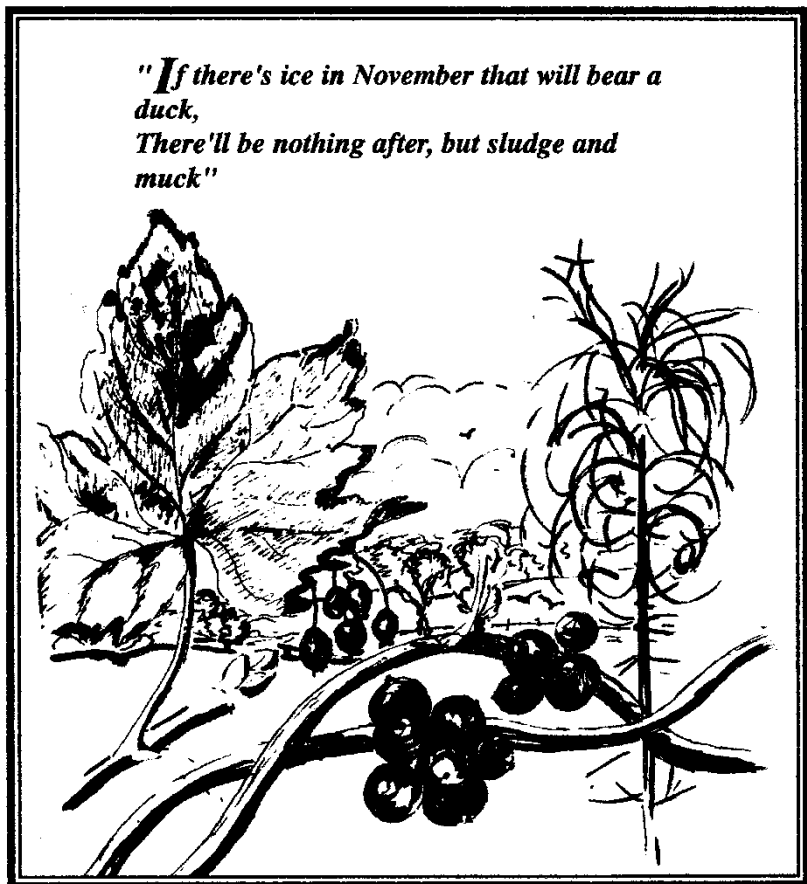


**THE**  
***ROUNDABOUT***  
**CHURCH AND COMMUNITY MAGAZINE**

*"If there's ice in November that will bear a  
duck,  
There'll be nothing after, but sludge and  
muck"*



**NOVEMBER 2015**

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

*All phone codes 01749 unless specified*

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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 now being 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), or Ann Williamson (342919) 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.

**DECEMBER ROUNDABOUT DEADLINE FOR ALL MATERIAL IS**

**MONDAY 16<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 9.00am**

## WHO ARE WE?

So the clocks have changed and summer is now well behind us, the shops are encouraging us to look forward to December (which I am resisting although some of the baubles in the garden centre do look rather lovely....). Before we turn our thoughts in that direction we have November, a month to look back and to remember our past. We have a chance to remember people we have loved who have died, by lighting a candle at the All Souls Service on 1<sup>st</sup> November in Croscombe. The following week we remember those who served and died in wars, as we mark Remembrance Day. Both are occasions when the Church can provide the time and space to remember those close to us and those who have sacrificed their lives for freedom. Further details of these services are in this magazine.

We have a certain fascination with our past. One of the popular shows on television is 'Who do you think you are?' when well-known personalities research their family trees to find out where they have come from. Many of them find they are products of their past as well as their present, but I was wondering - do we actually ever ask the question 'who are we'? Maybe occasionally it is good for us to remember who we are, not just where we come from, not just what roles we fulfil, but who we actually are.

It is so easy going through life meeting other people's expectations and fulfilling the roles they need us to, but God wants us to have 'life in all its fullness', and that means allowing ourselves to be the person he has created us to be. Sometimes we also have to lay down some of our roles as children go off to university or ill health prevents us from doing what we used to do. But God wants us to know it is us he loves, not our roles - remember the words of Psalm 139 'For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.' God made us and he loves us; we were not just made to do but we were made to be. So this November why not spend some time 'being', getting back into contact with yourself and seeing yourself through God's eyes.

*Rev Chris*

## **PRAYER FOCUS**

At this time of remembrance, we pray for all those who have lost their lives in the service of our country, for the families left to mourn and for those still suffering from the effects of conflict.

## **BIBLE READINGS**

1 <sup>st</sup> November	Revelation 21. 1-7	John 11.32-44
8 <sup>th</sup> November	To be announced	
15 <sup>th</sup> November	Daniel 12. 1-3	Mark 13.1-8
22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Daniel 7. 9-10, 13-14	John 18. 33-37

## **ALL SOULS SERVICE**

**1<sup>st</sup> November in Croscombe Church at 4.00pm.**

This service gives space to remember someone you know who has died. There is an opportunity to light a candle and to be thankful to God for their memory. Everyone is welcome to attend, whether your bereavement is recent or longer ago. If you know someone else who might find this service helpful, please let them know; they will be most welcome.

## **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY – 8<sup>th</sup> November**

### **Services in the four parishes**

In **Pilton** starting at 10.55am there will be a formal Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial; at the same time there will be a similar act in the Parish Church to enable those who would find the hill difficult; these will be followed immediately by a Remembrance Service in the Parish Church.

In **Croscombe** there will be an Act of Remembrance in the Parish Church, starting at 10.55am, and followed by a Remembrance Service and re-dedication of the refurbished bells by the Bishop of Taunton.

At **North Wootton** there will be a Family Service appropriate for Remembrance Sunday but prepared and led with the thought that there may well be people of all ages at the service. This will begin with a short Act of Remembrance.

At **Dinder** there will be a service of Holy Communion for Remembrance Sunday at 6.30pm.

Everyone is welcome at any of these services in the parish churches.

## **ST MARY'S CHURCH, CROSCOMBE**

### **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

This year the Remembrance Service will be extra special as Bishop Ruth Worsley, the newly installed Bishop of Taunton is coming to St Mary's, not only to lead the Remembrance Service but also to rededicate our refurbished bells. The service begins at 10.55am and will be followed by a Bring and Share lunch in the Village Hall. Contributions towards a 'finger food' light buffet can be left at the Village Hall (where you can park) before the service if that is more convenient. It will be a good opportunity to meet our new Bishop (and, of course, for her to meet us!). The magnificent response to our bells appeal has been so very heartening: it will be fitting to mark it in this special way. Let's make it a memorable occasion when we can remember and thank both those who have gone before and those who continue to value their community and their Parish Church.

*The Churchwardens*

### **RE-IMAGINING CHURCH.**

This course will help us to reimagine what our Church should look like to address the needs of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. Thank you to all those who have expressed an interest in attending. If you are interested or would like more information please let me know.

The dates of the course will be: Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November 7pm

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November 7pm

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 7pm

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December 7pm

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2016 7pm

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> January am

(exact times TBC). The location will be confirmed when numbers are known.

*Revd. Chris Butler* (contact details on inside cover)

### **ADVENT CELEBRATION on 29<sup>th</sup> November in Pilton Church.**

We will be holding a United Benefice Advent Celebration Service in Pilton Church on 29<sup>th</sup> November starting at 4pm.

Come and join us and bring the family as we journey around the church and visit the characters from the Advent story. We are hoping to have choirs from our local schools joining us and the service will end with light refreshments being served in the Village Hall.

## **PRAYER and a PINT**

**The next meeting will be on MONDAY 9<sup>th</sup> November  
at Crossways Inn, North Wootton at 8pm.**

Prayer and a Pint is an opportunity for discussion  
in a relaxed atmosphere every 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday each month  
and everyone is very welcome to just come and join in.  
We will probably be in the 'blue room' but ask at the bar and  
they will direct you if you can't spot us.

For further details or information please contact  
Revd Chris Butler 899061 [butlerchristine19@gmail.com](mailto:butlerchristine19@gmail.com)

## **YOS**

Our October meeting was an outing to see 'Baked Alaska' a  
performance by Riding Lights Theatre Company. Its message was to  
inform about the environment and climate change. It was fantastically  
thought provoking and provided much food for thought.

November's meeting is on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November where we will be  
getting creative for Christmas!

YOS is open to children of all parishes in year 6 upwards. For further  
information please contact Sandra Kirkham 342221 or Becky Gilbert  
676739

Children of all ages, their families and everyone else are invited to  
a **CHRISTINGLE SERVICE**

on **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December**  
in **Pilton Parish Church at 4.00pm**



or

the following week on **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December**  
in **Dinder Church at 4.00pm.**



Helping to make the Christingles is fun and tasty  
and the lighted ones look lovely,  
however young or old you are.

Supporting the work of The Children's Society.

## 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.

## Funerals

Following a service at Mendip Crematorium on 30<sup>th</sup> September, the cremated remains of **Robert Hurley** were interred in the family grave in Pilton churchyard.

**Pamela Sampson** of Dulcote was commended to God at a service at Mendip Crematorium on 14<sup>th</sup> October.

## THANKS

**Yvette** and **Philip** would like to thank all the people in Croscombe for the lovely flowers and cards sent after Yvette's operation. They were greatly appreciated. We thank you for all your kindness over this time.

I would like to thank the Dinder and Croscombe Cricket Club for the silver plate and gift that I was given in recognition of a total of 50 years as club secretary from 1953 until I stood down at the last AGM. Jane would like to join me in thanking the club for the bouquet of flowers sent to her.

**Roy Thorne**

**Harvest Services 2015.** Once again our churches looked amazing and were full of flowers and gifts as we celebrated harvest. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the decorations and all the various social activities.



Thank you to everyone who supported my Traidcraft Open House. I still have a large quantity of food items in stock. I am happy to deliver goods or catalogues for you to choose your Christmas gifts or cards. If you would like to purchase anything please contact Hilary Austin.

Telephone: 890561 or e-mail: [hilary.austin2@btinternet.com](mailto:hilary.austin2@btinternet.com)

## NEWS FROM CROSCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

[www.croscombe-parish.co.uk](http://www.croscombe-parish.co.uk)

**Neighbourhood Plan** – over the next few weeks councillors will be circulating residentsto ask if you would give an email address for Parish Council use. We will abide by the Data Protection Act and use the email address to forward emergency notices and the initial Neighbourhood Plan for your consultation and comments. We only need ONE email address per household.

This is voluntary and if you do not want to participate then you will receive hard copies of editions of the Plan.

**Farm land on Fayreway** – a villager has purchased the two fields next to the Village Hall to preserve them as green spaces for the village. Such generosity is greatly appreciated.

**Winter measures** – one Bewick swan doesn't make a winter... but we are ensuring that grit bins are filled and that additional measures are available if a real cold spell does happen. If you have any concerns about potential vulnerable neighbours then please let us know and we will compile a list of people to be checked on if severe weather occurs.

**Next Meeting.** - 7.30 pm on November 11<sup>th</sup> in the Church Room. All are welcome.

*Hilary Shergold*

## PILTON PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council want to monitor crimes within the village. Should you be a victim and feel the need to report a crime you should phone the police on 101, which is a non- emergency number, report it and obtain a crime number. Calls to 101 (from landlines and mobile networks) cost 15p per call, no matter what time of day you call, or how long you are on the phone. Please then email the Clerk with these details and she will keep a log of crimes in the village. The Parish Council will then be able to monitor the crimes and pursue persistent crimes with the police.

The Parish Council would like your thoughts regarding the enforcement of the clearway system during the Festival. Please email the Clerk at [karen.buckley75@icloud.com](mailto:karen.buckley75@icloud.com) with your comments.

*Karen Buckley* Pilton Parish Clerk

**IT for the Terrified. Photo Management course** starts Thursday November 5<sup>th</sup> , 10.00am – noon, £35 for 6 week course. Details from **01934 741751** or [itfortheterrified@btconnect.com](mailto:itfortheterrified@btconnect.com)



## **CROSCOMBE VILLAGE HALL REFURBISHMENT COMMITTEE**

proudly present **CROSCOMBE PROMS**  
on **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November** in the Village Hall  
commencing 7.30pm.

The **MIDSOMER NORTON AND RADSTOCK SILVER BAND AND THE CHOIR - WINCANTON** will entertain us with music from **ELGAR to BACHARACH**. Under the Director of Music, Joanne Sykes, this promises to be a very enjoyable evening with singing and flag waving.

**TICKETS £7.50. Enquiries** Alison Hodges 345322 **BAR & RAFFLE.**

All proceeds towards the Hall Refurbishment Fund.

## **MOVIOLA in Crocombe Village Hall**

**'London Road' (15)**

***Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> November***

This musical mystery thriller is based on the interviews about the Suffolk strangler, Steve Wright, and the impact of the series of murders on the residents of an area of Ipswich. Given interesting reviews by the critics. Stars Olivia Coleman and Anita Dobson. Something a little different!

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

Doors open at 7.00pm Licensed Bar Programme starts at 7.30pm.

*Christine Walker, Michael Hay*

## **FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S, CROSCOMBE**

***'Friday Night is Music Night'***

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November 7.30 pm in Crocombe Church Room**

Come and join a small group who gather to listen to a programme of music chosen by Terry McCarthy. The music varies from Big Band Swing to Bach Cantatas. The evening is very relaxed and we usually leave having learnt something new. To get us in the seasonal mood this month's selection features Christmas music from down the ages. Programme notes are supplied and wine and tea/coffee and nibbles served after the music, which will last about an hour.

All are welcome and the evening is free to Friends, £3 to others.

**AGM OF PILTON VILLAGE TRUST (CHARITY NO 233541) AND  
ELECTION OF TRUSTEES FOR PILTON VILLAGE TRUST AND  
PILTON PLAYING FIELD TRUST**

**SUNDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 7.30PM AT THE VILLAGE HALL**

The Trustees ensure the Playing Field and Village Hall building are maintained and developed for the use of Parishioners. Trustees, Proposers and Seconders must be over 18 and live in Pilton Parish or be a past honorary/life member of Pilton Working Men's Club. Trustees are elected for one year.

Nomination forms are available at the Post Office and Village Hall.

To do the best for the Parishioners, Trustees need to reflect a cross-section of residents.

Do consider helping to maintain our village assets for future generations and stand as a Trustee.

Further details are available on village notice boards.

We hope to see you at the AGM.

*Reg Matheson, Chair, PVT*

**Refurbishment of Worthy and Winding Lake Rooms - update**

Together Pilton Village Trust and PWMC Ltd have been exploring plans for refurbishing our village building and plans for Worthy room have been carefully assessed. The conclusion reached is that significant refurbishment is not sensible at the present time due to cost and competing priorities. However we all recognise we need to 'do something', to improve the rooms for everyone. Therefore together we have decided to redecorate both Worthy and Winding Lake rooms and to seek funding to help with costs. We also want to take-forward developments and improvements identified in last year's village survey. These incur costs and money is tight. (e.g. It costs £30-40k annually just to keep the building open, and we keep a financial reserve to cover unexpected building-related costs). Most income comes from bar sales. We are doing what we can to increase this but we need to find additional income sources. Fund raising will be part of that - building on donations from the Spanish Evening, the Table-Top sale (organised by John Howe and Adele Robertson respectively) and the Tithe Barn Halloween party. We are at an early stage. If you have ideas to raise some funds for developments/improvements please contact us. Thanks.

*Reg Matheson* (chair of Pilton Village Trust), *Andy Reilly* (chair of PWMC Management Committee)

## **Free Beer at Pilton Club**

It would certainly be a way of increasing the numbers through the door, but won't contribute to the charitable objectives of the PWMC Ltd in the right sort of way! It isn't difficult to make a profit selling drink. The killer is the overheads. The 'club' picks up all of the overheads of the Village Hall and club rooms combined, and aims to return any surplus to the Village Trust. We are committed to developing the facilities for villagers to enjoy. Everything is under review. Whilst we aim to keep drink prices below those of the 'outside world', we do need to be realistic and cover costs. The food is becoming increasingly popular. In response to feedback, we are aiming to offer food regularly on Friday evenings and each Sunday lunchtime with Wednesday lunches continuing. We are starting to improve our marketing and are reviewing our entertainment programmes. Music nights and the FAN are planned well into the New Year; John Allen's pool competition is this month; private parties and celebrations continue. Come and enjoy what's on offer, be part of the community, meet the regulars and help keep the facility alive and successful – even if the beer can't be free!

*David Johnson*(Finance Director)

## **PILTON VILLAGE HALL EVENTS**

### **NEW EXERCISE CLASSES AT PILTON VILLAGE HALL**

Pilates classes will be starting on 3<sup>rd</sup> November on Tuesdays 2 - 3 pm (book with Lesley Hooper 07814 360016).

If you would be interested in attending an evening Pilates or Zumba class please contact Adele Robertson, 07790004423.

### **CHARITY QUIZ NIGHT. PILTON VILLAGE HALL**

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November 7.30pm start** in aid of the **Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance**. £3 per head to include light refreshments. We all know what a great job they do and any funds we can raise to support them will be greatly appreciated.

*Wendy Lynn*

### **FRENCH DANCING CLASSES**

New Fun Dance evenings, first Sunday every month at Pilton Village Hall. Starts 6th December 5.30 – 7.00pm, £3 for the class or £5 all evening. Live musicians from 8.00pm. Traditional French and Breton. Fun and simple for all ages. No partner needed. Contact Sandie on 07966 394 346

## EVENTS AT OUR VILLAGE PUBS AND CLUB

### The George Inn, Croscombe

**Every Wednesday** – Steak Night – 2 steaks for £22.95

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November** – Quiz Night

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November** Curry Night £12.95 (book in advance)

**Opening Hours** Monday – Thursday 11am – 3pm, 6 – 11pm

Friday 11am – 3pm, 5pm – 12midnight

Saturday 11am – midnight - Sunday 12noon – 11pm

Book your Christmas party early:

menu and further details on our website [www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk](http://www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk)

### Pilton Working Men's Club

Evening Food:

**6<sup>th</sup> November** “Steak Night”

**20<sup>th</sup> November** “Fine Dining”

**27<sup>th</sup> November** “Steak Night”

**Sunday Carvery:** On 1<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> November

**Light Lunches:** Served on 4<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> November and  
2<sup>nd</sup> December

Evening Entertainment:

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November** “The Activators”

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November** FAN welcomes “Chris Jagger”

**Saturday-Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> November** “Johnny Allen Pool  
Competition”

For your Diary: **December 12<sup>th</sup>** – The One & Only,

Rodney Allen

### The Crown Inn, Pilton

**TripAdvisor.co.uk5\* for Food, Service and Value**

**Every Tuesday** – Fun Quiz Night, free entry

**Take Out Meals** – available most nights, please ring

**Every Saturday** – Free bottle of wine or equivalent  
with every two juicy char-grilled steaks ordered

**Sunday Roasts** – not carvery (school dinners!)

We serve you, if you want more just ask.

Main course £8.00, 2 courses £12.00

## 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. ¾ bedrooms, 3 baths, 100m from sea, fantastic views to Looe Island. Ample car parking. Contact Peter and Vryan Graham, The George Inn, 342306 [www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk](http://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](mailto:fionna@fionnaroberts.co.uk), [www.fionnaroberts.co.uk](http://www.fionnaroberts.co.uk)

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

**Dog Walking and Pet Sitting** 07709 739508. Please visit website for details [www.premierpetcarers.co.uk](http://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.

**Suzannah Hawkins, Acupuncturist** (MBAcC, BSc Hons). Hidden Treasures, 5 Commercial Road, Shepton Mallet, BA4 5BU. 07793405144 or email [flourishwellbeing@outlook.com](mailto:flourishwellbeing@outlook.com) or visit [www.flourishwellbeing.net](http://www.flourishwellbeing.net)

**Holiday Cottage,** Centre of Wells, 1 Bed, 1 Bath, Sleeps 2. Dogs welcome. Contact Geraldine on 07799312373 Or [890104.geraldine.hoy@live.co.uk](mailto:890104.geraldine.hoy@live.co.uk)

**Vintage crockery and Tablecloths** for hire. Sarah Bolton 343682

**Christmas trees** (Nordman's non-drop) Norway spruce and Holly wreaths on sale from 1<sup>st</sup> December at 2 Abbots Way, Pilton [Tel:890952](tel:890952)

**Logs** Hardwood logs by the truck load. Call Bryan 07764575997 or 01749 343392

## FOSSEWAY GARDENING CLUB

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm**

**The Fruits of Autumn** - Dr. Ann Bebbington  
**Pylle Village Hall**

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

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

## WHAT'S ON IN DINDER AND DULCOTE

### November

1 <sup>st</sup>	Cricket Club Quiz Night, The George In, Croscombe	8.00pm
6 <sup>th</sup>	Friday Bar in the Village Hall All Welcome	7.30pm
8 <sup>th</sup>	YOS	
15 <sup>th</sup>	Joint Sunday Club, Dinder Village Hall	10.45am
15 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday Bar in the Village Hall	12noon

Dinder's own pub run by volunteers! Do come and meet with friends and neighbours

### December

4 <sup>th</sup>	Dinder Christmas Village Hall Lunch ( pre - book your place - see separate notice)	12.30pm
6 <sup>th</sup>	Cricket Club Christmas Quiz Night & Raffle, The George	8.00pm

### DINDER and CROSCOMBE CRICKET CLUB

The Club's popular Quiz night and raffle will be held on Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> November at 8.00pm at The George Inn, Croscombe.

New players and everyone welcome. *Roy Thorne* Hon Sec 674378

### DINDER and DULCOTE SUNDAY CLUB

We enjoyed thinking about how we are all good at something and that we are all loved!

Our next meeting will be a joint Dinder and Croscombe Sunday Club in Dinder on Sunday November 15<sup>th</sup> at 10.45am in Dinder Village Hall.

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.



Save the Children

**Wells Branch of Save the Children** invite you to a  
**COFFEE MORNING** at  
**SHARCOMBE FARM, DINDER, WELLS** (behind Village Hall)  
on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November** from **10.30 am - 12 noon**  
Cakes/ bring & buy/ Christmas cards/ presents/ plants/ raffle  
Entry £1 to include coffee and biscuits

*Joan Chambers*

## WHAT'S ON IN CROSCOMBE

### November

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|------------------|---|-----------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup>  | All Souls Service, St Mary's Church   | 4.00pm          |
| 1 <sup>st</sup>  | Cricket Club Quiz night at The George Inn.  | 8.00pm          |
| 8 <sup>th</sup>  | Remembrance Sunday Service. St. Mary's Church<br>Led by The Rt. Rev. The Bishop of Taunton<br>Followed by a Bring and Share Lunch in the Village Hall | 10.55am         |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> | Parish Council Meeting. Church Room   | 7.30pm          |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> | WI Meeting. S.D.A.Hall<br>Raymond Budd: 'The Black & White Minstrels'.  | 2.00pm          |
| 18 <sup>th</sup> | Poetry at Mill Mead. For details ring Joy Harvey , 939074.  | 3.30pm          |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> | Senior Citizens' Club. Bring and Buy Sale. SDA Hall.<br>(Membership Subscriptions due)  | 2.15pm          |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> | Croscombe Proms Concert. Village Hall<br>In aid of Village Hall Improvements Fund.  | 7.30pm          |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> | WI Scrabble. (Details from Helen Cox, 343642)   |                 |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> | Moviola Film Night. Village Hall<br>'London Road (15)'  | 7.00 for 7.30pm |
| 27 <sup>th</sup> | 'Friday Night is Music Night'. Church Room  | 7.30pm          |

### December

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|-----------------|--|---------------|
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | December, Croscombe School Christmas Market            | 2.00 – 4.00pm |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | Cricket Club Christmas Quiz and raffle, The George Inn | 8.00pm        |

### CROSCOMBE SUNDAY CLUB

There will be no Sunday Club in November but you are very welcome to come along to Dinder Sunday Club on 15<sup>th</sup> November at Dinder Village Hall from 10.45am.

We will be involved in the United Advent Service on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 4pm in Pilton Church. More details to follow.

For your diary - The Children's Festival at Wells Cathedral is on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2016.

Please contact Sandra (342221) or Bobbie (9381480 for more information.

### CROSCOMBE VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB

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|------------------|----------------|---------------|
| <b>July</b>      | £25 P Baker    | £15 Mrs V Dow |
| <b>August</b>    | £25 C Crumplin | £15 H Cox     |
| <b>September</b> | £25 E Harris   | £15 B Turner  |

## WHAT'S ON IN PILTON

### November

2 <sup>nd</sup> History Group, Village Hall	7.30pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> Village Voices Community Choir, Methodist Church	7.30pm
4 <sup>th</sup> Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall	7.30pm
9 <sup>th</sup> Pilton Show AGM, Village Hall	7.30pm
10 <sup>th</sup> Village Voices Community Choir, Methodist Church	7.30pm
11 <sup>th</sup> Happy Circle, PWMC	2.00pm
'Wildlife on the Somerset Coast', Nigel Phillips	
12 <sup>th</sup> Allotment Association AGM, Village Hall	7.30pm
16 <sup>th</sup> W.I. Visit to Party Packs	
17 <sup>th</sup> Village Voices Community Choir, Methodist Church	7.30pm
20 <sup>th</sup> Charity Quiz Night, Village Hall	Start at 7.30pm
21 <sup>st</sup> Ramble, Village Hall Car Park	2.00pm
24 <sup>th</sup> Village Voices Community Choir, Methodist Church	7.30pm
25 <sup>th</sup> Happy Circle, Video, Philip Eavis, PWMC	2.00pm
25 <sup>th</sup> Royal British Legion AGM, Village Hall	7.30pm
29 <sup>th</sup> United Service for Advent, Parish Church	4.00pm

### PILTON VILLAGE HISTORY GROUP

**Monday November 2nd at 7.30pm**



Some members will be giving short talks about the history of their own homes. Afterwards, as our archives hold many photos of both old and new village houses, we are hoping members can help us identify those we haven't been able to name (as well as naming the people who appear in some of the photos). Please help us build the history of as many houses as we can.

At our December meeting Kate Wilson will be talking about Cider Mugs, their history and the tales they hold. Members are invited to bring along examples for Kate to see.

*Steve Tofts*

### PILTON COMMUNITY ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION

**Annual General Meeting – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November - 7.30pm**

Pilton Village Hall Refreshments – Everyone welcome

We still have several allotment plots, full and half size, available for group or individual use. Anyone interested please contact Freda 890345 for more information.



## Village Voices Community Choir

The newly formed Choir is now up and running, meeting weekly every **Tuesday evening from 7.30pm to 9pm** at the Methodist Chapel, Top Street, Pilton. Some people come every week, some every other week and some when they can and this is fine. We are a friendly, enthusiastic and supportive group and would welcome any new members from the local area. Do come along and give it a try. You do not need to read music or have an amazing singing voice but you will definitely leave each session full of the 'feel good factor' we hear so much about these days.

Our first Christmas Concert will be on the evening of **Thursday December 17<sup>th</sup>** in Pilton Village Hall. There will be more details about this next month, but meanwhile please put the date in your diaries. It will be a lovely evening guaranteed to raise your spirits and send you home with a smile

*Margaret Wheat*



Save the Children

**SAVE THE CHILDREN** Sale of pottery, jewellery and chocolates at Lower Farm Offices, West Bradley BA6 8LT. 01458 850146. Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November 10.00am – 7.00pm, Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November 10.00am – 5.00pm. 10% of sales to SCF. Cards and light refreshments.

**SAVE THE CHILDREN – AN EVENING OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC** at the Abbey House, Glastonbury, Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December. Tickets @ £7.50. Details on 01458 835136 or from Lysbeth Ballantine (676991).



**PILTON RAMBLERS'** November walk will be in the local area, probably to include West and East Compton, but the final selection of route will depend on the conditions underfoot and, in any case it will not exceed five miles. If you would like to join them they will be departing from Pilton Village Hall car park at **2.00 pm on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November**

This will be the last walk of the year but they will start again in February.

*John Wheat 890585*

## **SHEPTON MALLET CARNIVAL – Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November**

Please remember that there will be a road closure order on the A371 from Shepton Mallet to Wells between **10.30pm and midnight**.

## **PILTON SHOW 2015**

The Chairman and Show Committee thank everyone who contributed in any way to a successful and enjoyable weekend. A full list of special trophy, section cup and class winners can be found on <http://www.piltonflowershow.org.uk/index.html> Flower Show entries were up by 5% to 550.

Attendance on the field was good, entertainments genial and lighthearted and all stalls kept very busy. The new format of Barn Dance seemed to be appreciated but all feedback is welcome.

Please bring your comments or suggestions to the **AGM on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30 pm at the Village Hall**, followed by cheese and wine. Anyone interested is invited, particularly if wishing to become involved!

## **MYSTERIES TO SOLVE**

Pilton Show received two mysterious donations, for which they would like to trace – and thank - the kind donors. One was some perfectly-made bunting, found on Jenny's doorstep in late July, perhaps in answer to a plea for the Barn Dance? The other was in boxes of books: a chemist's ledger from around 1915, made by Walter Morris, possibly of Sutton, containing remedies for all kinds of complaints. So how did it get there? Even though not Pilton, it could be of interest to the History Group, particularly for researching life 100 years ago. Please contact Jenny on 890465 if you can solve these mysteries!

## **PILTON SHOW CALENDAR 2016**

Next year's calendar contains photos from the Village History Group's Archives, showing rural life approximately 100 years ago. A mixture of old postcards and images taken with a large plate camera, it shows how much things have changed. Sales benefit Pilton Show, from which all profits are shared between village organisations. Calendars are on sale at the Post Office, priced at £5 each.

## **ROYAL BRITISH LEGION PILTON BRANCH Annual General Meeting**

The Annual General Meeting is on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30 pm. It will be held in 'Winding Lake' room on the first floor of the Village Hall. Everyone is welcome.

*Liz Elkin*

## DINDER VILLAGE HALL CHRISTMAS LUNCH



**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2015**

Our last lunch for 2015 is on Friday 4 December. This is our traditional Christmas Turkey Roast followed by a selection of delicious desserts, all for £5.50. Drinks are bought separately at the bar. Please pre-book by phoning either Margaret Bancroft (674943) or Jill Gibbons (689112). Do try to book early as this is our most popular lunch! Please pay when you arrive. Doors open at 12.30pm and we start serving at 12.45pm. We look forward to seeing you all.

### **CROSCOMBE SENIOR CITIZENS**

We began our meeting as we always do, by singing to anyone with a recent birthday, and this time it was Gertie, who had reached a marvellous 90 on August 28<sup>th</sup>. Many happy returns to her.

The talk, on Marie Curie Cancer Care, was not only interesting but inspiring. One story alone made me resolve to become more actively involved. It told of a young father dying in hospital of cancer, whose four children couldn't visit him together, as only two visitors were allowed at a time, and there was no room for all their cards on his locker. Marie Curie arranged home care, so his last days were spent with his whole family plus the dog playing around his bed all the time.

Formed in 1948 through the sale of a diamond ring for £175, they are the leaders in research and palliative care, and nowadays nurse all terminal cases not only those with cancer. They are 50% reliant on donations, and anything can be left in a will, not only money.

Gertie had brought a lovely cake for tea as well as chocolate biscuits, which we all thoroughly enjoyed.

*Barbara Lippett*

### **GLOBE CARNIVAL CLUB**

Grand Christmas Bingo

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November at Wells Football Club** (Rowden Road)

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December at Croscombe Village Hall**

Doors open 7.00pm; eyes down 8.00pm

Jackpot House £100.00, and first class prizes.

For more details contact Wendy on 675877



## NEWS FROM CROSCOMBE SCHOOL

Everyone has been very busy during the first half term of this school year. There have been a variety of activities including a visit by children from Year 3 to the Mendip Ploughing Match where everyone enjoyed looking at the tractors and other machinery, the horses and the 'huge' vegetables. A real highlight was the free ice cream, with the lemon curd flavour being a special favourite. There was also a tractor ride across the whole site, which Indi described as 'like being on a bus but with holes in it'. Lots of other activities were available – no wonder some snored on the return journey.

We joined enthusiastically in the Summer Reading challenge organized by local Libraries and we really were record breakers with the highest uptake from the nine participating schools so well done everyone!

Harvest Festival was very well supported; local Children's Centres and the Salvation Army are making good use of the produce.

Year 6 had a very interesting day at Whitstone School, experiencing Maths, Science, Drama and even German.

*Steve Heath, Headteacher*

### **Croscombe School Christmas Market, Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2 - 4pm**

The Christmas Market is held in the school hall. It is a lovely festive event and a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon! The market includes fantastic independent sellers as well as games designed and run by the Junior pupils, arts and crafts stalls, bric-a-brac, pre-loved uniform, The Acorn Cafe, Father Christmas in his Grotto and many more attractions! Entry is free so do come and join us for a great afternoon!

### **GOOD NEWS FOR THE CROSCOMBE VILLAGE HALL PROJECT:**

Not only have we reached our first big goal of **£10,000**, but Viridor has provided us with a grant of **£61,000!** There is much now to plan and more to raise, so please continue to support us as much as you can – join us for a lively evening at the **Croscombe Proms** at the Hall on **November 21<sup>st</sup>**

*Miranda Spenlove-Brown,*

## **THE FESTIVAL RUN 2015 – Thank You**

*“Did you enjoy it ?” I asked a runner. “Not on that 9k hill (I walked) but yes I did – I stopped to look and take a photo backstage at the Pyramid Stage” .“ I never appreciated how steep the hills are - I’ll be back next year”.* 550 runners of all ages completed the 2, 5 and 10 km Runs coming from far (Manchester, Rugby, Truro etc) and near (Pilton, Glastonbury, Wells etc) (400 last year); and £8000 - all the runners’ entry fees - raised for two local charities – Children’s Hospice South West and the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance (£4500 last year).

The whole event was only made possible because of the enthusiasm of the 106 local volunteers who cheerfully handed out running numbers, directed cars, baked wonderful cakes and marshalled the Course. They made the Runners’ day. We owe a huge debt to the whole village for taking this event to your hearts. Thank you very much from the organizing team – Chris King, Mike Mayhew, Julia Dukes, Joe King, Richard Raynsford, Digger Barnes, Julie Patterson, Sally Robertson and Christopher Bond. It is a true community event. BBC Somerset and BBC Bristol both covered it.

*Christopher Bond*

## **CROSCOMBE VILLAGE STORES**

Opening Hours: Weekdays 7.00am – 7.00pm

Saturdays: 7.00am – 6.00pm, Sundays: 9.00am – 12noon

“Tell us what you want for Christmas . . . . . we’ll get it for you”.

## **PILTON HAPPY CIRCLE**

Our meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> September was cancelled as many members wished to pay their respects to Bob Hurley who is remembered as one of the kindest Piltonians. We send all our condolences to his family.

At our first October meeting Sara Robertson came loaded with craft items and taught us how to use them to good purpose producing a Christmas card. We look forward to many original greetings this year – inspired by a fascinating afternoon. Thank you, Sara, keep on crafting!

We would like to invite all villagers to our 11<sup>th</sup> November meeting when we have what promises to be an engrossing lecture on the wildlife of the North Somerset Coast. There are some fine and varied sites to visit only a short distance from here – let’s learn how to enjoy them.

*John Howe*

## **Parishes of Pilton, Croscombe, North Wootton and Dinder**

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## **PILTON METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES**

1<sup>st</sup> November Anna Schiffer 11.00am

8<sup>th</sup> November Remembrance Sunday –  
United Service at Parish Church **10.55am**

15<sup>th</sup> November Rev Colin Anderton - Holy Communion 11.00am

22<sup>nd</sup> November Mrs E Manley 11.00am

29<sup>th</sup> November Geoff Chapman 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

## NOVEMBER 2015

### **1<sup>st</sup> November All Saints**

9.30am	Holy Communion	Dinder
11.00am	Family Service	Pilton
11.00am	Morning Service	Crocombe
11.00am	Holy Communion	North Wootton
4.00pm	All Souls Service	Crocombe

### **8<sup>th</sup> November Remembrance Sunday**

<b>10.55am</b>	Remembrance Service	Pilton
<b>10.55am</b>	Remembrance Service	Crocombe
<b>10.55am</b>	Remembrance Family Service	North Wootton
6.30pm	Holy Communion	Dinder

### **15<sup>th</sup> November 2 before Advent**

9.30am	Holy Communion	North Wootton
11.00am	Family Service and Baptism	Pilton
11.00am	Holy Communion	Dinder
6.30pm	Holy Communion	Crocombe

### **22<sup>nd</sup> November Christ the King**

9.30am	Holy Communion	Pilton
9.30am	Morning Service	North Wootton
11.00am	Holy Communion	Crocombe
11.00am	Morning Service	Dinder

### **29<sup>th</sup> November Advent 1**

9.30am	Holy Communion	North Wootton
4.00pm	Advent Carol Service	Pilton

### **6<sup>th</sup> December Advent 2**

9.30am	Holy Communion	Dinder
11.00am	Family Service	Crocombe
11.00am	Holy Communion	North Wootton
4.00pm	Christingle Service	Pilton