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and St John the Baptist Church, Yacombe**

THE SUNDAY SERVICES



February 2022

DATE	Dalwood	Kilmington	Shute/ Whitford	Stockland	Yarcombe
Wednesday 2nd	9.30am Book of Common Prayer Said Communion				
Sunday 6th			11am Mission Community Holy Communion held at Shute		
Tuesday 8th		9.30am Said Communion			
Sunday 13th	11am All Age Service	11am Morning Worship	11am Holy Communion	11am Morning Worship	11am Family Service
Wednesday 16th	9.30am Said Communion				
Sunday 20th	11am Holy Communion	9.30am Holy Communion		11am Family Service	6.30pm Evening Worship
Tuesday 22nd		9.30am Said Communion			
Sunday 27th	11am Morning Worship	9.30am Morning Worship	6.30pm Choral Evensong	9.30pm Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion

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

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<https://www.fivealive.org/>



TO PLANT IS TO BELIEVE IN TOMORROW

REV JULIE LOMAS

IF I say the word, “trees” I wonder what comes to mind for you? From The Vicarage windows, we look into the churchyard at St Giles’s and can see a variety of trees, most of which are in their resting season, apart from the evergreens, amongst which the yew trees are visible, having a long tradition of having been planted in churchyards.

In the churchyard, there is also a tree which was planted in the year 2,000 by the children from Kilmington Primary School – marked by a plaque:



I wonder where those children are now? Perhaps you were one of them, or you know someone who took part in the planting ceremony and you could share your memories with us.

Around our parishes, there are other signs of the way in which significant dates have been marked, including this stunning artwork in

Shute Parish Church behind which is a time capsule recording the names of all the parishioners of the time.



This month, on February 6th, we remember the 70th anniversary of the death of King George VI and the ascension to the throne of Queen Elizabeth II.

A platinum jubilee is a memorable occasion in anybody’s life, and we will be celebrating in different ways in our villages this year, and especially during the weekend of June 2nd-5th.

Let’s get our creative thinking caps on and come up with some special ideas for us all to mark this occasion in our villages, inside and outside our churches.

70 years is about the time it takes for a tree to begin to mature. An oak tree won’t reach this stage until it is a couple of hundred years old!

The Queen’s Green Canopy is an initiative to encourage the planting of new trees during this year — queensgreencanopy.org — and it is my hope that we will get involved in our parishes, as a mark of times past, and as a sign of hope for the future.

Audrey Hepburn once said that “to plant a garden is to believe in tomorrow”.

The prophet Jeremiah spoke of the hope that is to be found with God with this gardening image: “But blessed are those who trust in the LORD and have made the LORD their hope and confidence. They are like trees planted along a riverbank, with roots that reach deep into the water. Such trees are not bothered by the heat or worried by long months of drought. Their leaves stay green, and they never stop producing fruit.”

*Jeremiah 17: 7 – 8
(New Living Translation)*

Look out for the trees in and around the Five Alive East Devon Mission Community and let’s make this the year we plant more trees, and also trust in the Lord, and make the Lord our hope and confidence.

God bless you.

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PSALM OF THE MONTH

PSALM 91 - chosen by DAVID WILSDON

I FIRST came upon this lovely poem of a psalm when I belonged to a youth fellowship that always finished its meetings with the old service of Compline.

The verbal images come from an era far removed from our own, with fowlers, shields and bucklers, arrows and young lions, but the message is clear — if you put your trust in God, the rest follows.

PSALM 91

1. Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High and abides under the shadow of the Almighty.

2. Shall say to the Lord, "My refuge and my stronghold, my God, in whom I put my trust."

3. For he shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence.

4. He shall cover you with his wings and you shall be safe under his feathers; his

faithfulness shall be your shield and buckler.

5. You shall not be afraid of any terror by night, nor of the arrow that flies by day;

6. Of the pestilence that stalks in darkness, nor of the sickness that destroys at noonday.

7. Though a thousand fall at your side and ten thousand at your right hand, yet it shall not come near you.

8. Your eyes have only to behold to see the reward of the wicked.

9. Because you have made the Lord your refuge and the Most High your stronghold,

10. There shall no evil happen to you, neither shall any plague come near your tent.

11. For he shall give his angels charge over you, to keep you in all your ways.

12. They shall bear you in their hands, lest you dash your foot against a stone.

13. You shall tread upon the lion and adder; the young lion and the serpent you shall trample under foot.

14. Because they have set their love upon me, therefore will I deliver them; I will lift them up, because they know my name.

15. They will call upon me and I will answer them; I am with them in trouble, I will deliver them and bring them to honour.

16. With long life will I satisfy them and show them my salvation.

Bible readings February 2022

Date	OT Readings	NT Readings
Wed 2 Purification of the Virgin Mary [Go/Wh]	Mal: 3:1-5 Ps:48: 1-7 (BCP Readings)	Gal: 4:1-7 Luke 2:22-40 (BCP Readings)
Sun 6 4 before Lent [Gr]	Isa: 6:1-8 Ps: 138	1 Cor 15:1-11 Luke 5:1-11
Tues 8 [Gr]	1 Kgs: 8:22-23,27-30 Ps: 84:1-10	Mark 7:1-13
Sun 13 3 rd before Lent [Gr]	Jer: 17:5-10 Ps: 1	1 Cor: 15:12-20 Luke 6:17-26
Wed 16 [Gr/Pu]	Ps: 15	Jas: 1:19-End Mark 8:22-26
Sun 20 2 nd before Lent [Gr]	Gen: 2:4b-9,15-25 Ps: 65	Rev: 4 Luke 8:22-25
Tues 22 [Gr/Pu]	Ps: 55:7-9	Jas: 1-10 Mark 9:30-37
Sun 27 Sunday Next Before Lent [Gr]	Exod: 34:29-End Ps: 99	2 Cor: 3:12-4:2 Luke 9:28-36

From the registers

Funerals

Burial of ashes for Mr Robert Preece at St Giles's Church on January 8th (Potters)

Funeral and burial of Mrs Sylvia Joan Hayward at Yarcombe on 13th January (Berrys)

Funeral and burial of Mrs Ivy Phillips at Yarcombe on 18th January (Berrys)

Funeral and cremation of Mrs Pamela Pym at Stockland on 19th January (Layzells)

*Note from Rev Julie Lomas:
"We extend our deepest sympathies to family and friends and continue to remember these dear ones in our prayers."*

Earth is calling on us to save it from catastrophe

IN November last year, nations gathered in Glasgow for the United Nations Climate Change Conference 2021.

You may remember that local lady Judith Simpson set off from Kilmington to walk to Glasgow to raise money, and raise awareness of the need for us all to take steps to change our behaviours in order to save the planet from catastrophe.

As Christians, we are to be in the forefront of taking care of the planet, and as many of our parishioners tend and keep the land and livestock, we owe them a debt of gratitude.

The Church of England has set a target for us to be carbon net zero by 2030 — that's just eight years away, and we have got to get started, taking seriously our response to the crisis that is affecting millions around the world already. In fact, we have as one of our main mission statements that we will "safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth".

It came as a bit of a surprise to me that this statement has been in place since 1984 — 38 years ago the national church made this commitment, and it is left to each



UN CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE UK 2021

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parish and local church and community to work out what this means in practice for us now and in the decade ahead.

I have asked the PCC of St Giles's Church, Kilmington, to take the brave step of applying for eco church status (ecochurch.arochoa.org.uk). A small team of people will be using the award criteria to find out what we need to do to be eligible for the bronze award, and what else we can do to move towards silver and gold.

Our friends at The Beacon Baptist Church have shown that this can be

done, and we want to learn from their experiences as well.

Each month, there will be an article in *The Parishes' Paper* to share steps that are being taken, any good practice and ideas that we can all take part in, and to get us all thinking about and talking about how we can care for creation here in our small corner of the planet. Please join in the conversation and share your ideas.

Rev Julie Lomas



We are already looking ahead to Lent

BEFORE we know it, the season of Lent will be upon us. In fact, I have already spotted some Easter eggs appearing in the supermarkets!

Across the Five Alive East Devon Mission Community there will be a range of events and meetings to support, encourage and challenge us through the period from Ash Wednesday to Easter Day.

Here is advance notice of some...

Wednesday, 2nd March:

Ash Wednesday Services of Holy Communion with ashes

- 9.30am St Peter's Dalwood
- 7pm St Michael & All Angels,

Stockland

Weekly:

Starting on Thursday, March 3rd, 2-3pm

Thursdays at Two on Zoom

Surprised by Generosity is a new seven-week Lent course looking at God's generosity to us and our call to live generously in return, based on Luke's gospel.

Starting on Monday, March 7th, 7-8pm

Lectio Divina on Zoom
Praying with Scripture

Starting on Wednesday, March 9th, 9pm

Compline on Zoom
Night prayer for Lent

Contact 5alivemc@gmail.com for the Zoom link and book these times in your diary.

Rev Julie Lomas



Conserving 'green roads'

By Sean Comber

DEVON has the most extensive road network in the country. We have 8,000 miles of roads with tarmacadam and 3,108 miles of 'green lane' public rights of way.

Potholes — a known issue in Dalwood, grass growing down the middle of lanes and general degradation all add to the 'character' of our highways and byways.

The battle against climate change and the power of water means their upkeep is expensive. The current Highways budget for Devon is around £28million; but the council estimate it needs £167million to repair our road network. Many of our roads date back millennia — old cart tracks, typically 10 feet wide, criss-crossing the county often between high hedges.

The advent of tarmacadam at the start of the 20th Century led to the 'sealing' of roads for a more car-friendly surface. However, not all roads were 'sealed', they took on the name of "unclassified county roads" (UCRs), considered to be vehicular highways and are recorded on the council's List of Streets (highways maintainable at the public expense). UCRs are often unmarked or signed with the blue "Unsuitable for motor vehicles", the older "Unfit for motors", or more recently, "Unmetalled road".

In total, there are over 1,000 UCRs covering 365 miles across Devon. They are what the motorcycle Trail Riders Fellowship (TRF) calls 'green roads'. In addition to UCRs, out of the total of the 3,000 miles of public rights of way in Devon, there are 54 miles of Byways Open to All Traffic (Boats), also often just called "byways", which are legal for walkers, cyclists, horse riders and have full vehicular traffic access. So, in all, there are about just over 400 miles of lanes without tarmacadam in Devon open for anyone with an appropriate form of transport to enjoy.

Within Devon, the TRF represents around 400 trail riders who make use of the green road network of legal UCRs and Boats. The TRF



ADDITIONAL stone provides a sustainable surface whilst controlling stream flow

Photo by Ian Collins

celebrated its 50th birthday last year and represents the interests of all users of lanes we can legally ride.

I've been a member for over 10 years and was chair for five of them. We are a conservation-based organisation, which as well as riding the old green roads, works with stakeholders to conserve historic rights of way. Climate change is the greatest threat to our right of way heritage; whether from water erosion, storm damage from trees being blown over or simply lanes overgrown by briar and bramble.

In Devon, the TRF has been

active supporting public rights of way and parish councils ensuring a collaborative approach to keeping ancient unsealed rights of way open for all users. Therefore you should not be surprised to see motorcyclists out there riding along Boats and UCRs.

The average age of the TRF membership is over 50, a group in society with one of the worst lifestyles when it comes to health. Riding green lanes is a healthy pursuit, easily exceeding the government target of 150 minutes of moderate exercise a week, with

only 3.5 hours riding, bouncing along the often technically-challenging lanes, putting it on a par with hill walking and downhill skiing.

In these Covid-hit times, it has highlighted the importance of being outdoors for people's mental and physical health. To respect other users, the TRF has a code of conduct, including setting a limit of six riders per group, riding road legal motorcycles, at less than an absolute maximum of 20mph, often considerably less. Our relationship with fellow trail users is an affable one. We always stop and kill engines for horse riders, slow down for walkers and share the space out there in the lanes. I can assure you that the Devon TRF riders out there will offer you only respect when passing you in a lane.

The biggest source of erosion in Devon lanes is water, with more frequent high intensity rainfall is causing significant damage to steeper, softer rock lanes, and that is why we work with Devon Public Rights of Way to assist in repairing damaged lanes on a voluntary basis, often supplying stone and machinery as well as pairs of hands.

Between Shore Bottom, Membury and Dalwood, there are around a dozen green lanes, all but one being UCRs. There is the fantastic old flinty and muddy road up over Danes Hill, rising over 150m above the river Yarty. Then there is Ham Lane or 'Zigzags' which is a county road that runs besides a tributary of Corry Brook from Ham to Lower Corry.

With alternative roads with tarmac available, I assume the road became disused over time. The hazel and holly have grown out of the hedges and the stream has nibbled away at its banks. I've only ever ridden it once and crossing the stream over a dozen times on rickety old sleepers was a real challenge for all users.

Devon TRF, led mostly by Ian Collins, ably assisted by his father, have worked tirelessly with the local council and land owners to repair numerous lanes throughout Devon, including 'Dumpy Bag' lane, near Tipton St John; Ashwell Bridge, near Halbertonford; and Blind Lane, near Shute.

After consultation with Devon County Rights of Way team along with the local parishes of Stockland and Dalwood, Devon TRF has been



ZIGZAG lane before repair
Photo by Ian Collins

introducing rock to stabilise the surface and gain some ground from the ever-eroding stream.

Over Sunday mornings once a month, sleepers have, and will be, relocated and fixed in a more suitable location to allow all users to make their way down the lane.

The repaired lane will potentially lead to more use, hopefully from horse riders, cyclists as well trail

riders and walkers.

So next time a motorbike passes you at a respectful distance and speed, behind that helmet will not be a young hoodlum, but more likely a 50-something grinning like a Cheshire cat.

So, give them a cheery wave as they pass on their way and enjoy all that the lane and our countryside has to offer.

Work undertaken in Zigzag lane

- Where the stream crosses from one side of the lane to the other a small bridge will be added. This will be added by a contractor employed by Public Rights of Way
- The course of the incoming water will be directed to the main channel with banks being reinforced with large stones that have been backfilled using material on site.
- A tree stump that is obstructing the route will be removed in this location and small trees/branches obstructing the path will be removed sympathetically in the lane.
- This section will be reinforced with used mini digger tracks, held in place by road pins, and backfilled with large stone and material accumulated on site. This simple engineering should be durable and hold the course of the stream in place for the future.
- The timber zigzags will be replaced with new sleepers that will be slightly raised to cope with the flow of water in times of flood. Sleepers will be placed on coping stones and secured into place with the aid of timber half rounds.



DALWOOD NEWS

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Christmas Eve Posada joy despite heavens opening

By Caroline Nunns

IN spite of there being torrential rain on Christmas Eve, the Posada service still went ahead in Dalwood's village hall car park!

Many excited children arrived clutching knitted sheep that they were going to add to the nativity scene.

As the weather forecast was not favourable, the service leader, Sue Drew, had arranged for gazebos to be set up in the car park up and for the crib to be brought to the hall porch.

Just before the heavens opened, the children and parents began to arrive — a total of 55 people attended.

The keyboard was in place and

microphones set up. Gay Atkinson led a spirited version of the Twelve Days of Christmas accompanied by Tina Mackenney and Sue opened the service. She explained that Posada was a Mexican tradition and involved a real-life Mary, Joseph and donkey who travelled to the stable where Jesus was born.

Adapted for Dalwood, Mary, Joseph and the donkey, are nowadays represented by knitted figures and as they move from house to house, knitted sheep are left behind. Some families have shepherds to stay while others host the three wise men.

Gemma Hatton, Sarah Langrish and Philip Seward gave the readings and children brought Mary, Joseph and Jesus to the crib scene followed by shepherds and three

wise men, while everyone sang Christmas carols.

When all were in place, Caroline Nunns read a tale by Gervase Phinn recounting how, some years ago, a little boy insisted to a vicar visiting his school that the special baby born at Christmas was called Wayne because he had sung about "a Wayne in a manger, no crib for a bed" that morning at school assembly!

She left us with the thought that the special baby was God's son put on earth and that this was the best Christmas present of all.

Sue would like to thank all those who looked after Mary, Joseph and baby Jesus in their journey around the village, and all those who took part in completing this special nativity scene.



THE knitted nativity scene with added sheep, above, and those who gathered take shelter from the downpours



DALWOOD NEWS



Kids and adults take part in 'kingly' service

ON Sunday, February 11th a service entitled Three Kings was lead at St Peter's Church by Mary and Nick Harrison.

Its objective was to help children

— and adults — understand why the three kings (or wise men) travelled to Bethlehem.

Some of the children — and adults — came dressed in "kingly"

robes and helped assemble the crowns and "kingly" headgear!

Some lovely, and appropriate, hymns were sung, accompanied by Tina Mackenney on the piano.



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LUCY and Jason Gould were married at St Peter's Church, Dalwood, in 2018
Photo courtesy of Rob Coombe



Five Alive team looks forward to Church of England weddings

CONGRATULATIONS to all the couples who are planning their 2022 weddings in the churches in the Five Alive East Devon Mission Community.

The first wedding of the year will be in Stockland church in March, and, as at today, the final wedding of the year will be in September in Dalwood church — and there are more during the summer months.

We are delighted to be playing our part in helping these couples take their first steps into married life as they will be committing to living in love, for life, before God and the congregations who gather to support them.

We are also delighted to be celebrating a silver wedding anniversary with a couple in June who will be returning to church to renew their vows before enjoying a party in the village hall.

So, whether you are getting married, or would like your marriage to be blessed, or you would like to renew your vows please do let us know and we will be delighted to meet with you, support you and pray for you in these special moments in your lives together.



The Wedding Preparation Day is due to be held on Saturday, February 5th at St Peter's Church, Dalwood, and we look forward to

meeting as many of our brides and grooms to be as possible at that event.

Discover all you need to know about Church of England weddings and blessings at www.yourchurchwedding.org.

Marrying in church is personal, meaningful, spiritual and beautiful, just as you want it to be.

Rev Julie Lomas

**Flower Rota for
St Peter's Church, Dalwood
February 2022**

5th February - Fiona Fraser
12th and 19th February - Laurie Lucas
26th February - Jane Mottram



KILMINGTON NEWS

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CHRISTINGLE SERVICE 'ENJOYED BY MANY'



CHILDREN take part in the Christingle service, above and left. Below, the memory tree



AN informal Christingle service took place at St Giles's Church, Kilmington, which was enjoyed by many.



Thank you for all who helped with this service and to Millers Farm Shop for generously donating the oranges.

Anna Crabbe

Thanks for the decorations

ST Giles's church would like to thank Millers Farm Shop for donating the two beautiful Christmas trees for the church.

Thanks also to Jill Collier and to Gill Perkins who decorated the big tree so beautifully, a work of art and so appreciated.

The memory tree was decorated by Lesley Rew, which, by Christmas Eve, was covered with stars in memory of absent loved ones.

Thanks go to them both and also to Jenny Nickolls, Angie Clarke and all the flower arrangers who made St Giles's look so glorious for Christmas.

Diana Mellows

Cards were appreciated

THANK you to all of the people in Kilmington village who sent me a Christmas card.

I am sorry that I was unable to reply to everyone. I hope that you all had a happy Christmas and I wish you a happy new year.

Linda Heighway

Lent lunches

LENT Lunches are being planned and the first will be on Thursday, March 3rd.

Last year, the soup and roll meals were delivered by hand, as the village hall was closed to all activities.

The KPCC will discuss what will be possible this year at the next meeting.

Diana Mellows

KILMINGTON NEWS



THREE Christmas angels — Lucy Lane, Mary Tyler and Diana Church. Left, Hannah and Bryony Hocking, dressed for Christmas

First nativity story

By Diana Mellows

EACH and every year, the story of the Nativity, the story of the birth of the Christ Child in Bethlehem, is told afresh in towns, villages and homes all around the globe.

It never fails to draw communities together in a way that nothing else can do. The Christmas story can be told over and over again, in so many different ways, the simplicity of the narrative is easily portrayed and understood and for the young children of the St Giles's Mums and Babies Crib Service, who were hearing it for the first time, it must have been an amazing experience.

The looks of surprise on their faces, as Rev Julie read to them from her special Christmas Story Book, was wonderful. Using knitted figures she illustrated what was happening as the story unfolded. As is to be expected of children of that tender age, concentration cannot be relied on, and some were more interested than others but nobody minded if they wandered off to play with something else. They greatly

enjoyed playing the musical instruments and clapping to the songs including Away in a Manger. Rev Julie brought this very special service to a close with a beautiful moment of prayer, after which she was presented with a special gift from all the Group, a framed picture of St Giles' Church done in pastel, watercolour and ink by an unknown artist, for which she was delighted. There is a mystery attached to the picture, which was found in the loft of No2 Eastleigh Close, by the Broom Family when they moved into the house last year. Anyone who knows anything about this picture, please contact Rev Julie Lomas.



ABOVE, Rev Julie Lomas with her special gift. Left, Rev Julie reads the Christmas Story to Carly Franke, Diana Mellows, Alex Browning, Diana Church and Elphreda Franke

KILMINGTON NEWS

Call for helpers at litter picking event

A LITTER picking event is being planned for Kilmington on Saturday, February 19th at 10am.

This is currently in the early stages of planning, however, we pray that this event will go ahead. By the time *The Parishes' Paper* is distributed in early February the event should be all organised.

We would like the litter pick to both start and end at St Giles's Church, Kilmington, with refreshments being available when all volunteers return to base.

Rev Julie Lomas and others within the village and the local area, are passionate about caring for our planet and for our local spaces.

We would like this to be one event amongst many others that occur throughout this year, and for years to come.

Please join us to help clean up our glorious, picturesque village and to exchange ideas and thoughts on what we may do and achieve in the future.

Christopher Thorne

Celebrating God together

EVERYONE is welcome to the Celebrate Together services, especially those who have special needs.

The Celebrate Together services will be held on the second Saturday of every month at 3pm — February 12th, April 9th, June 11th, August 13th, October 8th and December 10th. We look forward to seeing you at the next service on February 12th.

Diana Mellows

Celebrate Together!

at St Giles' Church, Kilmington EX13 7RF



Theme - Caring for each other
Saturday, February 12th at 3pm

Inviting you to a special service for all, especially for people with learning disabilities, their support workers, families and friends.

With TEA after!

Please note that there is ample parking and level access.

For more information ring
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STOCKLAND NEWS

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Joy of lambs

THE rains of December last seemed incessant ensuring everywhere was wet underfoot: welly boots were definitely the order of the day for everyone.

However, after a wet start, January suddenly blossomed into early morning mists and then absolutely glorious sunshine.

Suddenly, it seemed as if winter had slipped into spring with the arrival of newly born lambs already – really uplifting to see them out in the fields. Stockland certainly has its share with the lands at Post Lane providing their playing field.

Wordsworth wrote in *The Prelude*, “Bliss it is to be alive” – early lambs promote such joy and a spring in one’s step!



THE magnificent seven

Photo by Rebecca Gage

100 winners

STOCKLAND Victory Hall 100 Club lucky winners of the December Christmas Bumper draw have been picked.

The winners are: number 18 David Edge - £50; number 53 Alan and Eileen Pearse - £20; number 83 Tom and Jane Bright - £10; number 34 Mary Walsh - £5; number 4 Ruth Bell - £5.

Monica Parris

Fabulous festive fare not forgotten

By Gill Metcalfe

WELL into January, on writing, and we can only reflect on the disappointment of not being able to meet up for the proposed New Year Coffee Morning scheduled for January 5th.

However, the December Ladies Lunch was a huge success, as reported in *The Parishes' Paper* January issue, pictures below.

So now it's 2022 and as stated the first event had to be cancelled, but

undaunted, Wednesday, February 2nd is booked for the next club get together with the next lunch scheduled for Wednesday, March 2nd (12.30pm for 1.30pm).

Around 18 have already signed up for the February event and reservations for March will soon be invited. Reminders will be posted on the Stockland Tree ensuring that you will book a place ahead. Please book or register an interest with Julia on juliahoward51@gmail.com.

The Ladies Lunch Committee



LEFT, the King's Lounge: all prepared for the December Ladies Lunch Christmas Special. Above, ladies ready for some festive fare

No gnome alone



TWO years have passed since the dilemma of our 'gnome box'/'defibrillator gnome' resident gnome was first reported.

His plight — one so common today — was not one of 'gnomelessness' but of 'gnomliness'. It is such a pleasure to announce that he is no longer 'gnome alone' and that he has

been joined by a family friend and fellow gnome. His new-found friend is clearly a gardener with wheelbarrow empty but ready to go forth to take on the early seasonal planting.

Whilst the comments raised here are tongue-in-cheek, they are clearly contemporary issues — even the gardening needs — and it is salutary not to dismiss them. A note appreciated by the Stockland parishioners over the festive period.

The village was in full swing on Christmas Day and New Year's Day with The King's Arms packed, prompting genuine gratitude that young and the less young could celebrate the festivities together.

It seemed the entire village had descended on the pub to offer one and all their seasonal wishes. It was so cheering to be out and about with others.

Gill Metcalfe



ABOVE, a mixed age group thoroughly enjoying Christmas Day at The King's Arms. **Below**, the busy Christmas Day bar



Walk is village tradition

AN ominous start, initially the few arriving spot on time — then suddenly there were 44 at the annual Stockland New Year's Day walk.

On a damp morning when the temperature was unusually high at 14C, locals gathered for the annual walk at Stockland Victory Hall car park.

The walk took the group up the Chard Road to Road End Cottage, left towards Yarcombe as far as the Boundary Tree.

Then up Wytch Lane to join the footpath number three, up behind Wytch Farm House, and through the gate into Yarcombe parish to marvel

at the stunning scenery.

Past Rower Fort and down the road to Cory Brook and onto footpath number five. At North Hill Farm, the sun rose briefly for the route back to the village hall or, for many, the King's Arms.

The first official publicised Stockland New Year's Day walk took place on January 1st 1988 and every person who has walked on New Year's Day since then has been recorded.

The record to date is 81 walkers who took part in the 2015 New Year's Day walk.

Bryan and Rowena Drew

PAUSE FOR PRAYER

A Prayer for Candlemas

Jesus Christ, Light of the World, let the light of your love shine upon those facing sorrow and despair.

In the shadow of war and disaster may it shine into the darkest quarters.

Through our prayers, through what we do and what we say,

help us to carry your light into our community and draw people closer to the warmth of your love. Amen

Submitted by Philippa Wilks

Please send all your Stockland news and photos to village correspondent Gill Metcalfe at gildog12@gmail.com

STOCKLAND NEWS

Dog's life at Christmastime



DID any other dog get a box set for Christmas? Tattie the Irish Terrier soon decided it wasn't that much fun after all

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Balanced pragmatic rural farming view is book club's top read

THE second Saturday of the month at 11am, the scheduled monthly Stockland Book Club meeting, and what a turn out – 10 members meeting up in the King's Restaurant at The King's Arms.

Despite the January chill, the turnout also reflected the sunshine percolating through the windows — this also indicating that coffee and cakes were to be served.

But down to the books. This month was for readers to offer feed-back on their recent reads: those they enjoyed or perhaps not and such that were worthwhile a thought.

The books discussed were: Human Kind — A Hopeful History (Rutger Bregman); English Pastoral (James Rebanks); The Survivors (Jane Harper); The Drowned City (K J Maitland); Entangled Life (Merlin Sheldrake); Midnight Library (Matt Haig); This Much is True (Miriam Margolyes); Over My Dead Body (Jeffrey Archer); The Old Man and the Sea (Ernest Hemingway); The Caretaker (Harold Pinter); The Edge of the Fall (Kate Williams) and Gathering Moss (Robin Wall Kimmerer). Not to be put off by the number cited and discussed — some only very briefly — few at length.

Of these, English Pastoral — An Inheritance was probably most enthusiastically received.

Viewed as a must-read, offering a heart-warming account of rural life through three generations of farming practice and country life covering many of the current dilemmas and debates about ecology, the environment and the responsibility to future generations.

A balanced and pragmatic view of sustainable farming is presented and well argued.

Wall Kimmerer's text focuses on seeing and understanding plants as gifts that have to become visible to people — the world is a gift and this

needs to be recognised to see what plants give us was also highly praised — offering a further reminder of the need to understand and protect nature and the environment.

Most challenging perhaps was Rutger Bregman's Human Kind the central thesis that humans are essentially friendly, peaceful and helpful — basically decent, challenges the classical theorists view that mankind underneath a kindly veneer is inherently selfish, cruel, violent and evil.

Perhaps Golding's Lord of the Flies is a staunch reminder of such — however, there is a plethora of texts and theorists who would challenge such messages.

There will probably always be a battle between our altruistic and selfish instincts — it is the very stuff of human drama.

However, it makes a refreshing change to enjoy a tribute to our better nature.

Actually, quite a thought-provoking text despite its so many digressions — some optimism in our current times.

The Drowned City offers murder, conspiracy, intrigue death — a follow up to having considered the bestial nature of mankind (Bregman) — but seen as an absorbing read with the Hemingway and Pinter texts between them offering sharply contrasting views of human nature.

All the above were significantly reviewed and offered those who had not read the suggestions a chance to look further into them.

Perhaps more than anything the group offers its members a differing take on the enjoyment of reading and the encouragement to dig deeper into the world of books.

The next book club meeting is scheduled for February 12th.

Gill Metcalfe



SHUTE & WHITFORD NEWS

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By Rev Julie Lomas

THANKS to the amazing clean-up and clear-up efforts, the service at Whitford Chapel on Christmas Eve was able to go ahead.

A candlelit path showed the way to the front door, from which could be heard the sound of Christmas Carols, accompanied on the organ by Kathy Laing.

The chapel was full to capacity as Rev Julie and Reader Gill Heighway recalled the story of the birth of Jesus through the carols, readings from the Bible and the knitted figures that all came together to form our very own 'knitivity scene'.

Further services are planned for 2022 around festivals and on special occasions.

CHRISTMAS EVE IN THE CHAPEL



Photos by Tiff Hyde and Rev Julie Lomas

Can you hear the bells?



Photo by Rev Julie Lomas

THE bells of St Michael's Church, Shute, rang out for the first time in 2022 on Sunday, January 9th for the 11am service of Holy Communion.

Rev Julie Lomas presided, and expressed her thanks to the tower captain and to the team of ringers for their welcome.

There will be two services each month at Shute parish church — on the second Sunday of the month at 11am, for Holy Communion; and on the fourth Sunday of the month at 6.30pm for Choral Evensong from the Book of Common Prayer, with a small but growing choir leading the responses in plainsong.

If anyone would like to find out more about either service, or would like to play the organ, join the choir, or learn how to ring the bells, please get in touch with Rev Lomas on 01297 35044 or email her at revjulielomas@gmail.com.

Rev Julie Lomas

Chapel brought back to life after help plea

By Rev Julie Lomas

IT was a cold but dry December morning when 20 or so residents of Whitford gathered at the chapel on Hampton Lane and set about getting the building and grounds ready for use again.

The last service held in the chapel

had been in February 2020, and so nearly two years of cobwebs and dust and dirt needed to be cleaned on the inside.

And an equally impressive amount of grounds clearance and removal of debris had to be done outside.

The cry for help had been sent out by Maggie Patterson,

who is pictured, bottom right, in her marigolds. Rev Julie Lomas was also on hand supplying teas and coffees and trying not to get in the way of the working party. Huge thanks goes to everyone who came that morning, and helped prepare the chapel for the Christmas Eve Carol Service.

Photos by Fanny Balcombe



Thanks go to village's team

A VERY belated 'thank you' to everyone who rallied to the SOS call to clean up Whitford Chapel on December 16th.

What a team. Huge thanks goes to you all. The atmosphere was great.

Also a very warm thank you to Rev Julie Lomas for taking the service on Christmas Eve. It was a beautiful service.

Thank you to everyone who attended... so good to see you all.

Thank you Whitford — we call, you come.

Maggie Patterson



YARCOMBE NEWS

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Epiphany service's dramatisation with 'scary King Herod'

By Rebecca Bell

THE Epiphany Service, shared with Yarcombe Baptist Chapel, began with two kings (Edward and Grace Rich) bringing gifts to the altar at St John the Baptist, as the congregation sang We Three Kings.

Mary Smith led the service which included The Prayer for Today read by Holly Rich and the Isaiah Bible Reading read by Benjamin, Edward and Grace Rich.

The story of the wise men from the Gospel of St Matthew was dramatised by Chris Manning, John Robinson, Geoffrey Berry (very aptly the Wise Men,) Clifford Sochon (a very scary King Herod!) Brian Smith (Herod's trusty advisor) and narrated beautifully by Maggie Lane.

We sang the traditional Epiphany hymns and What Child is This? sung to the well-known tune of Greensleeves.

Lin Box led the prayers, including a lovely prayer for the new year.

Rebecca gave a talk about gifts, starting by asking everyone what gifts they received this Christmas and whether anyone could remember a gift they had received from last Christmas?

Edward and Grace then opened some gifts, trying to guess the contents beforehand.

We thought about how when we give gifts we try to think of the person we are giving it to and that it will be something that they would like or need.

This was then related to the gifts that Jesus received from the wise men and their relevance to him as our King and Saviour.

Following on from this, we thought of our own gifts and how we have so many to be grateful for and to use wisely. Then the powerful gifts of the Holy Spirit, gifts we hope and pray that we are able follow and to use well.

Finally, the gift we have now and forever... God with us. Having tried to guess what was inside the wrapped up gifts earlier, there is no guessing when it comes to God's gift of love for us, it is all crystal clear!

But what of our gifts to God?

The answer was in the next hymn, In the Bleak Midwinter.

What can I give Him? Poor as I am.

If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb.

If I were a wise man, I would do my part.

Yet what I can I give Him, give Him my heart, give Him my heart.

Sadly, refreshments were unable to be served at this time but the congregation were given star biscuits and frankincense and myrrh-scented tea light candles to take home.

POEM

I love Christmas

I love Christmas
And the message that it brings
When people care for people
Instead of just for things

It conjures up a picture
Of peace and joy and love
When earth, for a fleeting moment
Is part of heaven above

I recall again my childhood
The stories my Mother read,
The Shepherds, the Star, the Stable,
The manager for a bed

For there it was that the King of Kings
Was born to save mankind,
For the inn was full and a crib of hay
Was all that they could find

Fair and pure and holy
In humility he came,
To set a pattern for our lives
And in our hearts to reign.

He was the Greatest Christmas Gift
The world has ever known
But this we'll only truly know
When we make His ways our own

So never let our lives become
Too full to take Christ in
For the only life that's truly full
Is the life that's lived with Him

But let us open wide our hearts
And thank God as we pray
For all the joy that is ours
Because of Christmas Day.

John Osborne

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YARCOMBE NEWS



STABLE TABLEAU SHINES

By Rebecca Bell

THE many people who attended the Yarcombe Carol Service at St John the Baptist Church on Wednesday 22nd December, were greeted on arrival by the wonderful scene of a myriad of candles and wonderful flower arrangements, that adorned every available space!

But the star of the show was the beautifully lit Stable Tableau,

displayed in front of the high altar.

At a time when things are far from 'normal' it was an incredibly reassuring sight to see and hear all that is familiar and comforting to us as we celebrated the birth of Jesus this year.

The service followed the usual pattern including the much loved Bible readings and carols, (unfortunately sung behind masks with many steamed up glasses!)

Thank you to the children, who happily dressed up for the lovely

nativity scene, comprising of Mary, (Jessica Rich) an angel (Grace Rich) two shepherds, (Edward Rich and George Doble) three wise men, (Daniel Rich, Joe and Barnaby Doble) and a stand in Joseph with a puppet mask (myself), which caused some amusement!

Thank you to Julie, our vicar, for leading the service and to everyone who came and made it such a very special time of worship.

After the service refreshments were served at The Yarcombe Inn.

Christmas stars bright at carol service

AT Yarcombe Baptist Chapel on the morning of December 12th was when the carol service was celebrated with the theme of Stars of Christmas.

Thanks to Rosemary Abel, each of the windows were decorated with candles, holly and stars.

My grateful thanks to our scripture readers, Brian Smith, Angie Robinson, Rosemary Abel and Clifford Sochon, who retold the story of the first Christmas from the Bible.

We delighted in the musical items brought to us by Maggie Lane's choir and her musicians, Lesley Sutton, Phyllis Manning and Wendy Randall. The choir was joined by two young ladies, Lauren and Zoe, Wendy and Nick Randall's granddaughters, who had learned the songs and drawn pictures to

accompany the songs.

The first music item was It Was on a Starry Night, followed by Every Star Shall Sing a Carol. Towards the end of the service One Star was enjoyed. What a talented group to encourage the Christmas worship. What a talented musical director Maggie Lane is. We are so grateful for such professionalism, hard work and time given to practice.

In the short talk, I referred to the stars of the night sky and that most of us would recall singing to our children the nursery rhyme, Twinkle Twinkle Little Star. To the sheer delight of everyone, Lauren and Zoe, accompanied by Granddad Nick, sang the first verse of this nursery rhyme.

The shepherds saw many of the same stars that the prophet and

psalm writer David saw, some thousand years before the birth of Jesus and those same stars shine on us today.

At a time of such anxiety and uncertainty the stars have a regular pattern and a consistency that is predictable.

As Dietrich Bonhoeffer wrote of his own suffering "The darker the night, the brighter the stars".

The offering was taken up on behalf of Crisis at Christmas. Rosemary Abel tells me that the result of this was an amazing £300 being sent to that worthy organisation.

Now that really is a bright star in this Christmas. Huge thanks to the astonishing generosity of those gathered.

Thelma Clarke



YARCOMBE NEWS

THE past couple of months have been very busy for the Yarcombe Young Farmers with members attending many events in the lead-up to Christmas.

November started off with continuing to practice weekly for the pantomime which was due to be performed at Exmouth Pavilions, on January 28th. We hope to do our re-run of the pantomime in February.

On November 13th, 54 members attended Somerset ball at Sedgemoor market, a great night was had by all. The following weekend members attended the re-scheduled Crealy ball where, again, a great night was enjoyed.

At the end of November, we were able to hold a successful wine and wisdom event at Yarcombe Village Hall, which was well attended. We raised £275 money for our charity of the year, the Royal Devon and Exeter Foundation Trust, close to many members hearts — the amazing work the NHS is doing.

During December, many members enjoyed attending festive activities including a club social night ice skating in Exeter, a club skittles night at the Sidmouth Arms and

YFC - celebrating Christmas in style

helping the Hines plucking turkeys. We even managed to participate in club sports competing in mixed hockey against other clubs in East Devon, where we came second. Members also competed in netball, coming away with third.

Other festive activities to report included Sarah Broom Floral Design kindly hosting a socially-distanced wreath-making workshop for a small group of our members. Thank you to Sarah for her time, our members thoroughly enjoyed the workshop and made some wonderful wreaths.

On December 17th, some members went carol singing to many pubs in the local area, raising £254 for our charity of the year.

Many members enjoyed dressing up in their ball gowns and black-tie attire to attend Marshwood ball on December 11th in the run-up to Christmas, celebrating the season

in style. Unfortunately, the very popular Devon Christmas ball which members had been looking forward to attending, was due to take place on December 18th, this has been postponed to a later date in 2022. The club also enjoyed a social day out to Taunton Races on December 30th where some were luckier than others!

If anyone has any further questions and would like to become involved with Yarcombe Young Farmers' Club, please contact chairman Jack Tomlinson on 07712 479384, or secretary Emily Dunster on 07368 654447. We hold club meetings every other week in either Yarcombe or Uppottery village halls, 8pm start.

***Natalie Sampson
Press Secretary
Yarcombe and District
Young Farmers' Club***

YARCOMBE WEATHER DECEMBER 2021

	2021	2020	2019
Average Max.temperature	10.6°C	7.9°C	8.4°C
Average Min.	6.0°C	4.1°C	4.8°C
Average Overall temperature	8.1°C	6.0°C	6.6°C
Rainfall	25.4 mm	218.9mm	212.7 mm
Wettest Day	25th 19.2mm	26th 28.3 mm	18th 35.7 mm
Sunniest Day	2nd 5.0 hrs approx	1st 7.0 hrs	3rd 7.5hrs
Warmest Day	13th 14.0°C	21st 12.8°C	10th 11.2°C
Coldest Night	7th 0.5°C	4th -1.1°C	2nd 0.9°C
Sunshine hours.	35 hours approx	79 hrs	72 hrs

I think that December has been the dullest that I have ever known, certainly since I have kept my records; as you can see from the above figures we had less than half the normal amount of sunshine. Even so December was dryer and warmer than average.

As soon as America opened their borders we managed to visit our son and family in California for Thanksgiving. The weather was overcast when we touched down in San Francisco but from the next day on until the last day of our visit the sun shone from dawn to dusk with temperatures in the low 20C.

This warm spell was unusual for the time of year and the World Meteorological Organisation believe that it helped cause the devastating tornados that struck the Midwest later that month.

My son and his family decamped to Lake Tahoe in Northern California for Christmas. It is over one mile above sea level. 12 foot of snow fell in a 4 days closing the roads for a couple of days. Locals say that it has been the heaviest for over 10 years and that it should, when it melts in the spring, ease the severe drought that California has had for the last few years.

Tony Newman

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VOLUNTEERS are being sought to visit police cells to provide public reassurance about the treatment of detainees in police custody.

Independent Custody Visitors (ICVs) are members of the local community who visit police custody to check detainees' rights, entitlements and conditions of detention. Police and Crime Commissioners have a statutory duty to provide custody visiting.

Devon and Cornwall's Commissioner, Alison Hernandez, wants to hear from anyone with an interest in the criminal justice system and human rights to join the scheme.

"ICVs are an essential and valuable resource, providing the police with the assurance that their custody centres are safe and legal," she said.

"We want to ensure that we have a diverse and enthusiastic set of volunteers across Devon and Cornwall to visit custody centres in Exeter, Torquay, Plymouth, Barnstaple, Newquay and Camborne.

"Prospective ICVs do not need to have any experience, as all training will be provided. This is a great

Plea for volunteers to visit police cells

opportunity for anyone interested in a career in the criminal justice system."

During the early part of the Covid-19 pandemic, like many services, ICV visits were temporarily suspended due to concern about the spread of the virus. Alternative means of checking the treatment of detainees were conducted but due to the essential nature of the visits and a mitigation of risk the decision to resume custody visits was taken. Between April 2020 and March 31 2021, a total of 77 detainees were physically and 21 virtually seen as well as a total of 72 detention logs checked.

ICV visits are unannounced and can take place at any time of the day or night. Volunteers check detainees' needs are being met whilst in custody. This could be ensuring they have access to free legal advice, food and water

medication and sanitary protection. As well as speaking to detainees, they assess conditions of detention and speak to custody officers. All expenses are covered.

ICVs arrange their visits based on a roster and so can be planned around their own busy personal and working lives. Visits are made as a pair, are unannounced and can take one to two hours. Visitors generally visit their two nearest stations.

For more information or a recruitment pack visit the Office and Police and Crime Commissioner website at devonandcornwall-pcc.gov.uk

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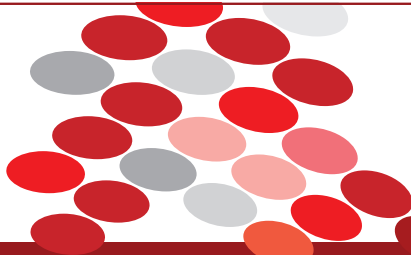
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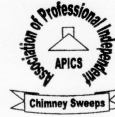
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9:30am-11:30am Each Wednesday morning	The Beacon, Kilmington	Toddlers & Tinies - Toddler group for 0-preschool aged children. Play, crafts, songs, plus coffee and tea for the parents available. Donation of £1. Term-time only
10am - 12noon Every Tuesday	The Beacon, Kilmington	Post Office - Pop-up Pop Office available for walk in services. Held each Tuesday morning.
10am-12noon Every Wednesday	St Giles's Church, Kilmington	Mother and Baby Group - A special time for mothers and young babies in a safe and warm environment. Taking place each Wednesday morning including half term & holidays
7pm-8.30pm Each Thursday	The Beacon, Kilmington	ALPHA - A place to come and explore faith in an open minded environment. A meal and refreshments are provided
10.30am Each Tuesday	Stockland & Yarcombe	Pause for Prayer followed by coffee at 6, Battens Stockland - Contact Philippa Wills on 01404 881366 and in Yarcombe - Contact Mary Smith on 01404 861541
7.30pm Every other Tuesday	Kilmington	Bible Study Group at 3 Meadowbank. Contact David Wilsdon – 01297 34142 h.wilsdon@btinternet.com
February 1st 10.30am-12noon	The Beacon, Kilmington	Messy Sparklers - A fun sensory morning session for preschool children followed by lunch. Dress for mess!
February 6th 3pm	Dalwood Village Hall	Derek Nash and The Martin Dale Quartet. Ticket only, please contact Tina on 07999 553477
February 9th 6.45pm & 10th 2.15pm	Kilmington Village Hall	Kilmington Community Cinema: The Courier (12A) - for booking and times see www.kilmingtonvillage.com *Booking essential as limited space available*
February 15th 12.30pm	The Beacon, Kilmington	Community Contact Lunch
February 25th 3pm	St Giles, Kilmington	Let's Celebrate Service - a service especially for those with additional needs and their carers though all are welcome
February 26th 1.30pm & 6pm	Kilmington Village Hall	Kilmington Community Cinema: No Time to Die (12A) - for booking and times see www.kilmingtonvillage.com *Booking essential as limited space available*
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