombe Fun Day Committee, and Croscombe Frolics.**

Thank you to everyone who supported my cake stall or made donations. I raised £195 which was split between the Worldwide Fund for Nature and Somerset Wildlife Trust.

Jessica Summerhayes

POSTER COMPETITION

'Fostering in Somerset'

For children aged 18 and under.

Closing date 11th May

Posters should be A4 and can use any materials to create the artwork.

For further information,

please contact the Press Office on 01823 355020

or email pressoffice@somerset.gov.uk



CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 13th – 19th MAY

The theme this year is: **'Together we're stronger than the storms'**. People living in Haiti have fought hurricane after hurricane.

Many have lost their homes after the last disaster and are still living in a 2m x 2m concrete block. They are not just survivors, they are fighters but they need our support to help them to re-build their homes, which will withstand a hurricane.

Your support during Christian Aid Week will help Christian Aid to support these families.

There are events in each of our villages and we look forward to welcoming you to any of them or, if this is not possible, to support the door to door collections across our villages.

Saturday 12th May: Coffee Morning 10.30am - 12.30pm

at Jan Hodge's, 1 Poundfold, Croscombe

Thursday 17th May: Coffee Evening from 7.00pm

at Ruth Eavis', Hazelmount, Pilton

Sunday 20th May: Cream Teas and Plant Sale 3.30pm – 5.00pm

in North Wootton Village Hall

Friday 25th May: Soup, Entertainment and Puddings 7.00pm

in Dinder Village Hall.

We would welcome any people willing to collect during Christian Aid Week and if you feel you are able, please contact Hilary Austin on: 890561. Envelopes will be in all the churches and can be returned to any church member.

Hilary Austin



FLOWER FESTIVALS

**in St John the Baptist Church, Pilton
and St Peter's Church, North Wootton**

Plans are well in hand for our Flower Festival at the end of June. At Pilton Church there will be a treasure hunt for children and flower displays from church and local village organisations. Parish registers will be available for viewing and Church artefacts which are not normally seen will be on display. Do come to visit both Pilton Church and North Wootton Church on Saturday 30th June from 10.30am - 5.00pm and on Sunday 1st July from 2.00pm - 5.00pm. Refreshments will be available at both churches during this time. Croscombe and Dinder churches will have their flower festivals on Saturday 22nd September and Sunday 23rd September.

Dorothy Blyth

WHAT'S ON IN PILTON

May

2 nd Happy Circle, Ukulele Band, PWMC	2.00pm
2 nd Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall	7.30pm
9 th Prayer meeting, Parish Church	6.00pm
14 th History Group, 'Shepton Mallet: The last 200 years' Chris Norman, Village Hall	7.30pm
16 th Happy Circle, PWMC 'History of Bee Keeping in Somerset', Joe King	2.00pm
16 th Pilton Show Meeting, Village Hall	7.00pm
17 th Christian Aid Coffee Evening, Hazelmound	from 7.00pm
21 st WI 'Call in for a Cuppa', Village Hall	2.00 – 4.00pm
21 st WI AGM, Village Hall	7.30pm
30 th Happy Circle, PWMC 'Hadrian's Wall Walk', Ian Williamson	2.00pm



PILTON VILLAGE HISTORY GROUP

Monday 14th May 7.30pm in the Village Hall

SHEPTON MALLET - THE LAST 200 YEARS

Local farmer and local historian, Chris Norman, will be telling us of the history of Shepton Mallet.

Once, a large part of Shepton was within the parish of Pilton.

Weaving, brewing cider ale and lager, making shoes and holding prisoners kept Shepton busy.

Find out more at what will be a very interesting presentation.

Visitors welcome.

Steve Tofts

PILTON SHOW CALENDAR 2019

It is time to send in low-res images i.e. files of no more than 2 MB, for selection for the annual calendar which will be on sale as from Pilton Show onwards i.e. the first weekend in September. The theme as stated in the 2017 Photo section of the Flower Show is **The Seasons**. The problem is that not all the good pictures from the Show were the right format, and so we need landscape/horizontal images for printing, please.

Please email any suggestions to Jenny de Gex at jennydegex@btinternet.com or if you have any queries please phone 890465.

AGM of The Pilton Branch of The Royal British Legion

The Annual General Meeting of The Pilton Branch of The Royal British Legion will be held in the Pilton Village Hall at 7.30pm on Friday 15th June. All members are welcome.

Nominations for the posts of Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Welfare Officer and Poppy Appeal Organiser(PAO) should be forwarded to the Chairman, Bill Southcombe, by e-mail, text or letter.

Bill Southcombe. 07716 756510. Bowermead House , BA4 4DT.

PILTON HAPPY CIRCLE CLUB

We had a visit from the Salvation Army. Angela gave us information on the beginnings of the Salvation Army and her family connections, telling us of her surprise when she discovered her great-great grandfather was in one of the early brass bands. Her stories of visits to an orphanage in Mombasa and the work which is done locally made us think. Thank you, Angela.

Liam O'Farrell shared with us his story and the stories within and around his paintings. He studied Technical Illustration and has an impressive list of clients. Interestingly he failed to recognise Adele when she bought a painting at an exhibition - she was not amused! Liam prefers to work outside but this has its pitfalls such as over friendly animals, becoming a tourist attraction, and sunburn. However he does make new friends including a publican who kept him refreshed during a heatwave. Liam's work celebrates the ordinary and he likes to populate his pictures with people who enliven the stories that he paints. Liam very generously gave one of his prints as a raffle prize. It was won by Jane and we were all very envious.

Liz Elkin



PILTON VILLAGE W.I. INVITE YOU TO "CALL IN FOR A CUPPA"

Monday 21st May 2.00 – 4.00pm

Do join us at Pilton Post Office for a cuppa, a chat and, of course, cake. Everyone is welcome and we look forward to seeing you.

WHAT'S ON IN DINDER AND DULCOTE

May

4 th	Friday Bar, Village Hall	7.30pm
14 th	History of Art Lecture (details below) Joanna Cobb, Village Hall	7.30pm
20 th	Sunday Bar, Village Hall <i>[meet for a friendly drink with neighbours]</i>	12.00noon
24 th	Prayer Group at Sharcombe Farm <i>(the home of Joan Chambers)</i>	6.00pm
25 th	Soups, entertainment and puds for Christian Aid, Village Hall	7.00pm

Every Friday: Coffee morning in the Village Hall 11.00am - 12.30pm
All welcome

[except Good Friday and when there is a Dinder Village lunch]

HISTORY OF ART.....THE BIGGER PICTURE

with **Joanna Cobb, MA**

Independent art historian, researcher and lecturer

7th lecture in the series:

'The Eye of the Beholder.'

The expansion of public art spaces

from Gainsborough in London

to the Met in New York, via St. Petersburg.

Monday 14th May, 7.30pm - 9.30pm

Dinder Village Hall.

£8 per person or £15 for two people to include a fully illustrated lecture, refreshments and handouts, in advance or on the door.

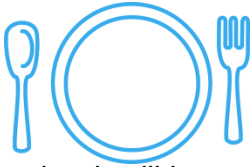
Other dates and local venues also available.

Lectures can be joined at any time, so there is no problem if you have missed previous ones and no obligation to book the whole series.

This continues in the summer term and ends in November with 'Art of the Great War across the Divide' to coincide with the centenary of the armistice in 1918.

For more information please contact Joanna on 01458 832178 or ericjoanna@waitrose.com

ADVANCE NOTICE of local events



DINDER VILLAGE HALL LUNCH

Our next lunch will be on **Friday 15th June**. As always, there will be a wide choice of delicious home-cooked main courses and desserts, all for £6.50. Drinks are bought separately at the bar. Please pre-book by phoning either: Margaret Bancroft (674943) or Jill Gibbons (689112). Please pay when you arrive. Doors open at 12.30pm and we start serving at 12.45pm. We look forward to seeing you all. Early booking to assist with menu planning would be appreciated.



SUNDAY 8TH JULY - DINDER OPEN GARDENS

Sunday 8th July will be Open Gardens in Dinder. Several splendid gardens will be open and will include some not previously seen. One garden will be offering croquet on the lawn and refreshments will be available.

** A date to note in your diary **

THE HILLIARD SOCIETY OF MINIATURISTS EXHIBITION The Town Hall, Wells

2nd – 9th June 10.00am – 5.00pm (Last entry 4.00pm)

Miniature Painting Workshop Saturday 2nd June

Closed Sunday 3rd June

Closing Saturday 4th June 4.00pm

Further information 674472 or e.hilliardsociety@aol.com

www.hilliardsocietyorg

MAY EVENTS AT OUR VILLAGE PUBS AND CLUBS

THE GEORGE INN, CROSCOMBE

www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk Telephone: 342306

Breakfast from 7:30am on weekdays, 8.00am weekends.

Open all day at weekends. Take-away fish and chips.

Thai Night – Second Thursday of every month.

PILTON WORKING MEN'S CLUB (BA4 4BB)

This is a Non-Members Club OPEN TO ALL

Grill Night 4th 11th 25th and 1st June Served 6:30pm-8:30pm

Sunday Carvery Served every Sunday 12-2pm

One course £9.95 with dessert £12.95

Friday 4th Kit Morgan invites 'Kevin Brown' from 8.30pm - free door

Saturday 12th Pilton Party Auditions – Music from 8.00pm £3.50

Friday 18th Curry Night (choice of three curries) £10.00

With Andy's notorious Karaoke – free door

Sunday 20th Terry and Audrey's Prize Bingo – eyes down 7.30pm

in aid of Air Ambulance

Saturday 26th Champions League Final

Thursday 31st No Neggie Just Reggae – free door

Dancing, Bashment and Raffle

Friday 1st June Kit Morgan invites Free Door Music – from 8.30pm

Saturday 2nd June Liam and the Truthseekers £3.50

music from 8.30pm

THE CROWN INN, PILTON (890762)

thecrowninnpilton@outlook.com

Open 7 nights a week

Sunday/Monday 6.30 – 10.30pm. Tuesday/Saturday: 6.00 – 10.30pm

Open Lunch Wednesdays – Sundays 12-2.30pm (3.30pm Sunday)

Take-Away 7 nights a week 6.30 – 9.00pm (pop in for a menu)

Quiz Night 2nd and last Tuesday every month

(£2 a head to include a snack)

Traditional Sunday Roast choice of two meats with all the trimmings

Live Music once a month—see facebook or check our blackboards

Food Theme Nights coming soon – check in pub or on facebook

CHANGES and THE MOVE of CROSCOMBE VILLAGE STORES

On Saturday 14th April Croscombe folk gathered at The Village Stores to thank the staff who had worked so hard to serve our community venture. The event was celebrated in song, to the tune of 'What a wonderful world this could be' by Sam Cooke, and here are some of the verses that serenaded the 'three lovely ladies':

Don't know much about newspapers
Don't know much about weird customers
Don't know much about an order book
Don't know much about the time it took
But we do know that we'll miss you
And we hope that you will miss us too
So we wish you the best there could be.

Don't know much about sorting the meat
Don't know much about bread, milk or cheese
Don't know much about the coffee machine
Or what all those flashing lights could mean
But we do know that we'll miss you
And we hope that you will miss us too
So we wish you the best there could be.

Now we don't claim to be super shoppers
But we were trying to be
'Cos maybe by being some really nice shoppers
We helped to make your days happy.

N.B. Goods continue to be available at The George – come and see for yourself.

NEW COLLECTION POINT FOR ROUNDABOUT

Roundabout was able to use the Village Stores as a collection point for material for which we are very grateful.

Our new collection point will be in the mailbox, labelled for Roundabout material, at Corvedale Cottage, Ganes Terrace, Long Street, the home of the Ven. Dick and Mrs Margaret Acworth.

WHAT'S ON IN CROSCOMBE

May

- 9th Poetry Group. Millmead, Long Street. 2.30pm – 4.00pm
9th Parish Council A.G.M. and Meeting. Church Room. 7.00pm
12th Christian Aid Coffee Morning. 1 Poundfold.
(The home of Paul and Jan Hodge.) 10.30am – 12.30pm
12th Spring Barn Dance. Village Hall. 7.00pm for 7.30pm
(See separate notice.)
15th WI Annual General Meeting and talk by Anne-Marie Alimo:
'Norway's Independence Day'. SDA Hall. 2.00pm
17th Senior Citizens' Club Meeting.
Musical Presentation by David Andrews. SDA Hall. 2.15pm
18th Croscombe Village Orchestra Concert. Village Hall. 7.00pm
23rd WI Scrabble. (Details from Helen Cox, 343642.)
24th Senior Citizens' Club Coach Trip to Exmouth.
Leave from the George Inn at 9.00am.
25th Friends of St. Mary's: 'Music Night'. Church Room. 7.30pm
31st Moviola Film Night. 'The Post' (12A).
Village Hall. 7.00pm for 7.30pm

CROSCOMBE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

Invite you to a

SPRING BARN DANCE

on Saturday 12th May at 7.00pm for 7.30 start
Dancing for all the family with **"STRAW FOLK"**

Tickets £10 each to include food and a free glass of punch

Children under 12 free if accompanied by their parents

Come and dance the winter blues away

All profits go to the Village Hall restoration fund

YOUR VILLAGE – YOUR HALL

CROSCOMBE VILLAGE ORCHESTRA

Our May Concert this year will be on **Friday 18th May** at 7.00 pm in Croscombe Village Hall. We have a very attractive programme, with Orchestral Suite No.3 by Bach, then Haydn's Symphony No.97. Our soloist for this concert is Tamsin Mains who is the daughter of Pippa and Tom, two long-standing members. She will be playing Mozart's Bassoon Concerto. We end with Symphony No.3 by Borodin.

This will be a lovely concert; let's hope we have weather to match!

Admission: Adults £5, under 14s £1, including refreshments.

Jo Sackett, Secretary



COACH TRIP

Are you interested in a coach trip? Why not come and join the Croscombe Senior Citizens on 24th May on their day out to Exmouth?

Non-members £10 each. Meet at the George Inn at 9am. Everyone welcome. Please contact Iris Gaines on 343908.

The Friends of St Mary's, Croscombe Friday Night is Music Night!

Our next music night is Friday 25th May in the Church Room. The music starts at 7.30pm.

Do come and join a small group who meet to listen to a programme of recorded classical music chosen by Terry McCarthy. The music is varied and the whole evening a very relaxed affair; you really do not need to be a music expert. This time we will hear two Symphonies – Schubert No 4 (Tragic) and Mendelssohn No 4 (Italian). Programme notes are supplied.

The music lasts for about an hour and we have time then for a tea/coffee or a glass of wine – and a chat! New 'listeners' will be made very welcome.

Entrance fee £3 - free for Friends of St Mary's.

Jenny Mitchell

MOVIOLA in Croscombe Village Hall Thursday, 31st May 'The Post' (12A)

'The Post' chronicles the efforts of the Washington Post's publisher and editor to get the Pentagon Papers – classified documents about a US government cover-up of its actions in Vietnam – published'. Stars Meryl Streep and Tom Hanks, a film worth watching in our Village Hall!

Tickets: £6 available at the Door

Doors open at 7.00pm

Licensed Bar

Programme commences at 7.30pm.

Next month:

'The Greatest Showman'

28th June

Christine Walker, Michael Hay

CENTENARY CONCERT OF THE GREAT WAR

Maesbury Singers together with Croscombe Frolics will be presenting an evening of music and sketches from the trenches on June 16th at 7.30pm in Croscombe Village Hall.

Ticket prices £10, children under 16 free.

We hope our audience will join in the spirit of things and dress up accordingly!

Tin Hats On!!



CROSCOMBE FUN DAY - 14th JULY

The arrangements for this year's Croscombe Fun Day are well under way and will take place on Saturday 14th July, all kicking off at 1.00pm at the Village Hall and adjacent field. This year we would like to show an historic aspect of Croscombe, including old photos, clothes, maps, facts and anything else of interest. If you have any local films, photos or pictures or any items mentioned we would love to show them off in the Village Hall. We will also have all the usual entertainment on the field, live music all day, bouncy castles, bar, BBQ, refreshments, skittles and stalls (information on having a stall available soon). This year we would love the children to be involved: e.g. old school sports day theme, sack races, and egg and spoon races. Any input or suggestions would be greatly appreciated.

Sorry, dogs are not permitted in the Village Hall or Children's Playing Field.

Nick Fowler, Chairman Croscombe Fun Day Committee

1st CROSCOMBE RAINBOWS

Rainbows meet on Tuesdays 5.30 – 6.30pm in Croscombe School. If your daughter is interested in joining, please speak to Sandra on 342221.

Sandra Kirkham

Postage stamps

Please continue to collect your postage stamps for the two charities - St. Margaret's (Somerset) Hospice and the R.S.P.B. They are very grateful for your contributions. The stamps can be left at my house - Livadia, Fayre Way, Croscombe.

Janet Dowding

NEWS FROM CROSCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

www.croscombe-parish.co.uk

E-mail register – we still welcome any villager who has not yet proffered their email address to do so. It appears to be a welcomed way of receiving news about road closures, crime warnings etc.

Neighbourhood Plan – at long last we are finalising this. It will all depend on whether Mendip approves it this time around. As soon as they do we will be asking for your input and the final process of a village approval meeting and Mendip's independent adjudication can begin.

CPR/defibrillator training – we are liaising with the Wells Fire and Rescue Service who will provide this for us. A range of dates will be made available for you to sign up for the training in due course.

Next Meeting. - 7.00 pm on 9th May for the AGM in the Church Room. This will be followed by the usual Council meeting. All are welcome.

Hilary Shergold

PILTON PARISH COUNCIL

Community Speedwatch are trying to get police approval for a registered site further up the hill from the current one.

Rural Broadband & Community Fibre Partnerships

Is anyone in Pilton unhappy with their broadband speed?

I am trying to get a campaign off the ground to achieve better speeds for those in Pilton who do not benefit from the fibre cabinet which has been installed by Open Reach in Totterdown Lane and who are still struggling with download/upload broadband.

We would also be happy to hear from anyone who is interested in finding out about the "True Speed" government scheme.

Please contact me on holly@stages.co.uk or 890107 for more information.

Karen Buckley, Pilton Parish Clerk/RFO,
piltonparishclerk@yahoo.co

SMALL ADS

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

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

Fionna Roberts PCH; Classical Homeopath, BA Hons, RSHom 15 years' experience. Clinics in East Pennard and Wells, 01749 890636, fionna.roberts711@btinternet.com www.fionnaroberts.co.uk

Daniel's garden maintenance. Lawns cut, seeded, turfed. Hedges cut, garden clearance, Patio-laying, jet-washing, fencing plus fence painting. Weeding. Call Daniel 01749 672832 or 07936583986

Rise and Shine: Maintenance and Window Cleaning, Dave 675636. or 07961 892 014

Somerset Removals. House removals, house and garage clearances, waste removals, auction house pick-ups.

Contact Dave 675636 or 07961 892 014

Daniel's property maintenance Roof repairs. Gutters cleaned, repaired and renewed Interior and exterior painting and much more. Call Reg 01749 672832 mob 07518116140

RP Property Solutions: Home maintenance/repairs and qualified electrician. Free no obligation quotes. Great prompt service. Call Robert Pippard on 07969 345726 or 01749 572311.

Give your garden a treat. 2 year old well-rotted horse manure sold by sack or load. 100% organic. Contact 01749 890582.

Tai Chi Class for health and vitality, Pilton Village Hall. Every Tuesday 9.30 - 10.30am, Any age or ability (over 16 - no upper limit!) Drop in, no need to book, £5 pay when you come. www.taichi24.co.uk

Ceilidh and Scottish Country Dancing Tuesdays 7.30 to 9.30pm Dinder Village Hall. For details call 01749 346243

Tai Chi for Health Dinder Village Hall, every Tuesday 10.00-11.00am an easy Tai Chi suitable for all. So please come along, no booking, donation £3/week www.taichiforhealth.org.uk

Pilates Class. Crocombe Village Hall. Tuesday mornings 9.30am-10.30am. All welcome - improves flexibility, strength and balance.

£7.50 per class - First class free Contact: Clare Jevons on 01761 233466 / 07782 268252. Email: clare@somerpilates.co.uk

Domestic and office cleaning services. For references and details, call 01749 689099 / 078940 66096 / pattinson321@yahoo.co.uk

Kath Murray Gardening. Garden Development and Maintenance Services. Experienced and RHS qualified gardener. Contact Kath - 01749 890906 or 07785541260

WANTED – Energetic and enthusiastic person to help part time with my 'growing' gardening business. Please email Kath at kath.murray246@btinternet.com

FOSSEWAY GARDEN CLUB

Saturday 12th May

Garden Club Plant Sale

Ditchat Jubilee Hall – 10.00am – 12noon

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

Details from Barbara Cary (860438) or Janet Fulford (331306)

THE ARTS SOCIETY, MENDIP 1st May

Guerra, Guerra! Music, the arts and war 1800-2000 is the subject of the talk by Daniel Snowman, examining the art during Napoleonic, Italian unification, Franco-Prussian and 2 World Wars. We meet at the Bath and West Bar & Restaurant, B&W Show Ground, Shepton Mallet, BA4 6QN at 11.00 am. Details; www.theartsocietymendip.org.uk. Guests Welcome. Contact 01934 862435.

THE ARTS SOCIETY, MID-SOMERSET 15th May

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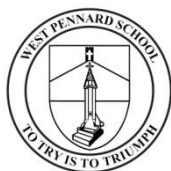
Illustrated lecture, Caryford Hall, Castle Cary BA7 7JJ, 11.00am, Free parking. £6.

For further information 01963 350 132

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WEST PENNARD PRIMARY SCHOOL

India Day

West Pennard pupils in Year 3 have been learning about India over the last term. We have dressed up in traditional Indian clothes, tasted Indian food and had henna painted on our hands. We are now creating our own 'I is for India' information books which we look forward to sharing with our parents later this term. Year 3 have thoroughly enjoyed this unit and have made some interesting comparisons between India and where they live in West Pennard.

Alexandra Bradford, Year 3 Teacher and English Lead



CROSCOMBE CEVA PRIMARY SCHOOL

At the end of April Conkers Class visited SS Great Britain beginning with a tour of the ship which included sights, sounds and smells(!) to help the children experience life on board. Then they worked in groups to do their own exploring; trying out the bunks and choosing what they would like to eat for dinner if they had been travelling first class. The day ended with a workshop and the children travelled back in time to 1843 to help build the ship and then celebrate its launch. We are always grateful to parents and friends who join us on our trips. In our final assembly of the term attendance certificates were presented to thirty six children who had achieved 100% attendance between Monday 8th January and Friday 23rd March. Well done all of you!

Everyone supported Sport Relief by joining in activities organised by Julie, our School Fit Club coach, and our special congratulations go to Theo who entered the National Schools Biathlon Championships at Crystal Palace National Sports Centre. Congratulations Theo, and to your brother Declan, one of our former pupils!

Back at school we have made a good start to a busy term. There was a lovely surprise to learn that there are otters in the river by the school.

Steve Heath, Headteacher



PILTON VILLAGE WI

At this month's meeting we were due to be visited by Angela Pitt to give us a presentation on her voluntary work for the Galapagos Islands. Sadly, due to the arrival of the 'Mini Beast from the East' she was not able to make it.

Fortunately, Alison came to the rescue, and arranged at very short notice, a few games of Bingo for all of us who dared to venture out.

Alison was Bingo Master for the evening and after calling out the numbers for a while, there was eventually a player with a full house. Daphne claimed the prize in the first game, with Gill being the winner of the second. Both were presented with their prizes - Cadbury Creme Eggs!!

Our thanks go to Alison, who was able to arrange the Bingo at such short notice.

Jane Marchant

The **Pilton Village WI** are organising a trip to Highclere Castle on 11th July, and currently have a few spare spaces.

We wondered if other Pilton residents would like to join us?

We will be leaving the village around 9.15 am and returning about 5.30 pm.

The cost, which includes entrance to the House and Gardens and the coach, is £25.

If you would like to join us please call Alison on 899516.

CROSCOMBE W.I.

Our meetings have been slightly different this year. We are having our speakers first and it seems to work well.

In March Mr. John Hudson told us all about the Battle of Trafalgar which took place on 21st October 1805. With informative slides and lots of explaining he made it very interesting and said it was a psychological duel between Nelson and Bonaparte. Ships were very vulnerable once firing began as they used round shot and grapeshot for ammunition. Mr. Hudson explained that Admiral Collingwood was leading the attack, but Nelson took over. It was a very bloody battle, Nelson was badly injured and died at 4.30pm. The ship, HMS Victory, was towed to Gibraltar, and Mr. Hudson felt the battle showed that Britain dominated the seas.

Our business and tea followed this engaging talk.

Lyn Manvill.

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PILTON METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES

6 th May	Rev. N. Lakin	9.30am
13 th May	Claire Laudicina	11.00am
20 th May	Rev. N. Lakin. United Chapel Anniversary	11.00am
27 th May	Rev. M. White Holy Communion	11.00am

Children are always welcome to join our Sunday School.

Morning Prayer in Croscombe Church

at 8.30am daily, on Monday to Saturday

Holy Communion in North Wootton Church

at 12.15pm on Thursdays

Morning Prayer in Pilton Church at 9.00am on Wednesdays

PARISH CHURCH SERVICES

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6th May	6th Sunday of Easter	
9.30am	Holy Communion	Dinder
11.00am	Family Service with Baptism	Pilton
11.00am	Morning Service	Croscombe
11.00am	Holy Communion	North Wootton
13th May	Sunday after Ascension	
1.00pm	Holy Communion and Picnic, Dungeon Farm (see details on page 5)	Croscombe
20th May	Pentecost	
9.30am	Holy Communion	North Wootton
11.00am	United Service at the Chapel	Pilton
11.00am	Holy Communion	Dinder
6.30pm	Holy Communion	Croscombe
27th May	Trinity Sunday	
9.30am	Holy Communion	Pilton
9.30am	Morning Service	North Wootton
11.00am	Holy Communion	Croscombe
11.00am	Morning Service	Dinder
3rd June	Trinity 1	
9.30am	Holy Communion	Dinder
11.00am	Family Service	Pilton
11.00am	Morning Service	Croscombe
11.00am	Holy Communion	North Wootton