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shines in the
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St Mary At The Cross, Whitford;
St Michael & All Angels Church,
Stockland; and St John the
Baptist Church, Yarcombe

JUNE/JULY 2024

Date	Dalwood	Kilmington	Shute + Whitford	Stockland	Yarcombe
JUNE					
Sun 2 nd (Gr)	10.30am Mission Community Holy Communion hosted by St John the Baptist Church, YARCOMBE EX14 9BN				
Wed 5 th	9.30am Said Communion hosted by St Peter’s Church, DALWOOD EX13 7EG				
Sat 8 th		3.00pm Celebrate Together			2pm Wedding
Sun 9 th	11am All age worship	11am Morning Worship	11am Shute BCP Holy Communion	Joint service with Yarcombe	11am All age worship
Tues 11 th	9.30am Said Communion hosted by St Giles Church, KILMINGTON EX13 7RF				
Sun 16 th	Join with St Giles Kilmington at 9.30am	9.30am Holy Communion	11am Worship in Whitford	11am Family service	6.30pm Evening prayer
Wed 19 th	9.30am Said Communion hosted by St Peter’s Church, DALWOOD EX13 7EG				
Sun 23 rd	11am Morning Worship	9.30am Morning Prayer	6.30pm Choral Evensong	9.30am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion
Tues 25 th	9.30am Said Communion hosted by St Giles Church, KILMINGTON EX13 7RF				
Sun 30 th	10.30am Mission Community Holy Communion hosted by St Michael’s Church, SHUTE EX13 7QW				
JULY					
Wed 3 rd	9.30am BCP Said Communion hosted by St Peter’s Church, DALWOOD EX13 7EG				
Wed 3 rd	6pm St Peter’s Day BBQ & activities				
Sat 6 th	1pm Wedding				
Sun 7 th	10.30am Mission Community Holy Communion hosted by St Giles Church, KILMINGTON EX13 7RF				

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D-DAY 80 – LIGHT OF PEACE

REV JULIE LOMAS

THIS month we will mark the 80th anniversary of the audacious and courageous invasion of Normandy that began on June 6th 1944 with the military offensive known as Operation Overlord.

In our communities there will be opportunities to reflect on the events that signalled the beginning of the end of the second world war, although that was to take a further 11 months in Europe (VE Day May 8th 1945) and over a year for the war to end in the pacific region (VJ Day September 2nd 1945). For many of us the stories of war and heroism, sacrifice and victory come from the films we have watched, the books we have read, and for some of us, the eye witness accounts of those who were there and who are still alive to tell their tale.

On Thursday June 6th church bells will be rung across the nation at 6.30pm and Beacons will be lit at 9.15pm. I am grateful to all who will enable these things to happen in and across our community here in East Devon on that day. The aim and focus of the day are to remind us all of our deep desire for Peace. If you are in the vicinity of Kilminster do join in with our village events as St Giles's Church, Parish Council and RBL branch join together to mark this event (see picture).

In the Bible we often read the word

KILMINGTON KPC & RBL
INVITES YOU TO COMMEMORATE
The 80th Anniversary of D-Day
80
D-DAY 6 JUNE 2024
THE LARGEST NAVAL, AIR AND LAND OPERATION IN HISTORY
Kilminster Village Hall
Thursday 6th June 6pm – 9.15pm
Church Bells
Bangers & Mash, Ice cream, Bar and Film
Act of Remembrance 9pm
Lighting of the Church Beacon 9.15pm
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"peace" and some of us will know that the translation of the word peace is from a Hebrew word, "shalom." It is a word that can be used as a greeting ("hello") and as a farewell ("goodbye"). In John chapter 20 verse 21 we read "Then Jesus said again, "Peace be with you. It was the Father who sent me, and I am now sending you in the same way."

Just as Jesus came to demonstrate the way of peace between people,

and with God, now it is our turn to live as if we believe these words. We are to be the bearers of the good news of God's peace – not just the ending of hostilities between warring factions, although that must be a priority especially in today's world – but the peace that passes all understanding, that brings wholeness and that is a blessing.

Peace is a gift, something to be received and shared, and it all begins with the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, continues through the life and witness of his followers and can be seen even today being worked out in the lives of ordinary people in each of our villages, and as we meet together we do so to encourage one another, to support and build each other up in our faith, and to share the good news of what we have received with other people.

In St Paul's letter to the earliest church in the city of Philippi he wrote these words:

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the ("shalom") peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ch 4 v 6-7

May we all share in the "shalom," the peace of God.

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COVER: An amazing shot of the Northern Lights taken by Dave Wood at his home in Ham on May 10th

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MY FAVOURITE HYMN

In this feature each month, a different person will share with us their favourite hymn and reasons why.
This month, **Geoffrey Berry, churchwarden, Yarcombe**, chooses **When We Walk with the Lord...**

MY feeling is that God is always with me, not just when I am out for a walk. I look around the countryside at this time of the year and I can see that God has planned everything. He never lets us down.

As the chorus says "trust and obey" Therefore we must play our part and do His goodwill. As my late father always believed in what he called the "guiding hand", he would tell me that when I was upset over some personal loss, he would say that God did not intend that to happen.

We used to often sing this hymn when with other teenagers we would gather at a house for what was known as a "squash" on a Saturday evening. Hymns and choruses were sung, a Bible reading and an address.

Afterwards there was tea and cakes. Nobody ever went home early. There was always a "squash" somewhere on a Saturday evening. As the Chorus says "Trust and Obey, for there is no other way". Looking back I do not think any of us ever went very wrong.

When we walk with the Lord

In the light of His word
What a glory He sheds on our way
Let us do His good will
He abides with us still
And with all who will trust and obey
Trust and obey, for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus but to trust and obey
Not a burden we bear
Not a sorrow we share

But our toil He doth richly repay
Not a grief or a loss
Not a frown nor a cross
But is blest if we trust and obey
Trust and obey, for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus but to trust and obey
Then in fellowship sweet
We will sit at His feet
Or we'll walk by His side in the way
What He says we will do
Where He sends we will go
Never fear, only trust and obey
Trust and obey, for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus but to trust and obey.

Source: Musixmatch. Songwriters:
Roland St John Hanneman

Bible readings June

Date	First reading	Gospel reading
Sunday 2 nd June Trinity 1	1 Samuel 3: 1-10	Mark 2: 23-3.6
Sunday 9 th June Trinity 2	1 Samuel 8: 4-11	Mark 3: 20-end
Sunday 16 th June Trinity 3	1 Samuel 15: 34-16.13	Mark 4: 26-34
Sunday 23 rd June Trinity 4	1 Samuel 17 (1a, 4-11, 19-23) 32-49	Mark 4: 35-end
Sunday 30 th June Trinity 5	2 Samuel 1: 1, 17-end	Mark 5: 21-end
Sunday 7 th July Trinity 6	2 Samuel 5: 1-5, 9-10	Mark 6: 1-13

From the registers...

Baptism

The baptism of **Elijah Bujniewicz** took place on Sunday, May 5th at St Giles's Church, Kilmington.

The baptism of **Savannah Faye Dunham** took place on Saturday, May 11th at St Giles's Church, Kilmington.

Wedding

The wedding of **Georgia Louise Alice Highway** and **William Richard Highway** took place on Friday, May 10th at St Giles's Church, Kilmington.

Funerals

The funeral of **Fay Gardner** took place on Thursday, April 25th at St Michael's Church, Shute.

The funeral of **Geoffrey Whittaker** took place on Wednesday, May 8th at East Devon Crematorium.

The funeral of **Kevin Paul Dare** took place on Tuesday, May 21st at St Peter's Church, Dalwood.

We extend our deepest sympathies to their families and friends.





The road to Emmaus

THE Open the Book team visited three schools in the Five Alive Mission Community in April to tell the story of two followers of Jesus travelling to Emmaus.

We know that one of the followers was called Cleopas. Whilst walking along, they met with someone who they did not recognise, a stranger to them. The stranger walked with them and they talked about the hot topic of the day, the crucifixion of Jesus by the Romans.

As they arrived at Emmaus, it was getting late so Cleopas and the other follower asked the stranger to stay with them for a meal. They sat down and broke the bread and then suddenly realised that the stranger was in fact

Jesus who had risen from the dead.

At once, they got up and returned to Jerusalem to tell the 11 disciples of Jesus that they had seen Jesus, the Risen Lord.

At the end of the story the children were asked to be silent and think of a time that they were really excited about something and had to go and tell their friends.

Finally, the children were asked if they wanted to make a prayer, their prayer which was, "Dear God, thank you that the friends in our story were able to see for themselves that Jesus is alive. Thank you that they shared this exciting news with their friends. Help us to share any good news we hear today." Amen

Martin Nunns

Third generation

ON Sunday, May 5th, the families of Elijah Bujniewicz gathered at St Giles's Church, Kilmington, for his baptism.

Looking through the baptism registers, it became apparent that this was a significant moment, and a special place for the family.

Elijah's big brother, William, had been baptised there in 2019. His parents, Sally and Dominic, had married there, and it was discovered that Sally had also been baptised in this church as had her father, Elijah's grandfather, Peter Humphry.

The family were joined by friends and relatives to mark the occasion followed by afternoon tea in the village hall. Margaret Hurford played the organ as we all sang All things Bright and Beautiful, and Give me oil in my lamp, both songs that mean a lot to Sally and Dominic.



DOMINIC, Elijah and Sally Bujniewicz

THE imagery of the sea and boats has long been an inspiration to hymn writers, particularly during the late 1800s-early 1900s.

Those of you who remember the various Sankey and Moody collections of hymns will recall favourites such as Throw Out the Lifeline and Let the Lower Lights Keep Burning, metaphorically using actions at sea to save lives and comparing these to bringing people into the Christian faith, with a view to "saving" them from what could be seen as their self-destructive and anti-social life styles.

These pictures may seem somewhat dated now, and the methods of saving lives at sea have greatly improved since the RNLI was founded two hundred years ago, enabling a far greater percentage of people in need to be rescued than

THROW OUT THE LIFELINE

was previously possible. All this, however, costs money, and, like all charities, rely on the lifeline of donations to help them continue their work.

It had come to that part of the service, known as The Collection, where the minister asked the congregation to dig deeply into their pockets. Soft music was played on the organ, and the steward quietly and with ruthless efficiency moved from person to person with the collecting plate before solemnly taking it to the minister to be blessed. The minister took the plate, looked at the contents, and then handed it back to the steward to be taken round again.

The more observant of you will have noticed that our last coffee

morning was in aid of The RNLI, so you may be wondering why our June one is also for them, effectively passing the plate around again. For the last twelve months or so we have been holding two coffee mornings for each charity we support so that our donations to the beneficiaries can be boosted. Whilst people were very generous last month we would like to be able to increase the total sum collected for the R.N.L.I., so we hope that you will be able to come and support us on Wednesday 12th June, from 10-30 until 12noon.

Our services during June will all be at 11-00am as usual, and there is an open invitation to everyone to come and join us here at the Chapel.

Roderick Ovey
Dalwood Methodist Church

Very Rev Bob Key and Daphne make a visit

By Rev Julie Lomas

ON Sunday, May 5th, we welcomed The Very Reverend Bob Key and his wife, Daphne, to the Mission Community service at Stockland church.

Rev Bob spoke about the prayer initiative Thy Kingdom Come with which he has had a long association. He encouraged the congregation to follow the Novena booklet and prayer journal, which were handed out, by way of inspiration to pray daily for the 10 days between May 9th and 19th.

In the church calendar, this goes from the Day of Ascension, when Christians believe the risen Jesus returned to heaven, up until the Day of Pentecost, which is the day Christians remember the gift of the Holy Spirit falling on the disciples and filling them with all they needed to leave their place of safety and to go out into the world talking about Jesus. In the Bible, Acts chapter 1 v 14, all the followers of Jesus had returned to the room where they were staying and for ten days "all these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer".

As a Mission Community, we were also asked to "Pray through May" and



THE Very Reverend Bob Key and his wife, Daphne

many people have prayed for our families outreach work using the guide prepared by Rev Julie Lomas and by Juletta Obudo. Tuesday mornings became a focus for prayer in our churches as either individually or in small groups people gathered. On May 15th, a chain of prayer was set up and ran through the day, linked by those involved saying The Lord's Prayer together over the telephone.

As a community of Christians, we know we are called to pray and this call to pray for one another and for people to follow Jesus continues through the rest of this year.

Wave of Prayer in mission chain

ON Wednesday, May 15th as part of Thy Kingdom Come, a prayer chain sent a Wave of Prayer across the Five Alive East Devon Mission Community.

The first prayer was said at 6.30am and the last one finished at 7.30pm.

People used various resources during their 30 minutes of prayer time.

Thy Kingdom Come materials were available via app, by email and booklets in churches and there was the Pray through May material as well as other resources.

Here are some of the comments from those who took part:

"It was a great opportunity to pray for family, friends and the wider church community."

"It was great to be part of a wave of prayer. I used the Chris Duffett paintings to help with the prayers. I thought his pictures were inspirational and beautiful."

"...another quiet, peaceful time praying and being close to God."

"I felt that I offloaded a heavy weight from my shoulder after the prayer. The feeling is remarkable."

"I felt very comforted and spiritually nourished. I will continue to pray for five people to come to know the love of God."

"...after usual pleasantries we said the Lord's Prayer together, 300 miles apart."

"A peaceful half hour which brought me closer to God."

And 36 people at Yacombe church's community lunch that day all said the Lord's Prayer together!

Finally, hear what St Paul said about prayer in his letter to the church at Philippi:

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:6-7).

Caroline Nunns

Faith outdoors: watch this space for ideas

THIS month's activities (see page 20) gives you some things to think about while you are out and about in our wonderful countryside. It also encourages you to stop and consider what God has given the creatures he made and what you would ask for Him for.

The workshop I attended on exploring faith outdoors as given me lots of ideas. Watch this space as we begin to investigate 'forest church'. I also attended a course on Prayer Spaces in Schools, which has given me more ideas for prayer stations to engage all ages in prayer. If we want to see changes in our churches, we need to pray.

I had a wonderful time at Dalwood's rogation service. A big 'thank you' to all who made it happen and were so welcoming. I look forward to seeing photos of how your sunflowers have grown at Dalwood show and the actual flowers at

harvest.

Five young people and I were able to attend The Gathering Youth (a space for young people to connect with others, worship together and grow in their faith in Jesus) in Exeter this month, which drew about 160-plus teens from across Devon. The next one is on October 12th. If you are 12 to 18 and are interested in coming along, get in touch.

By the time you read this, you will have had opportunity to follow the Pentecost trails around each parish churchyard. Please get in touch if you would like more support in exploring faith with your children/young people, are interested in a parenting for faith/raising faith course or would like to be kept up-to-date regarding the progress of planning 'forest church' and other events.

Juletta Obudo

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FOREST CHURCH

20TH JULY 2024

4PM-5PM



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DALWOOD NEWS

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**Flower rota for
St Peter's Church, Dalwood
June 2024**

8th and 15th June –
Caroline Nunns

22nd and 29th June –
Mel Tompkins



IT was an action-packed April Saturday afternoon at the Dalwood village jumble sale.

Within two hours an amazing sum of just over £700 was raised in aid of St Peter's Church.

Behind the organising of the event was Sue Drew. Her collection team, went from door to door in the village

and together with those who volunteered to help on the day to set out the stalls, it was a very big effort and a thank you to all those who took part in making the event such a success.

Reverend Julie Lomas kindly provided the photograph, which shows the event in full swing.

Stephen Boyes-Lee



DALWOOD METHODIST CHURCH

invite you to a

COFFEE MORNING

AT THE CHAPEL

WEDNESDAY 12TH JUNE

10-30 AM - 12 NOON

WITH A "BRING AND BUY" STALL

IN AID OF THE

R N L I

**DO COME AND ENJOY A CUPPA
AND A CHAT AND SUPPORT
THIS WORTHWHILE CAUSE!**



DALWOOD NEWS

Sowing God's small sunflower seeds

By Gay Atkinson

THE White family once again welcomed worshippers for the rogation service on a sunny afternoon at their farm, Stonehayes in Dalwood, together with a sow, piglets, lambs, and a calf, who were all greatly enjoyed by the younger participants.

Juletta Obudo, Rural Families Outreach Worker of the Five Alive Mission Community, was on hand and each member of the congregation was encouraged to plant a sunflower seed, which was provided on the day. They were also given an oak or chestnut sapling to plant out.

God enjoys encouraging through things in His creation, and sunflowers are certainly no exception.

Growing from a small seed, they show how mighty a little faith can



become. Their constant pursuit of the sun is a good reminder to continually seek the Son, Jesus, during our days.

The service was led by Brian and Gay and Sue organised refreshments

afterwards.

Grateful thanks were offered to all those who helped on the day and to Derek and Mags White for their hospitality.



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KILMINGTON NEWS

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Bishop Jackie attends fantastic confirmation



By Christopher Thorne

A FANTASTIC confirmation and holy communion service was held at St Giles's Church, Kilmington, on Thursday, May 9th at 7.30pm.

Six were being confirmed – George Gilmour-White and James William Bateman, both of St Michael and All Angels, Stockland; Oliver Stephen Bond, Christine Thorne and Elana May-Blackmore, of St Giles's, Kilmington; and James John Skelton, of St Mary at the Cross, Whitford, in the parish of Shute.

All were all confirmed by the Right Reverend Jackie Searle, who is the Bishop of Crediton and the Acting Bishop of Exeter. The Bishop led the service.

In total, 73 were in attendance, which is fantastic, with a good cross section

from across the Mission Community.

Oliver Bond did very well with his speech as to why he wanted to be confirmed. He was the one of the six whom Rev Julie Lomas had asked to speak that night.

During the service, we were able to sing four wonderful hymns – In Christ Alone My Hope is Found, The Spirit Lives to Set us Free, I the Lord of Sea and Sky and Oh Lord my God, When I in Awesome Wonder.

All whom I spoke to said that it was a lovely service and I understand that the bishop was also pleased with how well it went too.

The catering team, as usual, had tea, coffee, biscuits and cake available at the end of the service. What a wonderful evening for all. It would be great to see the bishop again in the not-too-distant future.



Baptism delight

IT was a delight to welcome Savannah-Faye Dunham and her family and friends into St Giles's Church on the afternoon of Saturday, May 11th.

The congregation was present to witness the holy baptism of Savannah. It was a wonderful service which was led by Rev Tracey Voysey, of St Paul's Honiton.

Rev Tracey had baptised Savannah's sister, Sienna-Anne, just a few years ago during interregnum. Savannah was due to have been baptised in November last year but at the time she was unfortunately too poorly for the baptism to take place.

All who were present were delighted to welcome Savannah into God's family and we all promised to support her as she begins her journey of faith.

Christopher Thorne



Teamwork theme

FOLLOWING a wonderful Celebrate Together Service at St Paul's, Honiton, on Saturday, May 11th, the next Celebrate Together service, at Kilmington, is on Saturday, June 8th at 3pm. The theme will be 'teamwork'.

Everyone is welcome, no matter what age or ability.

For further information then please contact Christine Thorne on 07814 041059. There is level access and plenty of parking.

Elana May-Blackmore

KILMINGTON NEWS



Event success

THE annual Kilmington Gardening Club plant market and coffee morning was once again a popular event in the village calendar.

People started gathering outside the village hall from 9.30am on Saturday, May 4th and, by the time the doors opened at 10am, the queue went across the car park.

There was a large selection of bedding and vegetable plants, also perennials and grasses.

After some serious shopping it was time to catch up with friends and neighbours over a cuppa and a large slice of homemade cake.

The money raised will help keep the membership fees low and offer reduced coach travel costs for the garden visits.

Thanks go to everyone who donated plants and cake.

With the first event of the year a success, thoughts are turned to the flower show on Saturday, July 20th. The show schedule will be available on the club's website at www.kilmintongardeningclub.co.uk.

There will also be the Kilmington Village Show which will be held on Saturday, September 7th.

The next Gardening Club talk is by David Usher who will talk about 'Bedding plants in your garden'. With so many plants in the garden centres to choose from, David will advise on the best buys and how to maximise their effect.

All are welcome on Friday, June 14th at 7.30pm at the village hall. The fee for non-members attending is £3.

Lesley Rew

A service, but outside

By Christopher Thorne

A LOVELY outdoor service was held on the afternoon of Sunday, May 12th.

The wonderful Gill Heighway led us as we set out from St Giles's Church. Just outside the church, we started with a hymn and with a prayer.

We then walked to the lower churchyard where we had a reading from Deuteronomy, and we all said a prayer together. The prayer was partly for the cattle, sheep and horses, but unfortunately, the hoped-for sheep were not in the field that we were expecting them to be in.

We then proceeded up through the village, first with a stop at the stream. At this point psalm 104: 10-13 was read and we once again prayed. Further up the village, where some were commenting on how the hill was much more difficult to climb when compared to when they used to climb it in years gone by, we stopped at the junction of George Lane and The Street. At this point a 14th member joined our merry band. This time we had a reading from

Luke 4: 16-21 and then we prayed again. We went onwards to the top of the allotments where this time Luke 13: 6-9 was read and a prayer was said for all of the fruit trees, for the plants, the bushes, the vegetables and the flowers – for God's wondrous bounty.

We then faced the New Inn and we prayed for those who find rest and refreshment in this place.

We then headed back down The Street until we eventually arrived at Kilmington Village Hall where Luke 19: 41-42 was read and we prayed The Lord's Prayer.

Christine Mills was able to lead us with regards to our second and last hymn and then we all enjoyed a very welcome drink and biscuit back in St Giles's. At this time, seed potatoes were handed out for everyone to plant and to then bring the crops back in the autumn for the harvest service and meal.

All in all, it was a delightful service and the weather could not have been better.

Thanks goes to Gill for leading us, this slightly different services is always a delight.



KILMINGTON NEWS



FROGS SPRING CLEAN

By John Thorne

THE Frogs team was somewhat worried about the clean-up scheduled for Saturday, 27th April as members were aware that some regular volunteers were on vacation and others could not make it.

As it happened, the worries were ill founded as 15 volunteers turned up and some people who couldn't make the day had mowed their sections earlier in the week.

This enabled the team to have three mowers working all morning as well as two strimmers. Several ladies also removed ivy and other plant life from the churchyard walls.

After the hard work, all attendees

were treated to bacon rolls, tea, coffee and various cakes for their efforts which were much appreciated.

The old and the new churchyards, together with the Millenium Garden, are now in pristine condition which it is hoped will enable the regular volunteers to keep it up to scratch throughout the summer.

Further clean-ups will be scheduled later in the year, particularly for the autumn when falling leaves always make extra work.

Sincere thanks go to everyone involved in keeping the churchyard well maintained and welcoming for all mourners and visitors.

Thanks also goes to the church team responsible for St Giles's being awarded a Silver Eco Award.





STOCKLAND NEWS

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Community schooling

WHAT a great way to integrate the local school experience by encouraging children, friends and families to join in with the events of the community: a wonderful way to rid of old-fashioned concepts that education takes place mainly in the classroom.

It certainly does not for those attending the Stockland pre-school and primary school. Recognising that not all the children are from Stockland and Yarcombe, the encouragement to mix, to have fun and to work hard together and for each other is certainly fostered.

With the Encanto family and friends sing-along at the Honiton Beehive, the child-centred 'wild outdoor' learning experiences offered by Goren Farm; the open farm days at North Waterhayne Farm (Yarcombe) and the grand finale of the end-of-month duck race, the classroom seems to blend into the community – most enviable of days.

However, there is clear evidence of hard work back in the classroom at Stockland Primary Academy. In the past month, all four classes have been involved in a variety of mathematics, spelling and written activities though Featherlakes' drawing light houses and making seagulls was enviable whilst the mini-beasts project and disgusting sandwiches were also part of the mix.

Horner class continued with the fire of London investigation and their historical diary writing – encouraging sound sentence construction whilst counting and recognising British coinage might well contribute to sounder knowledge of their pocket money. Quantock continued with their history of Stockland projects with the importance of note-taking and sentence expansion in focus. Bucehayes pupils have been rising to the serious challenge of SATs preparation with a combination of independent and collaborative work ensuring that all their efforts will be rewarded.

Up for debate – school days – the happiest days of one's life: well, done Stockland school for your mammoth efforts in securing this maxim!

Gill Metcalfe

LOOKING AHEAD TO A VIBRANT SUMMER

By Gill Metcalfe

IT'S all go in Stockland with so much currently or about to take place and to look forward to.

The King's Arms open, with regular Sunday musical entertainment, the ladies' lunch and coffee 'first Wednesday', top-class entertainment at the village hall, the tennis court heaving with youngsters at the weekends and, of course, the Stockland Fair to be followed later with a repeat of the afternoon tea party as held in September 2023 in the church grounds forthcoming.

The fair – well what can be said – it was outstanding and a complete sell-out grossing close to £2,000. It was a day of sunshine, sunshine and indeed sunshine as per the tea party that followed in September.

What an afternoon event that proved to be: an unbelievable sunny day, tea and scones with lashings of jam and cream plus a scrumptious array of homemade cakes: table cloths and napkins no less – a proper job. The sunshine remained with the party until the last embers of the

disappearing sun were just visible.

So looking forward to these and all the other projects and activities to be held – hopefully with lots of summer sunshine. Such reflect on an energetic and thriving community – roll on the summer months.

Gill Metcalfe



LOOKING back at previous events and hoping to replicate the success this summer

STOCKLAND NEWS

Taste of indulgence at first ladies' lunch

FOR starters – a massive 'thank you' and congratulations to the host of The Sidmouth Arms and staff for making our monthly get together so pleasurable – the food – the service – the ambience all outstanding with absolutely no fuss and no problems – and to say that – well there were 22 for lunch! Outstanding lunch and venue.

With the pre-chosen menus as reminders on the table all were received as requested; as the dishes arrived, they were carefully scrutinised to determine what the seated neighbour had ordered and – oh, perhaps was a preferable choice; but no all was so beautifully presented and so tasty.

Then the desserts – the Eton mess with berry fruits, meringue, lashings of ice-cream and cream – drat the diets!

A reminder of more youthful times – just a different name (knicker-bocker

glory or ice-cream Sunday).

Amazing how quiet the room became once the plates arrived – just the noise of cutlery.

With summer on its way – holidays, gardening and grandchildren abounding we have only one more get together before September – the coffee morning with the church as the venue on Wednesday, June 5th at 11am with any donations going to the church. No need to book just arrive sunny-side up: all to look forward to before the break.

The Organising Committee



PAUSE FOR PRAYER

All I am and all I have
I offer, Lord, to you.
I offer you these hands,
that you might use them
in and through my daily work.
I offer you these feet,
that you might lead them
to someone who needs my help.
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if you should need them
to help lighten another's load.
I offer you this voice
that you might use it
to speak up for those in need.
All I am and all I have
I offer, Lord, to you.
Amen.

Contributed by Philippa Wilks



PHOTOS: Courtesy of Julia Howard/
Gill Metcalfe

Friendly helping hand for church

THOSE who attended the recent exhibition in the church will have seen the handbells and church keys beautifully displayed in their restored cabinet something which the Friends of St Michaels and All Angels were delighted to be able to finance.

The group is also able to report that it has purchased a new video screen for use at future such events in the church.

The Friends committee recently consulted Rev Julie Lomas and the PCC as to what future projects they had in mind for the church to which Friends might contribute.

Several ideas were put forward and the Friends group was delighted to be able to assist with the costs of: new bell ropes; a large screen projector for use by church and school; improvement to the children's area in line with Rev Julie's aim of making the church open to everyone; large electric candles for use at services such as at Christmas – a health and safety issue subject to new regulations; a new set of step ladders for the same reason; and leaflet holders for improved display purposes.

Thanks must go to members of Friends and to all those who have supported the fundraising events without which none of these things would be possible.

These are reminders of the constant work going on behind the scenes to preserve and enhance the church for future generations to enjoy.

The Friends of St Michaels and All Angels would be more than happy for anyone interested in joining them to contact the treasurer, Andrew Smith, for an application form on 01404 881533 or via email at Andrew.prdesign@gmail.com.

Jane Wedlock

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STOCKLAND NEWS

Of India, we read...

THE Far Pavilions (MM Kaye, 1978) – a doorstep of a novel – was the designated read of the month for the book club.

Despite the size, most of the group had managed to read it in the month and if not had done so sometime in the past. The novel offers an epic story of British Indian history – a magnificent romantic/historical/adventure novel set in 19th Century India, when the thin patina of English rule held down dangerously turbulent undercurrents and the ever-underlying threat of mutiny.

It is about an English male – Ashton Pelham-Martyn – an English officer during the British Raj being brought up as a Hindu and his passionate, but dangerous love for an Indian princess.

It's a story of divided loyalties, of tender camaraderie, of greedy imperialism and of the clash between east and west.

To the burning plains and snow-capped mountains of this great, humming continent, MM Kaye brings her quite exceptional gift of immediacy and meticulous historical accuracy, plus her insight into the human heart to the reader. A definite masterpiece of storytelling, and acknowledged as such by the group.

The writing is based partly on the biographical records of the author's grandfather, as well as the knowledge of her own childhood experiences in India.

Discussion of the novel rewardingly revealed that the story told resonated in the life of one of the group members being born in India and with a father who was very much a part of the era of the text. Historical documents had been brought along bringing the history of the era very much into focus and alive.

It is really exciting when a novel can be added to by the personal experiences, accurate historical data and photographs that accompany texts that frequently move beyond the realms of fiction. These recollections added so much to the enjoyment of the book: thank you for sharing these.

The June text is American Blood (James Ellroy) described in a New York Times book review section as "brilliantly unpleasant"!

Gill Metcalfe

Archaeological treasure from the five parishes

DR Lucy Shipley recently visited Stockland Primary Academy to share her local archaeological knowledge with the children.

They were fascinated to see part of their school curriculum brought to life in her talk – illustrated by some of her 'area' finds. Without a doubt, there are many more such below Stockland soil.

Lucy said: "As the Devon Finds Liaison Officer, I record all the archaeological finds made by members of the public onto a national database as part of the Portable Antiquities Scheme.

"As local to the Five Alive area, it seemed fun to explore some of the finds that have been made in and around the parishes. Here's a very clear Roman coin, found near Membury.

"It's a nummus, a type of bronze coin that was commonly used in the 4th Century AD. This one is an early example, minted by the Emperor Galerius (AD 293-311).

Like many Roman emperors, he was a fascinating character, who married the

daughter of the Emperor Diocletian and is suggested by some as the instigator of that emperor's persecution of Christians. This particular coin was minted in Trier, in what is now Germany – one of the most common mints for coins that we find in Britain.

"The reverse type portrays 'Genio Populi Romani' – the personified local spirit, or Genius of the people of Rome.

"He holds a cornucopia, or horn of plenty, and a patera, a special dish used for ritual offerings.

"Roman coins are a really important part of my work, as those found by members of the public in Devon have transformed how we think about Roman Britain – there used to be an idea that certain coins were never found west of the Blackdown Hills, and now we know that this is untrue.

"It is possible to search the date base on www.finds.org.uk and discover finds around your area. If you make any finds please email me – details are also on the website."

A BRONZE Roman coin – nummus)

PHOTO: Courtesy of Lucy Shipley



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SHUTE & WHITFORD NEWS

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A church without walls

By Rev Julie Lomas

ROGATION Sunday takes place every year early in May and this group of intrepid parishioners gathered at Whitford church at 10am on May 12th with the intention of walking the 2.5km along the roads and country lanes, public footpaths – with just the one stile – to reach St Michael's Church, Shute.

Along the way, we prayed for our communities, our homes and all who live, work and pass through our villages; we prayed for the good health of the land and for all whose livelihoods involve growing food and flowers, as well as for those of us who have a go ready for the

village show!

We sang well-known hymns and admired the beauty of all creation, only stopping to catch a breath and wait for the hard working farmers to go past with their tractors and trailers gathering in the grass for silage.

On nearing Shute, we heard the church bell being rung for us by Maureen Davey, and we were welcomed into the cool of the church to listen to a reading from John 1:1-14, to sing and to receive a blessing, as well as to be revived by a well earned drink and biscuit.

Thanks go to all who took part, and we hope to repeat this outdoor style of church, walking in the opposite direction in September for the harvest festival.

Impressive talk by DAAT Simon

MEMBERS of Umborne Social Group had a very enlightening evening when Simon Card, from Devon Air Ambulance Trust, gave a talk about the work and background of the charity.

Simon is one of the 600 or so volunteers with the charity whose mission, as most people are aware, is to "relieve sickness and injury in and around Devon through provision of emergency air ambulance services".

The service went into operation in 1992 and currently operates two helicopters along with two critical care cars which cost over £10million to run annually. The charity receives no government funding and relies on public and business donations together with income generated by its shops and own lottery.

Simon pointed out that whilst all the equipment employed is state-of-the-art, the public can also play their part by using the locator app What3Words if needed in an emergency.

Such a worthwhile and important operation left everyone very impressed and one that thoroughly deserves the public's support.

The club's meetings are usually held on the first Thursday of the month at 7.30pm in Umborne Village Hall – visitors are welcome at £4 to include refreshments and raffle ticket. Further information from ann-shepherd@outlook.com.

Sheila Townsend



Read all about the village bar on page 18

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SHUTE & WHITFORD NEWS

HEDGEHOGS are one of the UK's iconic mammal species and often come top in surveys of Britain's most popular wildlife.

However, this species is in decline – largely due to habitat loss, scarcity of food, and danger from human activity.

Whitford is a village that cares about these little creatures, and has been rewarded with a healthy population of hedgehogs. Some of us are addicted to monitoring trail camera footage, or are creeping round their gardens hog-spotting late in the evening.

Still others are noticing the characteristic black, and very smelly poo that sometimes decorates the lawn in the morning.

You may have seen the 'Beware hedgehogs crossing' road signs that have appeared in Whitford over the last few months. These were donated by the parish council at the request of Maureen Davey.

At this time of year, hedgehogs are coming out of hibernation. You may see them at dusk in your garden, and you can often hear them snuffling around for food or even growling and screaming as males fight for females. Hopefully, there will be baby hogs born in Whitford later in the year.

Our hedgehog advocate in Whitford is Louise Fuller. She has qualified in basic hedgehog care and management at The Vale Wildlife Hospital and Rehabilitation Centre and supports a local wildlife charity. She has learned that the best way to encourage hedgehogs to thrive in our gardens is to provide child areas for nests and plenty of hedgehog-friendly food.

The best food is kitten biscuits (the small pellets are good for their little hedgehog mouths) or wet cat or dog food. You can also buy special hedgehog food, but this can be expensive. Hedgehogs need a bowl of water at all times, especially if you are

CARING VILLAGE IS HEDGEHOG-FRIENDLY



providing dry food and also for extra hydration in the hot summers that we have been having recently.

Several Whitford residents feed hedgehogs in their gardens and provide nesting boxes full of dry straw. However, hedgehogs are independently minded and often prefer to nest in compost heaps (please be careful when turning these over with a garden fork), in long grass (please check long grass before you use a strimmer), under piles of leaves (check before raking these up) or under piles of logs and under sheds. An untidy, undisturbed area of garden is very hedgehog-friendly.

Did you know....

- Hedgehogs should be eating earthworms and beetles - providing habitat in your garden for these invertebrates is one of the best things you can do for them.
- Hedgehogs don't eat slugs, unless they can't find anything else to eat and they only eat the really small slugs. Sadly, slugs are full of parasites

that make the hogs sick.

- Mealworms are toxic to hedgehogs, but the hogs don't know that and eat them anyway - please keep mealworms on bird tables and try and prevent them spilling onto the ground. Check the content of foods supposedly for hedgehogs - several contain mealworms.
- There is no such thing as a truly hedgehog-friendly slug pellet. Please avoid using any type of slug pellet in your garden - even the newer organic ones that claim to be safe for hedgehogs.
- Hedgehogs can roam about 5 miles in a night, and have several nest sites in their range. A small (13 cm) hole in your wall or fence is the best thing you can do to help hogs to forage widely in their quest for worms and beetles.
- Hedgehogs can swim, but they can't climb out of a steep-sided pond. Please plan a hedgehog escape route for your pond.
- Automatic lawnmowers can't tell the difference between a sleeping hedgehog and a recalcitrant tough piece of grass. The consequences can be catastrophic, please don't leave these machines unattended.
- If you see a hedgehog out in the middle of the day it is sick. The best thing to do is pick it up (using gardening gloves!), put it in a warm cardboard box and take it straight to a vet. If the hog needs treatment the vet will pass it to a wildlife charity for longer-term care.

Louise Fuller and Maureen Davey

Volunteers raise the bar for village beer and banter

WHITFORD'S bar continues to go from strength to strength, acting as both a social hub for the village and as a successful fundraiser for Whitford Village Hall.

The twinkling lights of the Bar welcome customers every Thursday night for a couple of hours of convivial chat, with a range of good wines and draught ale, lager and cider, as well as zero alcohol Guinness

and beer, and soft drinks.

The cosy, friendly bar is run by a team of volunteers who not only serve you with a smile, beer, wine and banter but who also manage all aspects of buying goods, maintaining the cellar and running its finances.

More volunteers to swell the bar rota would be welcome: two of the existing crew even come from Dalwood!

Every first Sunday in the month, the bar also opens for pre-Sunday lunch drinks. Whitford Bar also augments village hall events such as Sunday lunches and quiz nights. Whitford Bar welcomes customers from all villages within the Five Alive Mission Community and beyond and the Crew look forward to seeing you on a Thursday night at 8pm!

Xenia Ruscombe-King



YARCOMBE NEWS

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Warm welcome for brekkie fundraiser

ON Sunday, May 5th, the weather was damp and dull, typical for a British bank holiday weekend but Yarcombe Jubilee Hall was warm and inviting.

The hall looked splendid with bunting hanging and filled with the tempting aroma of a cooked full English breakfast. Breakfast options included a choice of fruit juice, cereals, fruit cocktail and yoghurt.

The first orders were taken from those who had commitments calling in a neighbouring parish followed by a continual flow of hungry customers. The support exceeded expectations and the team thanks those who patiently waited for a seat during the busy time.

The number of breakfasts served – 181 – which explains why the kitchen was kept busy and the waiting staff ferried multiple cups of tea and coffee along side breakfasts and baskets of toast, all producing a mountain of washing up, which was efficiently handled.

Yarcombe Jubilee Hall Management Committee would like to say a massive 'thank you' to everyone who supported the big breakfast making it a great success, which includes the local producers, the generous donations of raffle prizes, the enthusiastic team of volunteers and everyone who supported the event by consuming a breakfast. Without everyone, this would not have



ABOVE, Rev Julie Lomas tucks into a delicious breakfast. Above right, a busy turnout for the village event

been such a success. The funds raised will help towards the ever-increasing cost of maintenance and improvements to Yarcombe Jubilee Hall.

The support is very much appreciated.

*Helen Parris
Hall secretary on behalf of Yarcombe
Jubilee Hall Management Committee
Charity Number - 301024*



Origin of 'God helping' phrase

THE April Friday Faith Forum started, as usual, with a delicious sandwich lunch at Mary and Brian Smith's home followed by a very interesting and thought-provoking discussion.

The discussion on the saying "God helps those who help themselves" was led by Allan Blake who stated that the saying is not, in fact, a scriptural quote but originated in Ancient Greece as "the gods help those who help themselves".

Scripture actually teaches the opposite – "God helps those who cannot help themselves".

It was concluded, therefore, that it is important to be as active as possible in helping yourself but the more helpless we realise we are, the more God steps in to help us.

The forum finished with more tea and cake and many thoughts going around in the heads of those present.

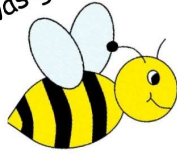
Pat Bright



SOME of St John the Baptist Church PCC members completed their training on awareness of domestic abuse as part of their commitment to promoting a safer church. The training was lead by Rev Julie Lomas and was held in the village hall on Saturday, April 20th and is part of a suite of training offered by the Church of England to help everyone become more aware of the hidden abuse that sometimes occurs

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Genesis 1:24
So God made the wild animals, the tame animals and all the small crawling animals to produce more of their own kind. God saw that this was good.



Can you find a ladybird? How many spots does it have? Did you know there are 26 types of ladybird in the UK?



How many bees can you see? Did you know most of our food depends on pollinating insects like bees? A bee's wings beat 190 times a second, that's 11,400 times a minute.

A single honeybee colony can produce around 100kg of honey each year - that's 220 jars!

The dung beetle is not only the world's strongest insect but also the strongest animal on the planet compared to body weight. They can pull 1,141 times their body weight.



They sometimes play dead to avoid predators. A ladybird might eat more than 5,000 insects in its lifetime!

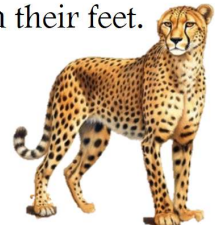


Giraffe are the tallest creatures on earth. They can reach the height of 5 metres. But, did you know that they have the same number of neck bones as you & me. Find out how tall you are.



How fast can you run? Cheetahs can run up to 70mph! Find out which country they call home.

How many different butterflies can you spot? Did you know that butterflies taste with their feet.



Giraffes have height; dung beetles have strength; ladybirds have spots, cheetahs speed, butterflies taste with their feet and bees make honey. In the Bible, God told King Solomon to ask for anything he wanted. Read the story, from 2 Chronicles 1:7-12, to see what happened.

'That night God appeared to Solomon and said to him, "Ask for whatever you want me to give you."

Solomon answered God, "You have shown great kindness to David my father and have made me king in his place..., Give me wisdom and knowledge, that I may lead this people, for who is able to govern this great people of yours?"

God said to Solomon, "Since this is your heart's desire and you have not asked for wealth, possessions or honour, nor for the death of your enemies, and since you have not asked for a long life but for wisdom and knowledge to govern my people over whom I have made you king, therefore wisdom and knowledge will be given you. And I will also give you wealth, possessions and honour, such as no king who was before you ever had and none after you will have."

If you could ask God for anything, what would it be and why?

FIVE ALIVE ECO AWARD CELEBRATION



THE mossy carpet which is being hand made

By Rev Julie Lomas

ALL of the Five Alive Mission Community parishes were represented at the 2024 Exeter Diocese ECO Awards celebration held on Sunday, April 28th at Exeter Cathedral.

As we were invited to come forward to receive our certificates from Rt Rev Jackie Searle, Acting Bishop of Exeter, we were invited to walk along the 'mossy carpet' which was being hand made during the service.

The carpet is being created by volunteers across the region in the hope it will grow to be 100 metres long, and can then be displayed in an iconic location for COP30, the 2025 UN Climate Change Conference.

Moss is the inspiration as, although it is small, it tells us that tiny actions can make a big difference – just think about how moss grows in the cracks, at the edges and in the shadows, and at the same time returns carbon to the earth.

Inspired to make a difference? You can look closely at mosses for inspiration, and make a pompom, knitted patch, crocheted sculpture or some embroidery to be added to the Mossy carpet. Take a look at www.ArtandEnergy.org.

In the meantime, please do help each



RT Rev Jackie Searle, top; Five Alive Mission Community receives awards at the celebration in Exeter Cathedral

IMAGES: Grace Stanhope

of our parish churches play our part in reducing carbon emissions, being more aware of our impact on the

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Can you train yourself to buy fewer?

By Kay Pike

TRAINERS. Comfortable, ageless and fashionable, whether you're a committed runner or a sofa-based Olympics fan!

We probably all own at least one pair and for some people they're an obsession but the facts around their production and its effect on the environment are pretty stark.

Approximately 25 billion pairs are made every year, most from a combination of plastics, metals and potentially toxic glues and dyes, often in conditions that exploit workers.

The plastic is, of course, made by burning oil, which is why the trainer industry alone produces 700 million tonnes of CO2 a year. The equivalent to running 150 million cars for the same amount of time... ouch. We play a part; Britain is the world's third largest

consumer of trainers after the US and China.

Did you know that most trainers consist of 20-60 different component parts and require assembly using up to 300 separate procedures? This complex construction makes them difficult to recycle and most currently end up in landfill where the plastic can last for an indefinite period while heavy metals from dyes contaminate the land.

What can you do? Think about your shopping habits, do you really need another pair? Or do they still have enough life in them to give them a wipe over and pass them on to a charity shop? Most will clean up with a light brushing or a damp cloth and insoles can often be replaced. Can you put the environment above fashion?

If you really are in the market for a new pair, have a look at some of those brands trying to change things. Look for the certified B Corp logo which

means that the company has had "to meet high standards of social and environmental performance, transparency and accountability".

Many new companies are making an effort to get away from the high carbon footprint of plastic-based trainers (though only 40 per cent have a sustainability policy). If you're tempted by 'vegan' trainers, check out the materials used and beware more plastic.


Whether it's couch or 5K you're planning, try to choose your footwear with the planet in mind and in the meantime, value the ones you already have!

● Top tip: Apparently, we shouldn't be tempted to machine wash trainers! They may come out looking clean but the materials take a beating and of course micro plastics might well be heading down the drain with the soapy water!

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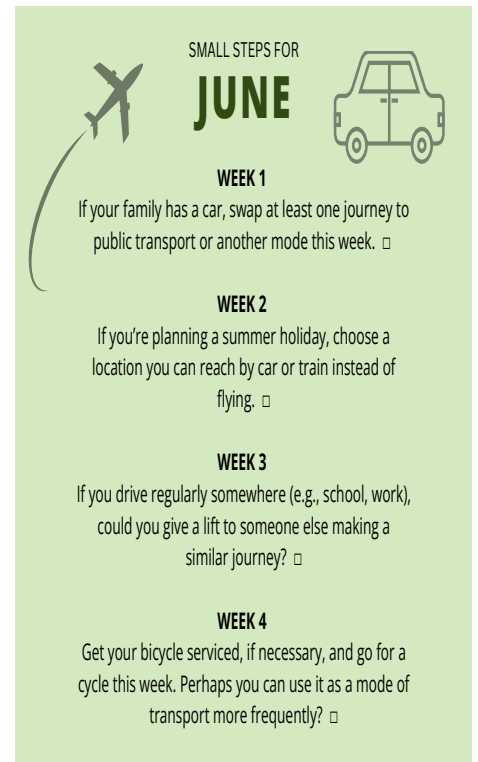
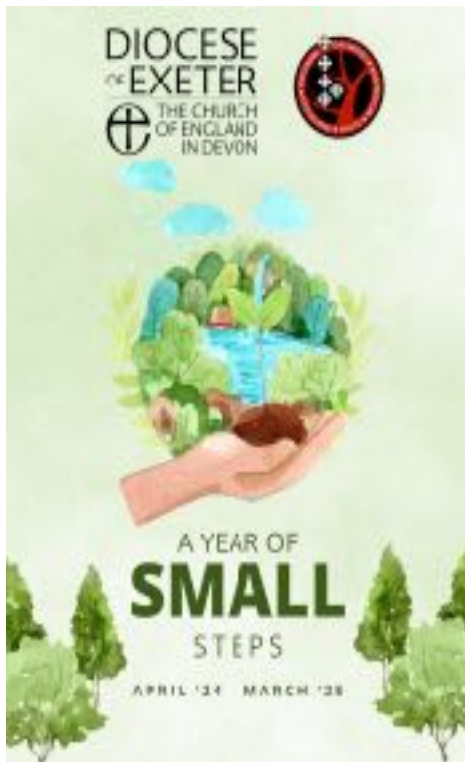
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A BEAUTIFUL shot of the Northern Lights taken by David Wood, from his home in Ham on May 10th

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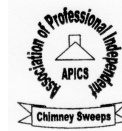


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Mondays 2pm-4pm Wednesdays, 10am-12pm	St Giles' Church, Kilmington	Baby group every week including school holidays. Contact Mary Tyler 01297 34958.
Fridays, 10am-12pm	St Giles' Church, Kilmington	Coffee Shop
Fridays, 9:30am-11:30am	Stockland Victory Hall	Stockland and Yarcombe Toddler Group - contact 07951 958327
Tuesday, June 4th, 2.30pm	Minster Room, Axminster	Mothers Union - A discussion meeting on 'the thing that is bugging me'. All welcome.
Thursday, June 6th, 6pm-9:15pm	Kilmington Village Hall	D-DY 80th Anniversary Commemoration. Tickets peterhsquire@outlook.com
Saturday, June 8th, 10am-12pm	Yarcombe Village Hall EX14 9AA	Second Saturday of each month. Homemade cakes, local honey, eggs, jams, plants, woodwork, cards, and bric-a-brac.
Wednesday, June 12 th 6.:45pm	Kilmington Village Hall	KCC: "Wicked Little Letters (15) Warning Strong Language. To Book email wattsjohn307@gmail.com
Wednesday, June 12 th 10.30am-12noon	Dalwood Methodist Church	Coffee Morning in aid of the R.N.L.I.
Wednesday, June 12 th , 2pm-4pm	Dalwood Methodist Church	Art Club. For details phone Roderick on 01297 42433
Thursday, June 13 th 1.45pm for 2.00 pm	Kilmington Village Hall	KCC: "Wicked Little Letters (15) (see Wednesday) Cream teas @ £3.50. Please order when booking seats. To Book email wattsjohn307@gmail.com
Saturday, June 15th, 7:30pm	The Minster Church, Axminster	Rejoice and Sing - Anthems and Choruses chosen by the choir. Tickets £10 from Archway Bookshop.
Sunday, June 16th, 8pm	Dalwood Village Hall	Dalwood Jazz - Trish Heenan & The Craig Milverton Trio t.mackenney111@btinternet.com
Wednesday, June 19th, 12:30pm	Dalwood Village Hall	Dalwood Community lunch. Bookings to be placed with Kathy Laing 01404881601
Wednesday, June 26th, 2pm-4pm	Dalwood Methodist Church	Art Club. For details phone Roderick on 01297442433
Saturday June 29th 11-30am - 10pm	Dalwood Village	Dalwood Music Day 150 Musicians and vocalists see the back page for more details
Sunday, July 14th, 3pm-5pm	Kilmington Village Hall	A gathering to discuss the future of the Five Alive Mission Community.

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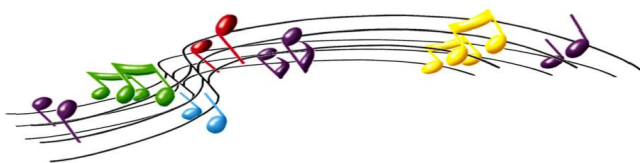
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