

# The PARISHES' PAPER

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*Staying safe in  
the community*

The magazine for  
St Peter's Church, Dalwood;  
St Giles's Church, Kilmington;  
St Michael's Church, Shute;  
St Michael & All Angels Church, Stockland;  
St John the Baptist Church, Yarcombe

# THE SUNDAY SERVICES

We have been advised that the Archbishops of Canterbury and York have issued advice that public worship in the Church of England is suspended until further notice. We have decided to publish the planned service rota and service announcements as usual since we are uncertain how long this suspension will last. Please check with your church for the most up to date information.

## April 2020

DATE	Dalwood	Kilmington	Shute/ Whitford	Stockland	Yarcombe
<b>Sunday April 5th</b> Palm Sunday	11am Family Service	10am Meeting at Miller's Farm Shop & Service at The Beacon at 10:30am	11am Holy Communion	11am Family Communion	11am Family Service
<b>Sunday April 12th</b> Easter Day	11am Holy Communion	9:30am Holy Communion	No service	11am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion
<b>Sunday April 19th</b> Easter 1	11am Holy Communion	No Service	11am Morning Prayer	11am Join Baptist Chapel	No Service
<b>Sunday 26th April</b> Easter 2	11am Mission Community Holy Communion at Yarcombe				

## GROWTH MATTERS: MIDWEEK SERVICES

*Let us not become weary  
in doing good for at the  
proper time, we will reap  
a harvest if we do not  
give up'*

*Galatians 6:9*

### Midweek Holy Communion:

**Tuesdays 9.30am** St Giles's, Kilmington

**Wednesdays 9.30am** St Peter's, Dalwood

### Pauses for Prayer:

**Tuesdays 9.40am** Yarcombe

**Tuesdays 10.20am** Kilmington

**Tuesdays 10.30am** Stockland

### Bible Studies & Home Groups:

**Mondays 7.30pm** Yarcombe

**Tuesdays 3.30pm** Dalwood

**Tuesdays 7pm** Kilmington

**Wednesdays 7pm Dalwood** - For further details please contact Martin or Caroline Nunns



# RESURRECTION: A LIFE-LONG PROCESS

Anna Crabbe

**RESURRECTION is a life-long process, but that first Easter morning it was entirely new.**

The dictionary definition of 'resurrection' gives us a number of suggestions as well as the definition of 'resurrection' as a term used by Christians to describe Jesus rising from the dead following his crucifixion - a core tenet of our faith.

Alternative terms included: renewal, awakening, rebirth, stimulation, re-establishment and revitalisation.

We may all have experienced 'resurrection' in the form of these definitions, but not seen such events as coming from God. If we see the possibility of God-given resurrection at work in our lives, the question then is this: would we see these events in our lives differently if we saw them as coming from God?

When we pray for a joyous event or the resolution of a difficulty, might our feeling of a prayer answered be enhanced by seeing the outcome in

terms of a resurrection? This may help us feel closer to God and give us a greater sense of "being made in his image and likeness" (Genesis 1: 26-28).

We can apply a theology of resurrection to the receiving of Holy Communion, which may make us more conscious of meeting with the Holy Spirit and feeling a sense of renewal, rebirth and revitalisation.

Through God's grace, he will equip us for our own context and enables us to become much more like the people he designed us to be.

The expression of our discipleship will change as our circumstances change and the challenges we meet change too. Resurrection is a life-long process for us all. May the miracle of Easter bring you love, joy and happiness to last a lifetime.

**An Easter poem:**

*Christ our life,  
You are alive in the beauty of*

*the earth  
in the rhythm of the seasons  
in the mystery of time and space.*

*Christ our life,  
You are alive in the tenderness  
of touch  
in the heartbeat of intimacy  
in the insights of solitude.*

*Christ our life,  
You are alive in the creative  
possibility  
of the dullest conversation  
the dreariest task  
the most nerve-racking event.*

*Christ our life,  
You are alive to offer new creation  
to every unhealed hurt  
to every deadened place  
to every damaged heart.*

*Christ our life,  
You set before us a great choice.  
Therefore we choose life.*

**Kathy Galloway**

AT the time of printing, the coronavirus is gripping our country and our church has had to become a different sort of church serving people in a new way. Public worship has had to stop for a

season. Archbishop Justin Welby has urged us to become a different sort of church in these coming months: hopeful and rooted in the offering of prayer and praise and overflowing in service to the world.

Please, therefore, join us in this great challenge; and pray for our Government and nation, for each other, and especially for those who work in our health and emergency services.

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# PSALM OF THE MONTH

PSALM 116 - chosen by DAVID WILSDON

**THIS psalm joins those others which can be labelled as 'Individual thanksgivings for deliverance from near-death situations'.**

It can stand as a good model for those of us who have had similar relief following illness or accidents. Moreover, some of its sentiments can apply to us all, for how shall we repay the Lord for all the benefits he has given us?

As we walk in the land of the living, we, too, can offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving, lift up the cup of salvation and fulfil our vows to the Lord in the presence of all the people. Further, as Christians, we clearly have good cause, both on our own and in our fellowships, to rejoice and give thanks for the "salvation" that is the hallmark of our faith.

1. I love the Lord, for he has heard the voice of my supplications; because he inclined his ear to me on the day I called to him.

2. The snares of death encompassed me; the pains of hell

took hold of me; by grief and sorrow was I held.

3. Then I called upon the name of the Lord; 'O Lord I beg you, deliver my soul.'

4. Gracious is the Lord and righteous; our God is all of compassion.

5. The Lord watches over the simple; I was brought very low and he saved me.

6. Turn again to your rest, O my soul, for the Lord has been gracious to you.

7. For you have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears and my feet from falling.

8. I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

9. I believed the I should perish for I was sorely troubled; and I said in my alarm, 'Every one is a liar.'

10. How shall I repay the Lord

for all the benefits he has given to me?

11. I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord.

12. I will fulfil my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.

13. Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his faithful servants.

14. O Lord, I am your servant, your servant, the child if your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

15. I will offer you a sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the Lord.

16. I will fulfil my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people,

17. In the courts of the house of the Lord, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

**Alleluia**

## Bible readings April 2020

Sun 5 Apr [R] Palm Sunday	Isa: 50:4-9a Ps: 118:1-2,19-End [or 118:19-24]	Phil: 2:5-11 Matt: 21:1-11
Sun 12 Apr [W] Easter Day	Exod: 14:10-End Ps: 46	Acts: 10:34-43 Matt: 28:1-10
Sun 19 Apr [W] Easter 1	Ps: 16	Acts: 2:14a, 22-32 1 Pet: 1:3-9 John: 20:19-End
Sun 26 Apr [W] Easter 2	Zeph: 3:14-End Ps: 116:1-3,10-End [or 116:1-7]	1 Pet: 1:17-23 Luke: 24:13-35

## From the registers...

### Funerals

**Raymond Bradley** of Dalwood Memorial service at a date to be advised

### Reverend David John Reading

**Moseley** of Seaton  
Funeral at St Giles's Church, Kilmington at 11am on March 20th

### Leonard Bond

of Yarcombe  
Funeral at Yarcombe Church at 12noon on March 19th

### Christenings

**Rosie Gullick**, Baptism at St Giles's Church, Kilmington, 2pm, March 15th

**Finlay Buse**, Baptism at St Giles's Church, Kilmington, during service, March 15th

**Summer Louise Spiller**, Baptism at St Michael and All Angels Church, Stockland March 15th

# Zimbabwe women lead the World Day of Prayer service with colour



By Mary Harrison

**THIS year's World Day of Prayer service was put together by the women of Zimbabwe and its theme was Rise! Take up your Mat and Walk.**

As always, it is very interesting to learn more about their country, their lives and the joys and sorrows that they face.

In a 'letter' written by the women, they highlighted the traumas of recent years, including political violence, unemployment and HIV-Aids.

Yet they say that the majority of the population is Christian and they are always praying for "the integrity of our churches and our country".

Colour was an important part of the

service - candles of red, white and yellow were lit to represent love, peace and reconciliation and a display table of African instruments, crafts and clothes was festooned with fabric in the colours of the Zimbabwean flag.

A meditation session allowed people to write down commitments to improving their own spiritual health and that of their communities.

There will be a meeting at a future date to read these out and pray over them.

This particular service is for all denominations of Christians and we were delighted to have this opportunity to come together and to have visitors from Axminster churches. My thanks to all who helped make it a rewarding service and lunch afterwards. Next year, Vanuatu!

## Rev Holloway safe and sound

**I AM very pleased to let you know that Simon and Pauline Holloway have returned safely from their travels to the Far East and Australasia and have moved to Weston Super Mare.**

Their address is 15 Yarbury Way, Worle, Weston Super Mare BS24 7EP.

We wish them every happiness in their new home.

**Martin Nunns  
Lay Chair  
Five Alive Mission  
Community Council**

## STAY SAFE AND STAY IN TOUCH

Send your parish news, views and photos to the village correspondents. We are putting together special features for the coming months' issues to keep our community connected. Please see further details on page 13

The Parishes' Paper would like to clarify where contributors should send material they wish to be published.

Parish-specific editorial material for publication on a specific Parish page (Dalwood, Kilmington, Stockland, Shute, Whitford and Yacombe) should be sent to the respective parish correspondent.

Non-parish-specific editorials and all adverts (including for charities and charitable events) should be sent to Martin Nunns.

In order to ensure your advert is printed please do not send adverts to the parish correspondents.

We welcome photographs and request that these are sharp images and at least 1MB in size. Items for

inclusion on the Future Events page and pages 1-7 should be sent to Martin Nunns.

Email addresses for the above contacts can be found on page 31 and we would be very grateful if you could submit your contributions by the deadline date printed each month on page 31.

Thank you.

## CYPRUS RE-VISITED

**AS Caroline had never been, we decided to have a month in Cyprus early this year.**

I had deployed there on a number of occasions in my RAF days, the last time being when Turkish forces invaded the Island on July 20th 1974. No.6 (fighter) Squadron which I commanded, flying Phantom multi-role aircraft at RAF Coningsby, was ordered to arm up with its air-to-air missiles, air-to-ground rockets, bombs and guns and to fly out to RAF Akrotiri overnight, flight refuelling from Victor tankers on the way.

There had been no warning, and to have 15 fully-armed Phantoms on the ground in Cyprus by dawn was no mean achievement.

Unfortunately, I was not with them because Caroline, myself and Guy, aged seven years, were on holiday in Jordan at the invitation of King Hussein. To explain, I had flown the King in a Folland Gnat fast jet trainer during his State visit to the UK in 1965, and he and his entourage had spent the weekend at RAF Coningsby in January 1974, celebrating the 60th anniversary of the formation of No.6 Squadron.

We had invited him because the squadron had been presented with the King of Jordan's Standard by his father, King Abdullah, in Amman in 1953, and we always paraded it with our own Royal Standard on ceremonial occasions.

The first that I heard of the Turkish invasion was when King Hussein himself told me that my squadron had deployed to Cyprus. Naturally, my immediate reaction was to say that I must get home but he told me that a message had been received via the British Embassy that I was to stay the extra few days, returning on schedule and that arrangements had been made to fly me out to Cyprus on July 29th to take command of all the UK reinforcement forces.

Back in the UK, the Station Commander briefed me on the situation in Cyprus, stressing that our role was limited to the protection of the two British Sovereign Base areas (Akrotiri and Dhekelia) established under the terms of the 1960 Treaty of Independence.

When I arrived in Cyprus, the airfield and Sovereign Base areas were crowded with hundreds of refugees, holiday makers and families of British service personnel



living outside the Sovereign areas waiting to be evacuated from the Island by air or sea as the fighting and fires were closing in on their homes.

Among them, although I was obviously unaware at the time, was my future daughter-in-law, Leisa, aged nine, who had been living in Limassol and was waiting for a passage home with her family. Those living in married quarters on base were accommodating and feeding other families and tents had been provided for many.

I spent the first three nights sleeping on the floor at the squadron accommodation where we had two Phantom crews at five-minute readiness, another two at 15 minutes and the rest available at short notice. The Turks had powerful maritime, ground and air forces which, of course, were a threat to the British areas, so we had to be prepared. The early warning radars in the Troodos mountains were on constant alert and we were flying combat air patrols throughout the six weeks as the fighting spread closer before the ceasefire. It was sad to see the Island being decimated and divided but the British had to remain neutral and there was little we could do about it.

Obviously, I had no chance to travel outside the Base areas during the conflict so we were determined to see as much as possible during our holiday this year. Our hotel was on the beach in Coral Bay, just north of Paphos, which enabled long walks up and down the coast; it was ideal for touring the west of the Island, the north part being particularly unspoilt and well preserved. Polis, where the ancient kingdom of Marion thrived from its gold and copper mines, and the

Akamas peninsular, where the baths of Aphrodite are located are particularly lovely. While Paphos is a booming holiday resort, it has a wealth of history and the mosaics uncovered from Roman villas in the 2-5 centuries AD have been beautifully restored. East, along the south coast, lies Petra tou Romiou and Aphrodite's rock in a spectacular location, leading to the great archaeological site of Kourion with its reconstructed Roman theatre perched on the edge of the bluff.

The Troodos mountains are quite spectacular but it is easy to understand with its steep slopes and gorges how the EOKA fighters under Georgeios Grivas in 1955-59 managed to inflict so many casualties on British Forces who suffered nearly 400 fatalities. The memorial to the freedom fighters in Nicosia shows how proud the Cypriots were that they had helped to secure the country's independence.

The city is divided with the Turks occupying the northern part and a buffer zone, patrolled by United Nations peacekeeping forces, still extends across the Island with the Turks occupying 37 per cent of it.

The biggest scar on the landscape is in Famagusta where the pre-1974 beach resort of Vorosha is deserted and mined off with barbed-wire fences and is left to rot. There remains a lot of bitterness between Greek and Turkish Cypriots even in the south where some Turks are living and working.

RAF Akrotiri today, on the peninsular just south of Limassol and commanded by Gp Capt Christopher Sneath, is strategically well placed to support operations in the Middle East, and detachments of Typhoon fighter aircraft from my old squadrons of No.s 6, 2 and 3 are deployed there on rotation, supported by tanker aircraft, drones and surveillance aircraft.

They have played a major role in conjunction with United States and French Air Forces in fighting Daesh and supporting the Syrian Democratic Forces. The night skies over Syria (and nearby) are very busy in a complex airspace environment. In our small peaceful villages, perhaps we should give more thought and prayers about our aircrew operating in such difficult and dangerous situations. ▶▶▶



CLOCKWISE from top left, Coral Bay from the balcony; The Archbishop's Palace; The freedom fighter's memorial; Aphrodite's baths



## PARTNER CHURCHES IN THIS AREA

### Sunday services in other local churches:

Dalwood Methodist: 11am

Yarcombe Baptist: 11am

The Beacon - Baptists in Kilmington: 10.30am and 6.00pm

Roman Catholic: 9am Lyme Road Axminster; 11am Silver Street, Lyme Regis

### The Beacon - [www.beaconbaptist.org.uk](http://www.beaconbaptist.org.uk)

#### Events at The Beacon, Whitford Rd, Kilmington EX13 7RE

##### Sunday 22nd March

9.45am - Special Breakfast Church for Mothers' Day followed by Worship Service at 10.30am

##### Sunday, March 8th

6pm - Celebration Service

##### March 9th and 23rd

10am - Reflections Group

##### Sundays

10.30am - Morning Worship Service

##### Tuesdays

##### POST OFFICE

10am - 12noon Post Office services available at The Beacon every Tuesday with FREE drinks for all users

##### Tuesday, 3rd March

10.30am-1pm - Messy Sparklers. A sensory play group for parents and

carers with children age 0-4. Stories, play, songs and lunch. Lunch & snacks £2.00 for adult + child in a relaxed environment.

##### Tuesday, March 17th

10.30am - CAMEO (Come And Meet Each Other) Coffee Morning

##### Tuesday, March 17th

12.30am - Contact Lunch

##### Wednesday

##### 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th March

##### Toddlers & Tinies

9.30am - Parents, carers and little ones can come in term time to enjoy space where babies play and parents relax.

Refreshments are served. Suggested donation £1.

##### Wednesdays

3.30pm term-time only - Flame 2

After School Club for Primary School Children.

##### Thursdays

7pm term-time only - Fusion Youth Club

##### Friday Mornings

10.30am - Focus Prayer Group

##### Saturday, March 14th

2pm - Scrabble Club

##### SPECIAL EVENTS

##### Friday, March 6th

11am - World Day of Prayer (The Beacon to host)

##### Saturday, March 14th

8.30 to 10.30am - Women's Breakfast - all welcome

##### Saturday, March 28th

8am to 10am - Men's Breakfast with guest speaker Steve Waller

### Yarcombe Baptist Chapel

April at Yarcombe Baptist Chapel Following our regular pattern Palm Sunday will be a joint service at the Parish Church.

Then on Good Friday, April 10th there will be a joint service at the

Baptist Chapel. I shall lead worship. The service will be followed by refreshments which will include the traditional hot cross buns.

Easter Sunday, April 12th

worship will also be led by me and that service will be followed by refreshments of tea coffee and Easter biscuits.

Do join us if you can.

**Thelma Clarke**



# DALWOOD NEWS

Parish correspondent Michael Dods - dr.michaeldods@btconnect.com

Parish distributor Susan Hunnisett – 01404 881268

By Michael Dods

ST Peter's Church parochial church council (PCC) will be launching an appeal in the coming months to raise funds for essential repairs and maintenance of the church.

These could include a new heating system and more comfortable seating.

Whether you are a regular churchgoer, just go once or twice a year or never go, the church is literally at the heart of the village and is most deserving of our attention, particularly if, like me, you wish to see it stand proudly in place for another thousand or so years, and, with luck our grandchildren and their grandchildren will be able to benefit from the presence of this lovely building.

So it has been decided that a

## Church friends



Friends of St Peter's group is to launch, asking for regular help from parishioners.

There is often a common misconception that the Church of England will provide what is necessary, but in fact the Church of England in any parish is the

congregation, and those who support the work of the church in that parish.

So, we are asking all those who live in the parish to do what they can to support the cause.

We already hold regular seasonal festival displays and small charity concerts and, in the meantime, it is hoped that St Peter's will continue to be used for more events in the future.

There will be a leaflet in a future issue of *The Parishes' Paper* and we are hoping for regular financial help from all parishioners. It is hoped that 'friends' regular weekly, monthly, or even annual giving can help to ensure that St Peter's continues to be a welcoming and useful part of Dalwood village life.



### Dalwood Community Shop and Post Office

YOUR shop is here for your convenience, saving YOU time and petrol

We accept cash and all major credit cards

email: [dalwoodcommunityshop@outlook.com](mailto:dalwoodcommunityshop@outlook.com) tel: 01404 881401

#### SHOP OPENING TIMES

Monday- Friday: 8.30am - 6.00pm  
Saturday: 8.30am - 4.00pm  
Sunday: 8.30am - 12.30pm

#### POST OFFICE opening times

3 mornings a week  
MONDAY: 9.00-11.30am  
TUESDAY: 9.00-11.30am  
THURSDAY: 9.00-11.30am



A HUGE **thank you** for all your donations, fundraising and pledges YOU have helped us reach the target of **£30,000** for the Coffee Shop Appeal

To All our customers and volunteers **thank you** ALL

Whilst the Supermarkets sold out: We have toilet rolls, paracetamol and hand wash on our shelves ... **PLEASE** use the shop as the reality in to-days climate with lots of shops closing is:

**IF you don't USE it you LOSE it**

**PLEASE** support **YOUR** Community Shop and Post Office

## SHOP ON TARGET

**THE target for Dalwood's community shop fundraising project has been reached.**

All building plans have been approved and the thermometer has been updated to show the target figure for the building.

Over 80 per cent has been donated by residents and village organisations which is a major achievement and is evidence of the strong support for the project.

The building work has been held up with negotiations on the lease which has highlighted unforeseen parking issues.

To seek an acceptable resolution, we have been determined in ensuring any new lease protects the shop's future. Whilst, to date, we have not legally agreed terms of the new lease, we are hopeful this will be

resolved to all parties' mutual agreement. The AGM will be on Monday, April 27th which will offer the committee the opportunity to update shareholders in more detail.



## Different taste

**AFTER the 'shall we-shan't we' go ahead debate due to the coronavirus outbreak, the St Peter's Church Wine Tasting Evening went ahead.**

This was wine tasting with a difference - the group had to believe and vote for one of the three 'experts', each describing the wine that was being tasted.

Sometimes believing even one of them was difficult for some! But this made the evening a whole lot of fun. Thanks go to the three over-acting 'experts' - Hilary, Michael and Simon, to Michael who put a lot of work into the descriptions, table quizzes and sourcing the wine, to Sue and team for preparing and serving food and for all those who helped and came. It is hoped a similar evening will be repeated later in the year.

### **Corrydale Singers 2020**

**meet on**

**TUESDAY's 7.30pm Village Hall**

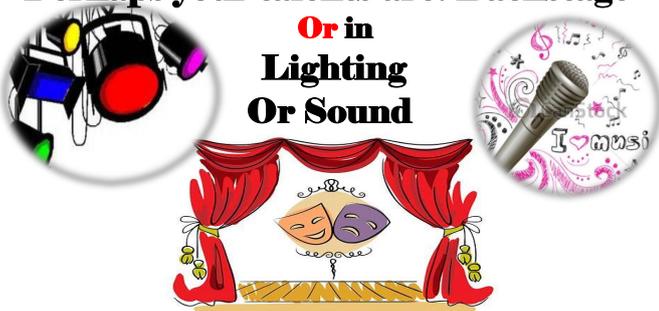
## **We need cast on stage**

**Perhaps your talents are: Backstage**

**Or in**

**Lighting**

**Or Sound**



**No experience necessary just energy and enthusiasm**

**No age barriers from the young to the not so young**

## **ALL very welcome**

**Corrydale Shows have been entertaining Dalwood for more than 30 years... monies raised from the shows supports Dalwood Country Fair**

**Corrydale needs YOU... are you Interested?**

## **Please come along any Tuesday**

**Dalwood Village Hall 7.30pm**

**Or to find out more please email Debbie:**

[debbie\\_jowett@outlook.com](mailto:debbie_jowett@outlook.com)

**Rehearsals are on Tuesdays to show dates Aug 17/18/19<sup>th</sup> August**

### **Tuckers Takeaway**

We are aware that a lot of people in our community are currently staying in their homes to self-isolate

To try and help the community during this time we will temporarily be offering a takeaway and collection service

Customers can order food over the telephone and we will deliver within two miles of Dalwood or food can be collected from our premises

**Menu for the week commencing 24<sup>th</sup> of March**

Antipasti meats with bread olives and salad

Steak and Ale Pie with Mash Peas and Gravy

Vegan Red Pepper and Cauliflower Curry with Rice

Sausage Mash and Peas

Pork Stroganoff with Rice

Thai Chicken Curry with Rice and Naan

**£8 each, delivery or collection is included**

All food is freshly made to order in foil takeaway containers for the customer to heat at their convenience at home

**Order on 01404 881342**

Order in advance or by 12pm on the same day

Home delivery can be made 2pm-5pm

Collection anytime 11am-3pm 6.30pm-11pm

**Payment can be made over the telephone by credit/debit card or cash on delivery/collection**

Please understand that due to the current situation to protect our staff and customers we can only allow customers covid 19 symptom free onto the premises for collections.

Please advise staff of any allergies or intolerances when ordering.

We at the Tuckers Arms would like to thank our customers for always showing their support, were proud to be a business in the heart of Dalwood.

# DALWOOD NEWS

## St David's service

**SUNDAY, March 1st was St David's Day and, if the parishioners at St Peter's had any doubts about it, they were greeted by the Welsh dragon depicted on bunting hanging in the church porch!**

The service was led by Martin Nunns and the illustrated talk was given by Christine Wyatt and Caroline Nunns with help from Morris McGowan, who also read the Collect.

Dewi Sant (St David) was born in about 520AD in Pembrokeshire. He lived a simple life and did not eat meat or drink beer.

His legacy was that he told people to "be joyful, keep the faith and do the little things you have seen me do", he was quoting St Paul's letter to the Philippians, not boasting. He wasn't perfect but gave a life lesson to his community as to how to live humbly, lovingly and honestly.

Gwyn Rosser read the Epistle and



also from the gospel of Mark, which he read first in English and then in Welsh from a bible which was over 90 yrs old!

Christine led the intercessions. The congregation were then invited to join in with some Welsh phrases. Refreshments were served after the service. Thanks go to everyone who was involved in putting this lay-led service together.

## Go, create!

**THERE is interest in this year's title for the art and photography section, This Makes me Happy, which will be part of the Dalwood Summer Show tent.**

One enterprising child has made a sparkly entry already, and lots of ideas are under discussion around the villages.

Classes are for under-15s and adults. Anyone making an item for the show judging but would be happy to offer it for sale afterwards then just attach a price ticket to it, or tell Helen or Chris when you deliver it to the tent on fair day, August 15th. There were many enquiries last year because the entries in the art, craft and cake classes were so good.

A full list of classes will be published in next month's *The Parishes' Paper*.

## EASTER LILIES

**Still going ahead despite Coronavirus**

St Peter's Church, Dalwood will again be decorated with lilies for Easter.

If you would like to donate a lily in memory of a loved one and have their name recorded on a commemorative scroll displayed in church, please contact:

Sue Drew on 01404 831365 or

Caroline Nunns on 01404 881313

Or leave your name on the form in church.

Each lily will be £3.50, please pay Sue or Caroline.



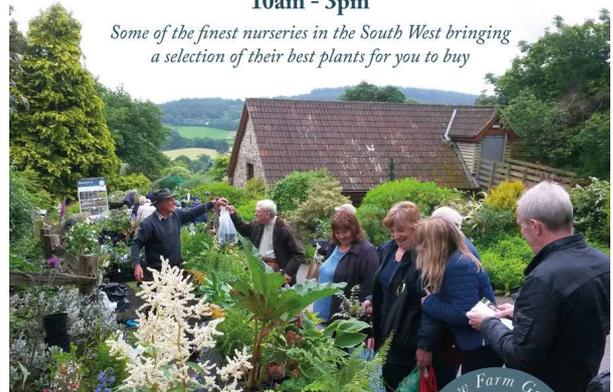
## Burrow Farm Gardens

### SPRING PLANT FAIR

**Easter Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2020**

10am - 3pm

*Some of the finest nurseries in the South West bringing a selection of their best plants for you to buy*



Entrance to fair £1.00

Dalwood, Axminster, East Devon, EX13 7ET

[www.burrowfarmgardens.co.uk](http://www.burrowfarmgardens.co.uk)



**Unfortunately the Plant Fair is cancelled but the Gardens are still open.**

**We look forward to seeing you.**



# KILMINGTON NEWS

Parish correspondent - Michael Tyler - [mwtyler2@googlemail.com](mailto:mwtyler2@googlemail.com)

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## Duke of Edinburgh team takes up new location at Lyme Regis with Adam

By Anna Crabbe

**THE Five Alive Duke of Edinburgh Open Award group that has been based in Kilminster will change its location.**

It will now be based in Lyme Regis and comes under Dorset rather than Devon.

Adam Taylor has taken over from me as leader and we have a bronze group starting and are looking for new members.

The award is for 14 to 25-year-olds and involves four sections at bronze and silver levels - volunteering, sport, skill and expedition.

For gold, there is an extra section - the residential, which involves being away four nights on a group activity. We currently have a silver group who are soon to complete and will be moving on to the gold level and a small bronze group which needs more members.

The expedition can be walking, canoeing, sailing, horse riding or cycling. We tend to do walking expeditions. Bronze involves camping one night locally, silver two nights, usually in the Purbecks, and gold three nights in wild country, usually Dartmoor or the Brecon Beacons. Both Adam and myself are qualified to lead groups in wild country and have outdoor qualifications for camping



**THE end of an expedition, above, and Adam with the bronze team, left**

supervision on Dartmoor and the Brecon Beacons.

The award has been running since 1994 in Kilminster and we have had several hundred young people complete all three levels, so many trips to St James's Palace have been made for the gold

presentations. Prince Edward has taken over from the Duke of Edinburgh for the presentations and there are many inspirational celebrities at these events, who talk to the young people and their parents such as Ben Fogle, Catherine Jenkins, Baroness Grey-Thompson and Julia Bradbury.

If you know anyone interested in joining us please contact Adam at [adamtaylor204@gmail.com](mailto:adamtaylor204@gmail.com) or 07944 412975 or myself at [anna.crabbe@icloud.com](mailto:anna.crabbe@icloud.com) or 01297 32777.

Please send Kilminster news, views or ideas to the parish correspondent Michael Tyler - [mwtyler2@googlemail.com](mailto:mwtyler2@googlemail.com)

# KILMINGTON NEWS

## Real Easter eggs

**OUT** of the 80million chocolate Easter eggs sold each year, The Real Easter Egg is the only fairtrade one with the Easter story in the box.

They are made by The Meaningful Chocolate Company, based on a farm outside the Cheshire village of Lymm, from delicious fairtrade palm oil free chocolate and the packaging is plastic-free.

St Giles's Church has given away eggs by the Open the Book team to the schools which they have visited in the area. The Meaningful Chocolate Company also makes other seasonal goods and chocolate bars.

*Diana Mellows*

## Radio Double

**AS** there are some people in and around Kilmington who know Brother Samuel SSF - alias Richard Double, the son of the late Derek and Joyce Double, of Meadow Bank, and a frequent visitor to Kilmington over the years - I thought they might like to know that he has a short series on Radio 4 in Holy Week.

The details are:

The Passion in Plants will feature on BBC Radio 4 FM from April 6th-10th at 9.45-10am.

Some of the episodes were recorded in the gardens at Hilfield Friary, near Cerne Abbas, others in Kew Gardens and Regents Park.

*Anne Double*

## Lily memories

**A REMINDER** to Kilmington residents who would like to give lilies in memory of loved ones at Easter, please pass your orders to Caroline Lavender on 01297 34922 or Jenny Nickolls on 01297 639758 by Thursday, April 2nd.

The names of those to be remembered will be recorded in church on Easter Sunday, April 12th. The church will be beautifully decorated to celebrate Easter so please feel free to call in at any time to view the arrangements.

*Caroline Lavender*



**CHRISTINE** Mills, Caroline Nunns and Diana Mellows, with children from Kilmington School in St Giles's Church

*Photo by Nicola Mackenzie*

# 'Greedy farmer' involves children

By Anna Crabbe

**FARMING** took centre stage at a recent Open the Book event performed at the three Five Alive primary schools.

The Open the Book team performed the Greedy Farmer story in Kilmington, Stockland and Shute schools with several children taking

part.

We also went to Marshwood Primary School which had requested a visit and were very warmly received there.

The school does not currently have an Open the Book team which visits the school regularly.

We sang This Little Light of Mine, a song which all the children knew well.

# CORONAVIRUS: CHANGE IN OUR COMMUNITY

By Kate Williams

IT is not my custom to write a column in this publication - although I wrote one for many years during my editorship at *Pulman's Weekly News* and the *View From newspaper* series.

However, with this extraordinary situation we are all finding ourselves in at the current time, I thought a note from me would be warranted.

Initially, I would like to apologise for any events advertised in this issue which do not end up taking place. As you are likely aware, *The Parishes' Paper* team is a very small one, made up mostly of volunteers and our deadline fell at a time when government guidelines were changing daily.

This means that some of the stories and adverts may not be as up-to-date as we would like. We have done our very best, in the time given, to adapt the publication as much as we were able but a print deadline is a print deadline.

I would like to thank our readers for their understanding on this matter.

As we proceed, it is inevitable that we will have less, if any, events to

advertise over the coming few issues so our correspondents will be working in a different way to continue to bring our community together during the coronavirus pandemic.

In future issues, you are likely to find more interviews with local people and extended feature pages.

We in uncharted waters, a phrase I have heard and read many times over the past few weeks, meaning we are having to change our day-to-day lives dramatically.

It is the first day of 'home schooling' for my family, as I write this. We have some set work from Shute Primary School and I have a number of ideas to keep my little ones entertained but I continue/attempt to work from home to keep the pennies rolling in. We are all in this together - distancing ourselves socially from the ones we love and care about.

I think it is extremely important that we all work together at this time of uncertainty, doing what we can to uplift and be kind to each other.

So, I ask you, our readers, to keep in touch, send us photos of what

you're up to, whether it be home schooling, working from home, gardening, keeping yourselves occupied indoors. This will help to give us a social outlet and share ideas too.

It is great to hear how much kindness there is around and how people are really helping others... bulk buying aside - don't get me started on that!

Please talk to your parish correspondents (contact details on page 31) of any community groups or individuals doing amazing things.

I would also like to run a 'parish thanks' page in the next issue, in a form similar to 'letters to the editor' but this will be 'thank you letters' from residents - to anyone who has helped you or the community that you think deserves a pat on the back.

Please send your thank-you letters to me via email to [kate.williams5@icloud.com](mailto:kate.williams5@icloud.com) or via your parish correspondent.

Let's stand together. Let's be kind and support each other through this difficult patch which will go on for a while but not forever.



## Volunteers Required

**at Marjorie Baker House (Abbeyfield), Colyton**

Would you like to join our team of voluntary lunchtime assistants?

Can you spare a one and half to two-hour commitment just once a month?

Our volunteers provide assistance to our regular staff on weekday lunchtimes, from 12.30pm until approximately 2pm. Duties are organised on a rota and we require a commitment to a regular slot on an agreed day.

Tasks include waiting at table, clearing tables, washing up and, most importantly, enjoying conversation and interaction with our residents.

For more information, please telephone **01297 553217** to speak to our House Manager. Thank you.



# STOCKLAND NEWS

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— STOCKLAND ACADEMY NEWS —

## FANTASTIC 8-0 WIN



### Post surprise

**CHILDREN** in Class 1 have been writing some very special invitations to their families.

We won't give the secret away, but Class 1 parents should keep a close eye on the post over the next few days.

The children have learnt lots about the journey a letter takes from posting to delivery and today they posted their invitations at the village post-box.



Huge congratulations to the Year 5 boys (pictured above) for winning the Youth Speak Competition in March. They all spoke beautifully and passionately about their chosen subject, Knife Crime in London.

Year 6 have enjoyed dissecting hearts this week and labelling the different parts. They have also used an augmented reality T-shirt and app to view the different systems of the body including the circulatory system.



By Gill Metcalfe

**STOCKLAND Academy's girls' football team took on Exeter on Friday, February 28th and were fantastic.**

Their passing and accuracy were a joy to watch finishing with a score of 8-0 to Stockland.

Shrove Tuesday's Pancake races were postponed until Wednesday due to the weather, but this delay didn't seem to dampen spirits.



**STOCKLAND Academy's girls' football team, top, and the pancake races, above**

## We are gifted with a precious jewel in Devon's rural heritage

By Gill Metcalfe & Colin Bennett

**'ESCAPEES' moving into the parish frequently cite the need to put the pressures of their previous lives behind them.**

They mention the stress of town/suburban life; the pace and pressures of business with deadlines and targets to meet and the incessant demands of the commercial world; the relentless traffic and the building works all being the most common reasons for the move.

Why these 'movers' arrive in Stockland may seem a mystery but it is easy to explain. Visitors to Stockland usually come off the 'seven-mile straight' at the Royal Oak Crossroads. When Golden Square is reached, the view ahead surely takes over. Moving downhill to Shortmoor Cross crossroads - the panorama ahead is just breathtaking.

It doesn't take long to breathe in the unpolluted air all around and then later to view clear night skies to acknowledge that the past is worth leaving behind with the Stockland parish fulfilling the escape dream.

Colin Bentley is one such escapee; his article, Heathstock Heaven, appeared in last month's *The Parishes' Paper* and hopefully he will continue to contribute with his personal style, humour and observations on a regular basis. As such his heartfelt observations are continued in the following piece.

**CROSSING the 'seven-mile straight' by the Royal Oak en route to Stockland signals the home run.**

A little further down the road and the familiar vista of fields, farmland and forests that surround Stockland, never fail to embrace me with that feeling - this is home!



The view from Shortmoor Cross

It is oh-so-easy to miss the magnificence of the rural environment we are privileged to enjoy every day. As my wife often says, "We live in a region where people pay to come on holiday and we get it all for free."

I am minded of the legendary Native American Chief Seattle, who famously wrote to the President of the USA who was seeking to buy the traditional Indian lands.

*"Yonder sky that has wept tears of compassion upon our fathers for centuries untold,*

*and which to us looks eternal, may change.*

*Today is fair, tomorrow may be overcast with clouds.*

*My words are like the stars that never set.*

*How can you buy or sell the sky, the warmth of the land?*

*The idea is strange to us. If we do not own the freshness of the air and the sparkle of the water, how can you buy them?*

*Every part of this earth is sacred to my people. Every shining pine needle, every sandy shore, every mist in the dark woods, every clearing and humming insect is holy in the memory and experience of my people. The sap which courses through the trees carries memories..."*

The full testimony is well worth checking out.

Chief Seattle's is a timeless and masterful testimony that we, here in Stockland, might do well to pause, consider and think we too live in such a wonderful environment. We really are gifted with a precious jewel in Devon's rural heritage.

Enjoy this and every day of life. After all, life itself is a gift!

# STOCKLAND NEWS

## Lunch ladies

NOW that the lovely King's Arms pub is back again, a suggestion was put forward to start a Ladies' Lunch Club scheduled to meet on the first Tuesday of each month.

To this end, some 18 of us met recently and spent a couple of hours enjoying both good food and company in the warm and welcoming traditional dining room.

Everyone agreed that this is something which we would like to continue doing for the foreseeable future.

Ben will provide menu choices in advance of each meeting and it would be helpful to book beforehand by contacting Jane on 01404 881805 - do join us!

*Jane Wedlock*

## PAUSE FOR PRAYER

Now and then in life, love catches you unawares, illuminating the dark corners of your mind and filling them with radiance. Once in a while you are faced with a beauty and a joy that takes your soul, all unprepared, by assault ... Was it perhaps ... could it be the love of God?

*(Written by Jennifer Worth)  
Philippa Wilks*

# John gives an illustrated talk

By Jane Wedlock

**JOHN Foulkes, the speaker for the Swag March meeting, gave an illustrated talk on the Lofoten Islands, which are some 80 miles inside the Arctic Circle off the coast of Norway.**

Family connections and the reputed beauty of the country drew John to this archipelago, which is ice-free all year round due to the presence of the gulf stream and has an amazing landscape with seemingly sheer mountains rising straight out of the sea.

One of the islands boasts the shortest name for a village in the world - A<sup>o</sup>. Larger cruise ships do not visit as the journey would be too treacherous - an added attraction perhaps - the famous maelstrom where two currents pass each other being one of them.

Norway is one of the richest countries in the world due to its large deposits of natural gas and oil, all of

which it sells - the country itself uses hydro-electric power - enabling the building of good roads, fantastic bridges and lengthy tunnels.

The landscape is covered with huge timber drying racks where fish, particularly cod, is dried for export - the heads go to Africa to make soup and the rest largely to Brazil and Portugal.

Cod liver oil is surprisingly important for the manufacture of explosives leading to Germany invading the islands in the Second World war where some 500,000 troops were tied up for the duration of the war.

Huge-scale tumble dryers can be seen all over the islands to dry nets in support of the fishing industry.

Houses do not have gardens as the summer is very short and there are few trees with wildlife that includes elk, reindeer, wolverine, arctic fox and orca together with a large population of kittiwakes.

John has a particular interest in photography and illustrated his talk

Please send your Stockland news and views to Gill Metcalfe - [gilldog12@gmail.com](mailto:gilldog12@gmail.com)



NOT only did these enthusiastic runners from Stockland Academy run solidly for Sports Relief on Friday, March 13th, they went on to run a further 4k at Cross Country Club after school



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## Christopher, a giant of a man in all ways

By Nigel Freathy

### OBITUARY:

#### Christopher Pole-Carew

**CHRISTOPHER died in February at the age of 88. For many years, following his retirement, he and his wife, Gill, lived at the family's ancestral home, Shute Barton and then at Middle Westwater.**

Throughout these retirement years he threw himself into energetic participation in local activities, including the Shute Parish Council - of which he was chairman - and the Shute Parochial Church Council - of which he was churchwarden. His funeral was held in Shute church in early March.

Christopher had a long professional career in the newspaper industry after 10 or so years in the Royal Navy. The skills and talents that he showed in his working life he brought to bear here in East Devon.

He was energetic, far-sighted, imaginative, resourceful and efficient. He hated red tape, inefficiency, muddled thinking and pessimism. Life was to be lived and things that needed to be done should be done as quickly as possible.

He thought outside the box and inspired others to do the same, much to the frustration of those who preferred the status quo. He was loyal to institutions and people that he valued and respected.

He was kind, thoughtful and hospitable. He had a great sense of humour. He had a deep faith and he was very brave, not least when dealing with serious injuries after a car crash in New Zealand, dealing with family tragedies and when facing his own death over the last few months. He had many varied talents including carpentry and fishing, writing and gardening.

He will be very much missed for he was in every sense a giant of a man. Our hearts go out to Gill and the family at this time.

## Shute Festival is postponed

**FOLLOWING Government advice over the coronavirus outbreak, Shute Festival events planned for May, June and July will be postponed.**

We very much hope to reschedule them at a later date. We continue to monitor the situation, and will make announcements about the events currently programmed for later in the year as soon as possible.

*Sam Knights*

## No evensong at current time

**THE Choral Evensong planned for May by the Shute Plainsong Choir has been postponed.**

We hope that the sung services will resume on a future occasion.

*Bijan Omrani*

## Lucky ladies learn of Brent's books

**IT has been said by Christopher Hitchens that everyone has a book in them.**

The Umborne and Shute Ladies Group was pleased to hear that Brent Shore had at least four books within him which have now all been published. He came to talk to us on Thursday, March 5th about his latest book, *Blessed are The Meek*, revolving around the life of his namesake, James Shore, a

machine mender in the cotton mills of the north west during the 19th century. It is based on the facts of James' life and the historical events at the time, The Plug Riots of the 1840s.

Brent read us extracts which brought to life the harsh conditions for workers and their families in the mills. Luckily the book and his previous ones were on sale so we will be able to discover how James

Shore's part in the riots affected the rest of his life.

Our next meeting is on Thursday, April 2nd at 7.30pm at Umborne Hall. Phil Atkins, from Atkins Antiques in Axminster, will be coming to talk about life as an auctioneer and will also do some valuations. Visitors welcome are welcome. Tickets are £3, including refreshments and a raffle.

*Linda Ambler*

**IMPORTANT: At the time of going to press, the Government advice to practice social distancing was just published, and many of the events advertised on these pages may be subject to short-notice cancellation. Please check with the organisers for further details.**

## St Michael's Church Flower Rota

April 5th - Lent - no flowers  
April 12th - Easter Sunday -  
All helpers please  
April 19th - Flowers will stand  
April 26th - Flowers will stand

May 3rd - C Churchill  
May 10th - M Albano  
May 17th - C Amato  
May 24th - M Prideaux  
May 31st - B Harris



## School's out

**CHILDREN** at Shute Primary School spent their last day in their classrooms on Friday, March 20th due to the Government's decision to close all schools until further notice.

Luckily, there was time on the last day for the children to take part in some Easter activities.

Egg rolling - where pupils were asked to bring in a hard-boiled egg and took turns rolling them to see whose went furthest - and a decorated egg competition were held.

# Quartet plays fantastic jazz

By Bijan Omrani

**THE first Villages in Action event for 2020 was a return visit by The Neil Maya Quartet, who last played in Shute's church in February 2018.**

Once again, the musicians were fantastic and provided a wonderful evening of 1950s Jazz.

Despite wet weather and other difficult circumstances, the turnout from the dedicated audience was

sufficient to turn a respectable profit which will go to the maintenance of the church.

Many thanks to everyone who helped with or supported the event.

Unfortunately, the next event organised in conjunction with Villages in Action – the award-winning folk duo Ninebarrow – originally planned for Friday 15th May, has had to be postponed. It is hoped that the event can be rearranged at a future date. All updates will be published here.



NEIL Maya Quartet plays at Shute's church earlier this year

Please stay in touch. You can send your Shute and Whitford news, photos, events and ideas to correspondent Bijan Omrani - [bijan.omrani@btinternet.com](mailto:bijan.omrani@btinternet.com)





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## Produce association gets set for annual plant sale

**THE Whitford Produce Association is having a busy time preparing for its upcoming plant sale on Saturday, May 9th, 10am-12noon.**

Last year, the hall was filled to capacity with so many plants and customers that it over spilled into the car park.

The sale does have a good reputation of having a wide variety of bedding and vegetable plants so, make a diary date to come and get plants at extremely good prices.

Organisers would be delighted if villagers would enter their flowers and veggies into the summer show which is due to be held on Saturday, August 1st.

Last year, the association made a donation of £1,000 to Force cancer charity and this year its aim is to make donations to Devon Air Ambulance and Whitford Village Hall.

**Maureen Davey, Chairman,  
Whitford Produce Association**



## Costume chat

**ANOTHER enjoyable monthly meeting for the Musbury and Whitford WI.**

The group was entertained by Rosemary Griggs and her alto ego - the Elizabethan Lady Katherine, wife of Sir Walter Raleigh and mother of Sir Walter Raleigh the great Elizabethan explorer.

Rosemary is a costumed guide at the National Trust's Compton Castle. She wore one of her fabulous costumes which she thoroughly researches and then makes. An evening to remember.

Next month, on April 14th at 7.30pm, James Chubb will be telling members about Seaton Wetlands. A jumble sale is due to take place at Musbury Village Hall on Saturday, April 25th.

**Jean Fullerton**



**SPRING flowers will be available at the upcoming plant sale**

*PHOTOS BY: Maureen Davey*



# YARCOMBE NEWS

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## Tuesday Club get knitting

**DIANE Frost and Barbara Salter used their month's choice of subject to encourage Tuesday Club members to use their skills in knitting for a couple of good causes.**

A class for the Flower Show Handicraft section is to make a knitted blanket. The Bracken Birth Centre at Musgrove Park Hospital in Taunton is looking for knitted blankets approximately 24" square to add to a welcome pack for new babies, which will fit the crib in the hospital. Several members have these underway at present and these were brought along to be seen by all.

Another, less time-consuming project is to help the 10th anniversary of the Exeter Knotty Knitters, the 125th for the Devon County Show and the 100th for the WI, by making the longest knitted bunting world record attempt. These can easily be made with all those leftover bits of wool and take very little time, so went down a treat.

During the evening, Pat Bright also showed how to knit domino squares, another use for odd bits and pieces. There was plenty of time to knit and natter and enjoy refreshments of tea, coffee and biscuits during this peaceful and leisurely evening.

Next month Pat Bright will introduce members' photos of favourite places in the UK.

## Congregation gives Smarties the answer

By Rebecca Bell

**THE March All Age Service took place on the first Sunday of Lent and the title was The Snake in the Desert - A Temptation Story.**

Before the service Lucas and Jake Dear played the piano, this has now become a lovely opening feature to our family services, enjoyed by all.

Elizabeth Freeman led the service and introduced the Church's Season of Lent, reminding us of the forty days that Jesus spent fasting in the wilderness. Christians identify with his suffering by giving up something or by taking up a challenge during Lent. More of this later...

Ellie Rich read the Prayer for Today, followed by Benjamin and Holly Rich reading verses from Psalm 91.

The Gospel reading, Matthew 4 verses 1-11, The Temptation of Jesus, took the form of a dramatisation, narrated by Lucas and Jake Dear, with Chris Manning as Jesus and Lin Box as Satan. This really brought the passage to life.

Rebecca Bell then talked about how we may be tempted in different ways and a few brave souls shared their experiences with everyone! Followed by how we should try to listen to God's voice of love and do the right thing and not follow the voice of Satan.

Rebecca then explained the 'Smartie Challenge'. This involved everyone taking home a tube of Smarties and after eating the sweets, to refill the tube with money and then return the tubes to church on Easter Sunday. The money collected will go to a chosen charity.

Then we all read the Smartie poem:

Pink for the people who came and praised,  
Green for the palm leaves that they raised;  
Purple for the robe that Jesus wore,  
Brown for the cross that Jesus bore;  
Red for the blood that Jesus shed,  
Blue for the tears when he was dead;  
Orange for the stone that was rolled away,  
Yellow for joy - He's alive today!

The hymn books were given out by Jake Dear and Barbara Salter and the collection was taken by Edward Rich and Jake Dear. Louise Dear played the piano during the service and after.

The prayers were read by Grace Rich, Ellie Rich and Mary Smith.

After the service Jessica and Ellie Rich distributed the Smarties to everyone.

Drinks were served after the service and a selection of fruit replaced the usual baskets of biscuits... Well it is Lent after all! Our thanks to everyone who helped in any way.

## Forum asks questions over immigration limits

**'WHAT limits should there be to immigration?' was the question posed by Douglas Jones at the Friday Forum which was held at Glebe Farm on Friday, March 6th.**

Douglas made several comments on his opinions and asked everyone to formulate three questions that a customs officer should ask every potential immigrant. After deliberation in groups, a consensus

delivered the following replies.

1. What skills or qualifications can you offer this country?
2. Can you provide for yourself and your family?
3. Have you got a criminal record?

As a nation, we have benefitted from immigration from Vikings and Saxons through the centuries. We have taken refugees from oppression and others who have

inspired many, developed inventions, made medical breakthroughs and taken on tasks willingly. We are grateful for their inclusion.

Thanks go to Brian and Mary Smith for their hospitality and to those who provided refreshments.

There will be no forum in April but details of the May meeting will be advertised.

## English oak tree sapling is planted

**AN English oak tree sapling, provided by Perrie Hale Nursery in Honiton, had been given to Yarcombe Parish Council by Devon County Council as part of the Ash Die-back Replacement Scheme.**

Members of the community gathered behind the Jubilee Hall on Saturday, March 14th, where Nicola Meyrick performed the ceremonial planting.

This was the inaugural start to Yarcombe's VE Day celebrations and there will be a dedication ceremony when a plaque will be erected on May 8th during other village activities which are being planned for all those who wish to attend in the village.

**Nicola Meyrick plants the English oak tree sapling in the village of Yarcombe, as part of the Ash Die-back Replacement Scheme, top. Right, members of Yarcombe community gather at the ceremonial tree planting**



## Cathy ensures fun questions

**YARCOMBE Jubilee Hall committee members organised another popular wine and wisdom evening on Saturday 7th March.**

The ticket price included a complimentary bottle of wine for each table, together with a feast of bread, cheese and nibbles to be consumed during the evening.

A total of 15 tables of six people

answered questions on 10 subjects set by quizmaster Cathy Derryman, together with a picture round and a dingbats conundrum, each team playing their joker for double points on their favoured (or least dreadful option).

Raffle prizes were announced between rounds rather than the inevitable long drawn out affair at the end of the evening.

Scores varied from between 78 points to a thrilling final with three points between the first three teams. Worthy winners being team no 16, comprising Lucy and David Morgan, Judith David, Elaine and Julian Glynn and Jean Rich with 116 points. Thanks go to Cathy and family for their sensible and fun questions - the evening was immensely enjoyed by all.

Please send your Yarcombe news and views to Lesley Sutton - [rovingsutton@btinternet.com](mailto:rovingsutton@btinternet.com)

Our seasonal feature: EASTER BISCUITS by Sue Drew

## A LIGHTLY-SPICED EASTER TREAT

**EASTER biscuits are a traditional British cuisine gift given to guests on Easter Sunday.**

Originating from the Westcountry, these lightly spiced, currant-studded round biscuits have a soft, biscuit-like, sugary crunch.

Some traditional recipes, originating from the Somerset area, include Cassia oil, in the belief that it was used in the embalming process used to clean Jesus's body after his crucifixion.

### Ingredients:

- 2oz lard and 2oz of margarine
- 4oz caster sugar
- 1 egg
- 8oz self-raising flour
- 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon
- 3oz currants

### Method:

- 1) Mix ingredients together using the creaming method.
- 2) Roll out mixture on a floured board to about 1/8in thick and cut into rounds.
- 3) Place on greased baking trays and bake at 170C for 10mins.
- 4) Place on a wire tray and sprinkle with caster sugar whilst still hot.



### YARCOMBE WEATHER FEBRUARY 2020

	2020	2019	2018
Average Max. temperature	9.7°C	10.7°C	6.75°C
Average Min.	4.6°C	3.6°C	0.5°C
Average Overall temperature	7.2°C	7.0°C	3.6°C
Rainfall	215.1mm	71.6mm	61.8 mm
Wettest Day	15th 26.3mm	3rd 17.1 mm	12th 18.2 mm
Sunniest Day	27th 8.0 hrs approx	26th 10.5 hrs	24th 9.0 hrs
Warmest Day	23th 12.5°C	27th 16.4°C	19th 11.1°C
Coldest Night	28th 1.4°C	3rd -4.7°C	28th -5.6°C
Sunshine hours	86 hours approx	108hrs	138 hrs

This month was the wettest February in the United Kingdom since records began. However in this area we were lucky as it was not as wet as the rest of the country.

My records show that we had 268.9mm in February 2014. This fell on top of the January total 314.6mm and in December 2013 we had 246.3mm. This made a total of 829.8mm for one of my friends in Stockland that is 32.5 inches which was 70% of our average yearly rainfall. During that winter the Somerset levels were flooded for a couple of months.

Tony Newman



# Palm Sunday

## All Age Service

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April at 11am  
St John the Baptist Church,  
Yarcombe,  
with Yarcombe Baptist Chapel

'What sort of a King is Jesus?'  
(Come and find out!)



10.50am procession to church from the Village Car Park

## Stockland Church

Easter Monday April 13th  
2020

Victory Hall, Stockland

10am to 12 noon

## Brunch and Coffee

Brunch, Adults £6, Children £3

Coffee £1



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## FIVE ALIVE COMMUNITY OIL SYNDICATE

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EITHER MAKE A REQUEST FOR  
AN EXACT AMOUNT OR IF  
ORDERING A 'TOP-UP' THEN  
PLEASE SUBMIT AN ACCURATE  
ESTIMATE AS POSSIBLE WITH  
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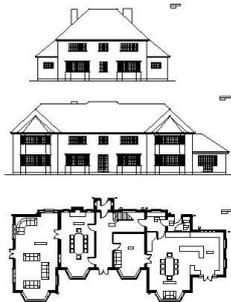
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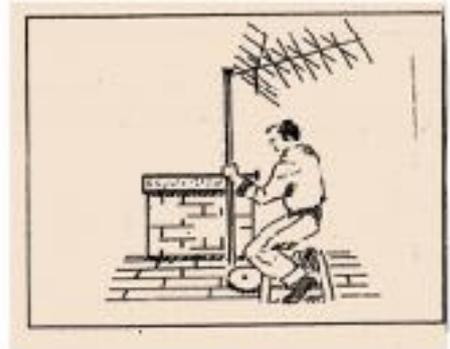
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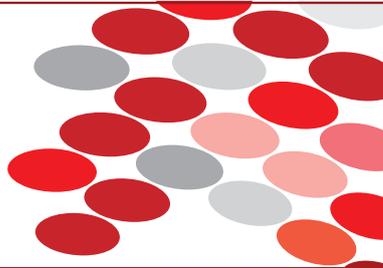
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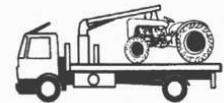
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<b>Wed 1st</b>	15:30	The Beacon, Kilminton	Flam2! Afterschool Club for Primary Children
<b>Sat 4th</b>	19:30	The Minster, Axminster	CPE Bach's St Matthew Passion
<b>Sun 5th</b>	14:00	Whitford Village Hall	Sunday Lunchtime Bar
<b>Tues 7th</b>	19:30	Whitford Village Hall	Skittles & Social Evening
<b>Sun 12th</b>	10:00	Burrow Farm Gardens	Spring Plant Fair
<b>Mon 13th</b>	10:00	Victory Hall, Stockland	Brunch & Coffee and walk with Bryan Drew
<b>Tues 14th</b>	10:30	Whitford Village Hall	Tuesday Chat!
<b>Tues 21st</b>	10:30	The Beacon, Kilminton	CAMEO Coffee Morning & Contact Lunch
<b>Wed 22nd</b>	10:30	St Peter's Church, Dalwood	Coffee Concert, Maggies' Mix from Yarcombe
<b>Wed 22nd</b>	19:30	Whitford Village Hall	Skittles & Social Evening
<b>Wed 22nd</b>	9:15	The Beacon, Kilminton	Toddlers & Tinies - Toddler Session
<b>Fri 24th</b>	20:00	Tucker's Arms, Dalwood	Tuckers Jazz - Pete Oxley & Nicholas Meier Quartet - Virtuoso Guitrists
<b>Sat 25th</b>	8:00	The Beacon, Kilminton	Men's Breakfast - All are welcome
<b>Sat 25th</b>	14:00	Dalwood Village Hall	Jumble Sale
<b>Sat 25th</b>	14:00	Musbury Village Hall	Jumble Sale for Axminster Hospiscare in the Home
<b>Mon 27th</b>	19:30	Dalwood Village Hall	Dalwood Community Shop and Post Office AGM
<b>Tues 28th</b>	10:30	Whitford Village Hall	Tuesday Chat!
<b>Tues 28th</b>	10:30	The Beacon, Kilminton	Messy Sparklets (irregular date!) - Sensory play session for preschoolers with lunch for £2
<b>Wed 29th</b>	19:00	Chard Equestrian Centre	The Horse in Art raising funds for RDA

## May

<b>Sat 2nd</b>	10:30	Stockland Church	Coffee Morning & Cake Stall for Stockland Church Flower Fund
<b>Sat 9th</b>	10:00	Whitford Village Hall	Whitford & District Produce Association Annual Plant Sale
<b>Sat 9th</b>	14:00	Victory Hall, Stockland	Spring Plant Sale

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