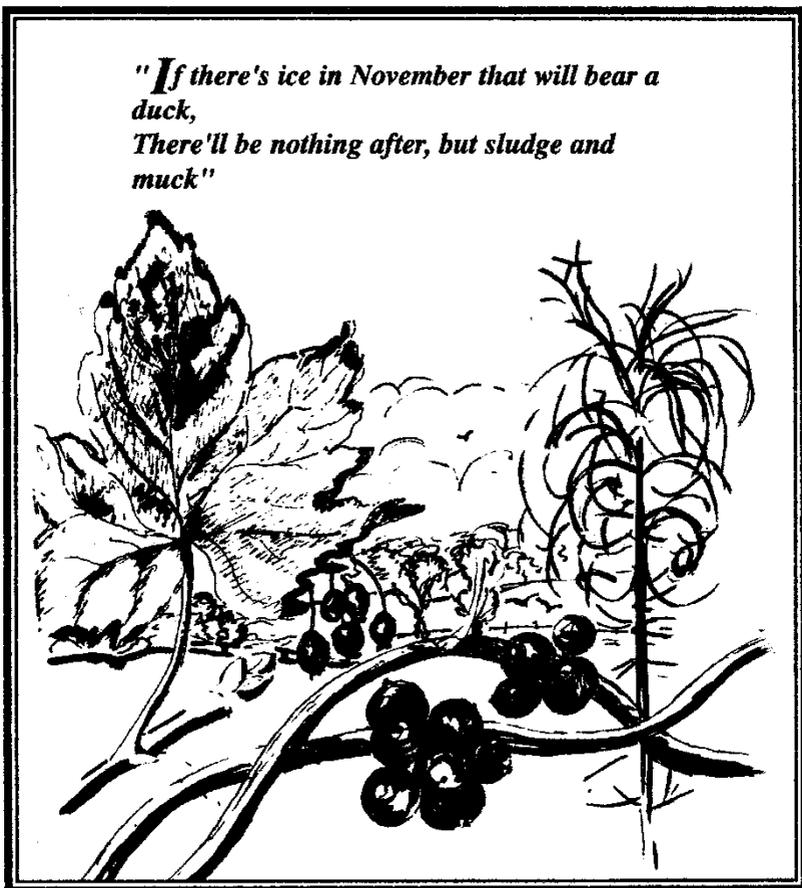


THE  
**ROUNDAABOUT**  
CHURCH AND COMMUNITY MAGAZINE

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



NOVEMBER 2014

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## **Introducing myself...**

For those of you who haven't met me yet I am Chris Butler, and I am privileged to be the new Priest in Charge of this Benefice and I am really looking forward to getting to know all of you and the local communities. I want to start by thanking so many of you for your warm welcome; it feels good to be here.

A short bit of background - I grew up near Guildford, Surrey, the youngest of four children. I went to school at St Catherine's School in Bramley and Godalming Sixth Form College. I then was lucky enough to go to New Zealand and spend 6 months with my brother and his family. As well as enjoying the beauty of the Islands I also worked on the local apple orchards to pay for the exploration. I joined the Ministry of Defence in 1987. I then joined Frazer-Nash consultancy in Bristol as an environmental consultant trying to work out how to minimise the environmental impact of MoD kit.

In 2008 I was selected for ordination training and then spent 2 great years in Durham at university where I had the opportunity to explore much of the North East. I especially enjoyed my visits to the Holy Island of Lindesfarne, where my love of Celtic Christianity has grown.

I have been a Curate in Cheddar, Draycott and Rodney Stoke for the last 4 years and have really enjoyed being part of three different communities as, although they were very close together, they each had their own character.

I am an enthusiastic supporter of Bath Rugby, although I tend to mostly watch from the comfort of my sofa these days. I also enjoy pub quizzes (although you may well hear about the infamous occasion in Draycott when our team got a Bible question wrong!).

Having been a cat owner for many years I am now trying dog ownership and I have a 1year old lurcher/staffie cross called Leah so you will probably see me being taken for a walk at some point. We are both looking forward to exploring the area, and finding some good dog walks of which I am sure there are many. Please do let me know of any of your favourites.

That's plenty about me. I hope to see many of you at our services and other village events, and I look forward to hearing your stories.

*Chris Butler*

## **A SERVICE FOR ALL SOULS' DAY**

A time to remember those we love

Pilton Parish Church

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 4.00pm**

A service for anyone in the parishes of Pilton, Croscombe, North Wootton and Dinder who would like to remember in prayer someone who has died.

## REMEMBERING JESUS NOW

We are in the season of ‘remembering’. On November 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> we celebrate the double feast of All Saints and All Souls with a particular focus on remembering our loved ones who have died. A few days later there is the opportunity, perhaps especially for children, to remember, remember the 5<sup>th</sup> of November and they will celebrate with bonfires and fireworks, probably not knowing why! Then, a week or so after that, the poppy takes centre stage as we remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice and given their lives in the service of their country, with a particular poignancy this year as we mark the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the beginning of World War 1.

But why do we remember? Is it not more important to put the past behind us and move on? Certainly there is a danger that our remembering becomes rather too focussed on the past, and that we become very nostalgic both about people and events and see them, as it were, through rose-coloured glasses.

But that isn’t the way that people of faith are invited to remember. Each and every week, for those of us who come to church to break bread together, we are invited, in the words of Jesus to ‘do this in remembrance of me’. This is not an invitation to go back in time and try and remember Jesus as he was. Rather it is an invitation to bring our memory of him into the present and in so doing to bring the love, the compassion and the forgiveness that were so much a part of his life into the way we live our lives. In other words, to make all that he meant to his disciples then, real for us **now**.

A couple of verses from Lucy Whitmell’s poem, ‘Christ in Flanders’, speak into that reality for me especially in this anniversary year.

*Now we remember; over here in Flanders –  
(it isn’t strange to think of You in Flanders)  
The hideous warfare seems to make things clear.  
We never thought about You much in England  
But now that we are far away from England  
We have no doubts, we know that You are here*

*Though we forgot You – You will not forget us  
We feel so sure that You will not forget us  
But stay with us until this dream is past  
And so we ask for courage, strength, and pardon  
Especially I think we ask for pardon –  
And that You’ll stand beside us to the last .*

+Peter Taunton

## YOS

October saw us making pizzas and decorating glass jars. We then put tea lights in the jars, lit the tea lights and sat in the candlelight. We thought about the time of year and that there would be less light around. However no matter how dark it is you can always find a small bit of light!

The meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> November will be outdoors to include a camp fire, hot chocolate and s'mores!! Please contact Sandra or Becky for details as we will not be meeting in Dinder!

YOS is open to children of all parishes in year 6 upwards on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month 6.00pm-7.30pm. For further information please contact Sandra Kirkham 342221 or Becky Gilbert 676739.

## November Croscombe, Dinder & Dulcote Joint Sunday Club

This month we are holding another joint Sunday Club with Croscombe. It will be in Croscombe Church Room on Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November from 10.30am and you are all welcome. There will be no Sunday Club in Dinder in November. Sunday Club is for children birth to 13 years. Children under 3 years need to have an adult accompany them. For further information please contact Sandra Kirkham 342221 or Becky Gilbert 676739

## **Prayer and a Pint**

**The next meeting is MONDAY 10<sup>th</sup> November  
at Crossways, North Wootton at 8pm**

when there will be a short talk and optional discussion led by Andrew Pugh about 'Advent', the period in the church's calendar that leads to Christmas.

At this meeting it is hoped our Priest in Charge, Revd. Christine Butler, may be able to be present.

Twelve of us met on the 13<sup>th</sup> October and enjoyed a very interesting talk given by Dick Acworth, retired Archdeacon of Wells, about the fostering of children, including some of his and his wife, Margaret's, personal experiences, having fostered nearly one hundred children themselves.

Prayer and a Pint is every 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday each month and everyone is welcome. Should you require any further details or information, please contact Ted Sayer 01749 890650 ([ted.sayer@uwclub.net](mailto:ted.sayer@uwclub.net))

## **PRAYER FOCUS**

At this season of remembrance we pray for all those affected by wars ...the armed forces, their families and the civilians caught up in the horrors. We pray that all their endeavours were not in vain and that the world can learn from past mistakes. May we, too, live in better harmony with each other.

## **BIBLE READINGS**

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|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> November  | 1 John 4:1-3       | Matthew 5:1-12    |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> November  | Amos 5:18-24       | Matthew 25:1-13   |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> November | Psalms 90: 1-17    | Matthew 25:14-30  |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> November | Ephesians 1:15-end | Matthew 25:31-end |



## **CHURCHES TOGETHER in PILTON** will be holding their annual **CHRISTMAS FAYRE and SOUP LUNCH** in Pilton Village Hall

**on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November: 12noon – 2.00pm**

There will be a variety of stalls and a raffle.

We would be grateful for donations of cakes, plants, bring and buy (from 11.00am) and if you could donate a prize for the raffle please contact Gill Eavis on 890468.

Do come along and enjoy a delicious home-made soup lunch, mince pies, cake, tea and coffee.

## **PILTON SHOW CALENDAR 2015**

will be available at the Christmas Fayre and Soup Lunch  
**on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November**

**HOST** is looking for kind, friendly, hospitable people of all ages whose imaginations are caught by the idea of welcoming an international student at university here, far from his or her own family, to their home, for a day, a weekend or at Christmas. You don't need to live near a university, as students will travel for the privilege of meeting you, learning about real life in this country, and sharing their own culture. **HOST** is a voluntary activity which makes ambassadors for international goodwill of us all. Please see [www.hostuk.org](http://www.hostuk.org) or call regional organiser Frances Good at 01934 712606.

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

on **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

in **Pilton Parish Church at 3.00pm**



or

the following week on **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

in **Dinder Church at 4.00pm.**

Helping to make the Christingles is fun and tasty  
and the lighted ones look lovely,

however young or old you are.

Supporting the work of The Children's Society.

### **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY – 9<sup>th</sup> November**

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

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

In **Croscombe** there will be an Act of Remembrance in the Parish Church, starting at 10.55am, and followed by a Remembrance Service.

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

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

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



### **UNITED ADVENT SUNDAY at DINDER**

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November at 11.00am**

Everyone from our four parishes will be very welcome.

The service of **HOLY COMMUNION** will be suitable for  
all ages

and will include familiar Advent hymns and readings  
and lighting the first candle on the Advent wreath.

After the service tea, coffee etc will be served.

## **AGM of VILLAGE TRUST and ELECTION OF TRUSTEES**

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 7.30pm - Village Hall.

Pilton parishioners have an opportunity to nominate and elect Trustees for Pilton Village Trust and the Playing Fields Trust (the same Trustees are Trustees for both charities). The main job of the Trust is to make sure our playing fields and main village buildings are well maintained and developed for parishioners to use and enjoy. The Trust does this best if the Trustees come from a wide section of the village community because each person has their own knowledge and experience to help develop the facilities in the best way for everyone. As a Trustee you influence decisions. You also have indemnity insurance.

To become a Trustee you have to be over 18, live in Pilton Parish or be a past honorary member of Pilton Working Men's Club. You have to be nominated and seconded on the official forms (available from PO) and post the nomination in the box in the Post Office by end of November 15<sup>th</sup>. If there are more nominations than places, an election takes place at the AGM.

We hope you are able to come to the AGM.

Trust Secretary (*Marilyn Johnson*)

### **THE CLUB**

Discussions are underway on the refurbishment of the Club. Already a range of suggestions and comments on how to make the Club more appealing to a wider cross-section of people have been made in the completed questionnaires so far received. They will be taken on board in the planning. Make sure your views and ideas are taken into account by completing the survey. Questionnaires are available in the entrance hallways to the Village Hall and Club, in the Post Office, the Parish Church and on [piltonvillage.co.uk](http://piltonvillage.co.uk) web site. The Survey will close at the end of Sunday November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Thanks to all of you who have contributed. It is really helpful. There are some clear trends emerging which will help 'shape' how the refurbishment of the Club develops and how all the building can stimulate more social activity.

Thanks, too, to all those who continue to support the Club. By using the facilities and attending the music nights and other functions, it keeps everything alive and vibrant. The cabaret night gave us lots of laughs as two willing volunteers helped the comedy juggler get onto his one-wheeled bike! Luckily the ceiling was just high enough!

## ABOUT PEOPLE

We are glad to welcome new people to our villages. We hope that you settle happily and we look forward to seeing you at village events.

We send our good wishes and prayers to anyone who is unwell at the moment, whether you are at home or in hospital. We remember those receiving treatment and those awaiting the results of tests.

### WEDDING

Congratulations to **Harry Batt** and **Amy Hemmings** who were married in St. Mary's Church, Croscombe on September 20<sup>th</sup>

Congratulations to **Ruth King** of Pilton, younger daughter of Joe & Chris King, who married **Sam Landrigan** on 27<sup>th</sup> September at The Longhouse, Bruton. Ruth, Sam and their little daughter Iris have recently moved back to Pilton from London. They have both started new jobs locally and are looking to settle nearby.

### DEATHS

**Michael Gilliat** was remembered at a thanksgiving Service in Croscombe Church on 19<sup>th</sup> September after cremation at Mendip Crematorium.

We are sad to record the deaths of **Dorothy Easterling** and **Dennis Roach**, both longtime residents of Croscombe.

We send our sympathy to all their families.

As from 29<sup>th</sup> October, **Ron and Lysbeth Ballantine** can be contacted at 1 Tor Woodlands, Tor Street, Wells, BA5 2 UT Telephone: 01749 676991

### CROSCOMBE NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH.... a word to the wise.

I have been told of a pick-pocketing incident that happened on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September in Wells High Street.

A man visited a pasty shop opposite the NatWest Bank in Wells High Street and between there and the market place he had a sizeable sum of money taken from his back pocket. It is believed that there are individuals who stand outside this shop and watch the cashpoints at NatWest and Midland; they note where customers put their money and then pick-pocket them.

This crime will be reported to the Police, but realistically this victim has no chance of ever getting his money back. However, he does want to help prevent this happening to anyone else.

*Louise Tully*

## **CROSCOMBE SENIOR CITIZENS' CLUB**

AGMs are rarely exciting, but after a generous ploughman's lunch with apple pie and cream to follow, we were all in an expansive mood and bore up really well. In fact, spontaneous singing erupted at one end of the table while the washing up was being done.

The only change to report is that, by a show of hands this time last year, our subs. are going up to £8 a year, a rise of 4p.a week, treasurer Keith said – still amazing value for what we receive.

John Taylor then entertained us by circulating 20 photographs of flowers for identification, which was great fun, even though our blood supply had deserted our brains. Pat Vining won a box of chocolates for 17 correct answers.

Don't forget your party clothes for the group photograph in December, and the school concert on 4<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm.

*Barbara Lippett*

## **PILTON HAPPY CIRCLE**

In the age of car travel, a coach trip conjuring up charabancs and Sunday School outings has its own delights. We travelled through the exquisite Dorset scenery to the Jurassic Coast. Highlights were (light?) lunches in Bridport and cream teas in Lyme Regis. (Scones or scones to Mary Berry standards – choose your own pronunciation!)

At 'Cards and Games' we caught up on Pilton gossip and flexed muscles on the skittle alley.

'A Holiday with the Howes' was Liz Elkin's take on our bird-watching holiday in Turkey including several mishaps.

1. The plane's computer went down– an hour's delay. "We've cajoled it back to life"!
2. John taken ill on second morning – determined to visit the Toros Mountains – drove 800 miles.
3. 7 days torrential rain in 12 days – only showers in May!
4. John puts two car wheels over the bank of the River Meander. Two month's wages for two Turks who rescued us with their tractor.

Disheartened? NO!

Spirit of Dunkirk! One 100 bird species – 40 new. Bee Eaters and Rollers. Great scenery, food and company. Thank you, Liz! A memorable talk – great pictures. Care to do it again one dry, sunny May?

*John Howe*



### **CROSCOMBE W. I.**

On a lovely sunny afternoon, we had our September meeting. Our president was unable to attend so the meeting was taken by Di Levien.

Once formalities and business were out of the way, we were entertained by Brian Wright, with a talk about superstitions. He started by asking who was actually superstitious and only three members admitted to it. He said that was about the average (there were 21 members present), and apparently more women are superstitious than men. He brought several items for us to examine and explained what superstition they related to. Many people were afraid of witches in the 17<sup>th</sup> century and tried to deter them, sometimes putting up a horse shoe. Witches were afraid of iron so would not go past. Many superstitions are still carried on today, the most often used being 'Touch wood'. It was also explained to us why some people have a chimney sweep at a wedding and deem it to be lucky.

Being so engrossed, the afternoon went very quickly. It really was most interesting. Di Levien gave a vote of thanks and we finished our afternoon in the usual way, with a cup of tea, a biscuit and a chat. *Lyn Manvill*

### **PILTON VILLAGE W.I.**

For further information please contact: Shirley 330722.

*Shirley Watt*

### **ACTION 371**

The final meeting of the Action 371 Committee was held on September 11<sup>th</sup> to wind up the organisation, and to decide what to do about the remaining funds of just over £100.

It was decided to make a donation of the final total to the Croscombe Bell Restoration Fund. The Committee would like to thank all those who supported Action 371 so loyally over the years.

*Jo Sackett, Chairman.*

### **GLOBE CARNIVAL CLUB**

Grand Christmas Bingo

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December, doors open 7.00pm; eyes down 8.00pm**  
**Croscombe Village Hall**

## **EVENTS AT OUR VILLAGE PUBS AND CLUB**

### **The George Inn, Croscombe**

**Christmas Party Menu** (see it at [www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk](http://www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk))

2 courses £18.95 3 courses £23.95. Book Early

#### **Cycling Group**

Saturday November 1<sup>st</sup> – local 30 miles, depart 10:15am

Saturday November 29<sup>th</sup> – two tunnels, Bath, depart 9:15am

**Curry Night** November 27<sup>th</sup> from 6pm

**Steak Night** every Wednesday

**Live Folk Music** Friday November 21<sup>st</sup>

**Raggedy Folk Music Coaching** Every Monday

Now open all day Friday-Saturday-Sunday (Food served also)

### **Pilton Working Men's Club**

**Saturday November 1<sup>st</sup> & Sunday November 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Pool Competition from 10am Entry Fee £5.

**Saturday November 8<sup>th</sup>**: Hallowqueen Tribute to Queen & a bit of Rocky

Horror. Fancy Dress Optional 8pm Tickets £5 In aid of Alice's World

Challenge Expedition, from Trish 890442, Colin 899517, Andy 07734706257

& Eileen 890436

**Sunday November 9<sup>th</sup>**: Carvery Lunch 12noon - 2.30pm

**Saturday November 15<sup>th</sup>**: Joe Burt 8pm £5

**Sunday November 16<sup>th</sup>** : Evening Bingo 7pm -7.30pm in aid of William

Budd Ward RUH. Anyone wishing to donate a prize please contact Eileen

890436 - it will be greatly appreciated.

**Friday November 28<sup>th</sup>** : Good Biscuits Acoustic Evening 8pm £2.50.

**Saturday November 29<sup>th</sup>** : Stuart Frasier Road Race 8pm

Further details about events, please contact Ann (Evenings 890162)

### **The Crown Inn, Pilton**

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November** – Curry Night

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November** – 8.00pm Fireworks

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

**Every Wednesday** - Take-out night: Fish and Chips

Chicken and Chips, Burgers, Curry etc.

**Every Saturday** – Free bottle of wine with every 2 juicy char-grilled steaks

**Every Sunday** – Great Roast Lunches straight from the oven, choice of meats

Main Course £8.00, 2 courses £12.00

**Autumn/Winter Opening Hours:**

Monday closed except Bank Holidays

Tuesday – Thursday 6.00pm Friday to Sunday 12noon and 6.00pm

## SMALL ADS

**Give your garden a treat! 2 year old well-rotted horse manure** for sale by sack or load. 100% organic. Come and collect. Tel 01749 890582

**Garden Maintenance** – call Dave Williams on 01749 345446

**Domestic Electrician** – Fully Qualified. Rewires. Extra sockets or lighting alterations. Fault finding. Advice given. Quotations: Ian Lester on 01749 890769.

**Wanted: Old Petrol Lawnmowers or garden machinery:** Jim Talbot on 07779498812

**Home Service:** Windows Cleaned (regular or one-off), gutters cleared, paths cleaned, gardens tidied. Please ring Graham on 07966428415.

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

**Julie Bryant, Mobile Hairdressing** in the comfort of your home or mine. Fully qualified and experienced. Please call 07773 421737 or 01749 674792.

**Holiday let,** Stallance, West Looe, Cornwall. ¾ bedrooms, 3 baths, 100m from the sea with fantastic views to Looe Island. Ample car parking. Contact Michael Gilliat, The George Inn, tel 342306 [www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk](http://www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk)

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**Lady Cleaner and General Helper available** in Pilton 01749 899404

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

**Save Money on your Utility Bills:** call Jude on 01749 899588 or 07950044259 for a free consultation.

**POP UP shop:** ladies' clothes, Christmas gifts, home accessories, jewellery. Weekends from November 8<sup>th</sup>. DR Carpets showroom, Evercreech Junction. Details email [nicky@roseandlyons.co.uk](mailto:nicky@roseandlyons.co.uk) or call 07483 118497.

**Christmas Trees** (Nordman's non-drop) Norway Spruce and Holly Wreaths on sale from 1<sup>st</sup> December at 2, Abbots Way, Pilton – 01749 890952

## WHAT'S ON IN DINDER AND DULCOTE

### November

- 2<sup>nd</sup> YOS – outdoors meeting. Contact Becky Gilbert (676739)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Dinder and Croscombe Cricket Club quiz night and raffle  
8.00 pm at The George, Croscombe  
7<sup>th</sup> Village Hall committee meeting 7.00 pm  
7<sup>th</sup> First Friday Bar in the Village Hall from 7.30 pm  
9<sup>th</sup> First service in Dinder church by our new Priest in Charge,  
Rev. Chris Butler  
Remembrance Sunday Holy Communion at 6.30 pm  
16<sup>th</sup> Third Sunday Bar, Village Hall from 12 noon  
21<sup>st</sup> Save the Children Coffee morning Sharcombe Farm (see notice)  
23<sup>rd</sup> Croscombe, Dinder and Dulcote joint Sunday Club meeting  
in Croscombe Church Room from 10.30 am.

### December

- 5<sup>th</sup> Christmas Dinder Village Hall Lunch (pre-book your place) 12.30pm  
(see full details in separate notice)



**Save the Children**

Wells Branch of Save the Children invite you to a

**COFFEE MORNING**

at

**SHARCOMBE FARM, DINDER** (first house behind the Village Hall)

on **FRIDAY 21<sup>st</sup> NOVEMBER**

**from 10.30 am – 12.00 noon**

Cakes/Preserves/Christmas Cards/Presents/Plants. Raffle.

Entry £1.00 to include coffee and biscuits

### CHRISTMAS DINDER VILLAGE HALL LUNCH



Our last lunch for 2014 is on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December. This is our traditional Christmas Turkey Roast followed by a selection of delicious desserts, all for £5.50. Drinks are bought separately at the bar. Please pre-book by phoning either: Margaret Bancroft (674943) or Liz Hoare (670477). Do try to book early as this is our most popular lunch! Please pay when you arrive. Doors open at 12.30pm and we start serving at 12.45pm. We look forward to seeing you all.

## WHAT'S ON IN CROSCOMBE

### November

- 2nd Dinder & Croscombe Cricket Club Quiz Night. The George 8.00pm  
7th Mobile Library. Honeymead 11.20am – 11.30am  
The George Inn 11.35am – 11.45am  
9th Remembrance Sunday Service. St.Mary's Church 10.55am  
12th Parish Council Meeting. Church Room 7.30pm  
18th W.I. Meeting. S.D.A. Hall 2.00pm  
David Duff: "Wills, Women, a Nun, a Tart and a Dark Lady".  
20th Senior Citizens' Club. Christmas Bring and Buy Sale. S.D.A Hall  
(Membership Subscriptions due) 2.15pm  
23rd Sunday Club. Joint meeting with Dinder. Church Room 10.30am  
26th W.I. Scrabble. (Details from Helen Cox, 343642)  
27th Moviola Film Night. "Jimmy's Hall" (P.G.)  
Tickets £6. Licensed Bar. Village Hall 7.00pm for 7.30pm  
28th "Friday Night is Music Night". Friends of St.Mary's.  
ChurchRoom 7.30pm

### December

- 5th Croscombe School Christmas Market 2.00pm – 4.00pm  
6th Evening of Magic and Music, Village Hall 7.00pm  
13th Christmas Charter Market. Village Hall 10.00am – 12.00noon

## DINDER AND CROSCOMBE CRICKET CLUB

Dinder and Croscombe Cricket Club's popular Quiz Night and Raffle will be held on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 8.00pm at The George Inn, Croscombe. Teams of up to 4: £2.00 per person. Everyone welcome.

*Roy Thorne Hon. Sec.*

### MOVIOLA in Croscombe Village Hall

**Jimmy's Hall (PG) Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> November**

A Ken Loach film charting the life of an Irish activist in the '30s, Jimmy Grafton, who builds a rural dancehall in order to air his political views. Deported to the US, where he stays for ten years and then returns to Ireland - to reopen the community centre! Interesting film, don't miss it.

Tickets £6 available at the door/ Croscombe Village Stores.

Doors open at 7.00pm. Licensed Bar – Programme commences at 7.30pm

*Christine Walker, Michael Hay*

## WHAT'S ON IN PILTON

### November

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| 3 <sup>rd</sup> History Group Village Hall   | 7.30pm                         |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Allotment Association AGM Village Hall   | 7.00pm                         |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall   | 7.30pm                         |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> Mobile Library, Top Street Car Park<br>West Compton House  | 2.35 – 2.50pm<br>3.00 – 3.10pm |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> Pilton Show AGM, Village Hall   | 7.30pm                         |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> Happy Circle, 'My School Days', PWMC  | 2.00pm                         |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> Pilton Village W.I. Xmas Decorations, Village Hall<br>Suzanne Millard, wrapping, bows and have a go yourself. | 7.30pm                         |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> Pilton PCC, Parish Church   | 7.30pm                         |
| 20 <sup>th</sup> RBL AGM, Village Hall   | 7.30pm                         |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup> Ramblers, Village Hall Car Park   | 2.00pm                         |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> Happy Circle, Panto: 'Robin Hood', PWMC   | 2.00pm                         |
| 29 <sup>th</sup> Christmas Fayre and Soup Lunch, Village Hall  | 12.00 – 2.00pm                 |

### December

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| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Bhopal Charity Auction, PWMC   | 7.30pm |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup> 'Treasures from the Orient' Sales Details next month |        |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> Royal British Legion Talk, Village Hall. Details next month           |        |

**Pilton Village History Group** will be holding a members' evening on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 7.30 in the Village Hall. This will be a chance for members to make suggestion on future events and to hear reports from the sub groups. One suggestion is to hold a Wassail in the Barn in January using either a nearby orchard or Gabriel's Orchard. I already have a provisional OK to use the barn and for a musician to attend but would welcome further assistance and ideas on the event.

*Richard Raynsford* (Secretary)

### PILTON SHOW AGM

All are welcome to come along to the Show AGM in the Village Hall on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30 pm, after which cheese and wine will be served. All suggestions and bright ideas are particularly welcome, as are newcomers wishing (and willing) to become involved.

If you are unable to attend, and have any particular comments for the Flower Show, please contact Chris King on [ck.pilton@btinternet.com](mailto:ck.pilton@btinternet.com)  
Any other concerns, please contact Chairman, Hugh Berry (890469)  
[hugh.berry@btinternet.com](mailto:hugh.berry@btinternet.com)

**Purple coloured zipped sweatshirt** with hood (Cedar Wood State, size M) was left behind the tea counter at Pilton Show. Please call Gail Milne 890670 to claim it.

## **PILTON ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION AGM**

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November – 7.00pm in Pilton Village Hall.



**PILTON RAMBLERS'** last walk of the year will be on **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November** starting from the Village Hall car park at **2.00 pm**. It will be along public footpaths and the choice of route will be left until the last moment in order to take account of conditions underfoot but the maximum distance covered will be five miles. If you would like to come along you will be very welcome!

*John Wheat 890585*

### **Updated contact details for Pilton Pre-school**

Email details for Pilton Pre-school are incorrect in the advert and should read: [preschool@piltonvillage.co.uk](mailto:preschool@piltonvillage.co.uk)

### **CHARITY AUCTION**

To mark the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the **Bhopal gas disaster**, there will be a charity auction at 7.30pm on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December in the Old Working Men's Pilton Club. All proceeds will go to the Bhopal Medical Appeal. Auction items include theatre tickets, an MOT, massage treatments, booze, artefacts, Christmas cakes, tickets to various venues and some one-off Glastonbury Festival memorabilia, plus lots more. Please come and support this small charity, have a great evening and enjoy some live music too. The £3 entry includes a glass of mulled wine and a mince pie. For further details please contact Fiona Case on 899125. If you really can't come then you can call her for details and leave a bid.

NB If you live in Pilton please consider leaving your car at home to help visitors.

### **ADVANCED NOTICE**

**Talk** in aid of the **Pilton Branch of the Royal British Legion** by Colonel John Blashford-Snell in Pilton Village Hall on **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December** .  
Details next month.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to **Phil** and **Shellie Critchley** at Croscombe Village Stores for winning **Best Village Shop in the South West** in the Taste of the West Awards 2014.

## **NEWS FROM CROSCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL**

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

**Neighbourhood Plan** – please return your questionnaire on housing in the village (if you haven't already done so). They can be placed in the Parish boxes in The George and the Village Stores OR handed to any one of your village councillors. We need your views in order to truly represent you in the final Neighbourhood Plan and for us to plan any further housing investigations on your behalf.

**Parking** – we are working on the problem and by the time you read this our District Councillor, the Neighbourhood Plan parking committee and hopefully a police representative will have 'walked the village' to determine the problem areas and suggest possible solutions. We will keep you updated. Please continue to park carefully and not obstruct narrow roads or people's driveways.

**Next Meeting.** - 7.30 pm on November 12<sup>th</sup> in the Church Room. All are welcome.

### **CROSCOMBE OAP and CHILDREN'S FUND**

Thank you to everyone who supported the Harvest Auction. The grand sum of £757.50 was raised and an enjoyable night was had by all who attended.

Please note that the **OAP Christmas Dinner** will be held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December, 7.30 in the Village Hall. All Croscombe OAPs (men 65, ladies 60) are welcome. Please phone Alison 345322, Martin 343126 or Imelda 343788 to book.

The date for the **Children's party** is Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December and we would be grateful if you would let us know if your child is coming. Please phone Sonia 342012 or Alison 345322.

### **CROSCOMBE VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB DRAW**

#### **July**

1<sup>st</sup> Nick Fowler £25

2<sup>nd</sup> Mrs. C. Crumplin £15

#### **August**

1<sup>st</sup> Mrs. A. Collyer £25

2<sup>nd</sup> Keith Armstrong £15

#### **September**

1<sup>st</sup> Mrs. A. Calvert £25

2<sup>nd</sup> Roy Bobbett £15



## **FRIENDS of ST MARY's, CROSCOMBE**

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

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November 7.30 pm in Croscombe Church Room.

We are delighted to invite you to the next in our series of popular music evenings. This month Terry is entertaining us with a programme of keyboard music – Rachmaninov piano transcriptions and compositions. Programme notes will be supplied. Wine and tea/coffee and nibbles served after the music. The programme usually lasts about an hour.

Because space is limited, admittance is by ticket only. These are available from the Churchwardens (345405 or 345222) and are free to Friends, £2 to others.

**Stop press:** Many thanks to the Swainsons and friends for a superb musical evening on October 18th. We are delighted to say the concert raised £800 towards the Bell Fund.

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

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

A Note for your Diary: An Evening of Music and Magic at **Croscombe Village Hall**, for all the family, on **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00 pm** to get the ball rolling on our fund-raising efforts towards the update of the Hall.

*Miranda Spenlove-Brown*

Secretary, Croscombe Village Hall Management Committee



## **Croscombe Church of England Primary School Christmas Market, Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December (2-4pm) Calling all Stallholders!**

The Christmas Market is held in school and has a variety of stalls to browse. It is a lovely festive event and a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon. The Friends of Croscombe School are currently asking for stall holders who might be interested in running a stall at this event. The cost would be £10 per stall. If you are interested, please contact Tiffany on 01749 938384.

## **THE FESTIVAL RUN 2014**

800 people descended on Worthy Farm on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October for the Festival Run. At the Start Line by the Red Barns, 400 runners lined up in 40 rows to take on the challenging routes, including the steep hill to the Barn and the notorious Muddy Lane leading to the Finish.

Runners came from Dorset, Devon, Wiltshire and, of course, Somerset, with one even from Australia! Pilton was well represented by the 70 volunteers including stewards & marshals, cake bakers, the Pre-School group and among the Runners – indeed the winner of the 10k Run was Tom Dukes from the Village in an excellent 38.35 minutes. It was great to see Michael Eavis, who started the Runs and gave away the prizes, welcome so many Piltonians to the Festival site. The Press covered the Run –for example the front page of the Shepton Journal.

The Organizing Committee (Christopher Bond, Julia Dukes, Christine King, Joe King, Mike Mayhew, Julie Patterson and Richard Raynsford) have particular pleasure in thanking the many people in Pilton who participated in a variety of roles. The Festival Run 2014 was a great success for all – happy runners and well over £4000 raised for the Children's Hospice South West.

## **BITS FROM THE BELFRY**

On Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October a quarter peal was rung at St John the Baptist, Pilton to celebrate the wedding of Ruth King and Samuel Landrigan which took place at Bruton on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September.

The ringers were:

|                                 |                           |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Treble: Ruth Landrigan (Pilton) | 4: Graham Darke (Wells)   |
| 2: Maureen Tofts (Pilton)       | 5: Ken Browne (Croscombe) |
| 3: Helen Brown (Croscombe)      | 6: Joseph King (Pilton)   |

The quarter peal was conducted by Helen, and was Ruth's first since 1995.

Further afield, on the same day, an attempt to break a nearly 50-year-old bell ringing world record had to be abandoned after a mistake was made.

Twelve campanologists were trying to ring 21,216 changes of a "method" (or sequence) called Cambridge Surprise Maximus on the 12 bells of South Petherton church, near Yeovil. If successful, this would have taken approximately 14 hours of continuous bell ringing – a considerable feat of physical and mental stamina and concentration.

It was called off after about four hours after two bells shifted course - meaning they were rung in the wrong order.

The record attempt was hoping to raise £20,000 for various charities.

The current record of 16,368 changes was set at Birmingham Cathedral in 1965.

*Ken Brown*

## **Fosseway Gardening Club**

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November

Pylle Village Hall (The old school on A37)

**Christmas Decoration Demonstration** – Nicky Llewellyn

New members always welcome

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

Details from Janet (01749 331306) or Barbara (01749 960438)

## **CELEBRATED HORTICULTURALIST ANNE SWITHINBANK IN NORTH WOOTTON VILLAGE HALL**

On Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November, Anne Swithinbank from BBC Radio Four's Gardeners' Question Time is coming to give a talk at the North Wootton Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Anne is a wonderful speaker; warm, amusing, and with a host of anecdotes and information which will warm the heart of the most reluctant gardener! She is happy to take questions and it seems there is nothing that she does not know. You can bring specimens for her to identify, or diseased plants for her to advise on!

There will be a bar and a raffle.

Tickets are £10, from Shelley on 890755 or [shelley.bovey@gmail.com](mailto:shelley.bovey@gmail.com) or Hedgerows, Stocks Lane, North Wootton BA4 4EP

Book soon as this is a very popular event.

**I.T. for the Terrified** – for all your computer training needs. A skill-sharing, informal, community project. Run by a Committee – Staffed by Volunteers.

**A.G.M.** on Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> November at 4.00pm at the Old Cowshed, Station Road, Cheddar.BS27 3AG (Registered Charity No. 1130308).

## **Mid-Somerset Decorative and Fine Arts Society**

18<sup>th</sup> November : “**Ballets Russes - Chagall, Picasso & Matisse**”. Theodora Clarke. Caryford Hall, Castle Cary, BA7 7JJ, at 11.00am. Free parking. £6.

Information 01963 350 527.

## **Mendip DFAS**

4th November: “**Angelica Kauffman: an artist in 18<sup>th</sup> century England**”, by Leslie Primo, at the Westex Suite, Bath & West Show Ground, Shepton Mallet, BA4 6QN, 10.30 for 11.00am. Details: [www.mdfas.org.uk](http://www.mdfas.org.uk). Guests welcome.

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

All phone codes 01749 and all addresses in each village unless specified

### **PILTON PARISH CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST**

#### **Churchwardens:**

Mr Paul Warry, Sharomayn, Westholme Road BA4 4EB 890434

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**Magazine Collection Point for Pilton:** Roundabout Mail Box at  
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### **PILTON METHODIST CHURCH**

#### **Minister:**

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### **CROSCOMBE PARISH CHURCH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN**

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#### **PCC Secretary:**

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**Magazine Collection Point for Croscombe:** The Village Stores

### **CROSCOMBE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH**

**Pastor:** Rudi Puskas 07988 412499

**1st Elder:** Mr Siegfried Edwards, 672979

**Treasurer:** Mrs Zaria Search, 20 Honeymead, Fayreway, Croscombe

## **NORTH WOOTTON PARISH CHURCH OF ST PETER**

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## **DINDER PARISH CHURCH OF ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS**

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## **PILTON METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES**

|                  |          |   |                |
|------------------|----------|---|----------------|
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | November | Mr A Pugh                                     | 11.00am        |
| 9 <sup>th</sup>  | November | United at Parish Church - Remembrance Service | <b>10.55am</b> |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> | November | Mr R Haskins                                  | 11.00am        |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> | November | Mrs H Wade                                    | 11.00am        |
| 30 <sup>th</sup> | November | Rev C Anderton                                | 11.00am        |

Children are always welcome to join our Sunday School.

Details from Jacquy 890701

### **Morning Prayer in Croscombe Church**

at 8.30am daily, on Monday to Saturday

### **A Time of Quiet Prayer in Pilton Church**

at 9.00am on Wednesdays

# PARISH CHURCH SERVICES

## NOVEMBER 2014

### 2<sup>nd</sup> November All Saints

|         |                    |               |
|---------|--------------------|---------------|
| 9.30am  | Holy Communion     | Dinder        |
| 11.00am | Family Service     | Pilton        |
| 11.00am | Family Service     | Croscombe     |
| 11.00am | Holy Communion     | North Wootton |
| 4.00pm  | All Soul's Service | Pilton        |

### 9<sup>th</sup> November Remembrance Sunday

|         |                     |               |
|---------|---------------------|---------------|
| 10.55am | Remembrance Service | Pilton        |
| 10.55am | Remembrance Service | Croscombe     |
| 10.55am | Remembrance Service | North Wootton |
| 6.30pm  | Holy Communion      | Dinder        |

### 16<sup>th</sup> November 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Advent

|         |                      |               |
|---------|----------------------|---------------|
| 9.30am  | Holy Communion (BCP) | North Wootton |
| 11.00am | Morning Service      | Pilton        |
| 11.00am | Morning Service      | Croscombe     |
| 11.00am | Holy Communion       | Dinder        |
| 6.30pm  | Holy Communion       | Croscombe     |

### 23<sup>rd</sup> November Christ the King

|         |                 |               |
|---------|-----------------|---------------|
| 9.30am  | Holy Communion  | Pilton        |
| 9.30am  | Morning Service | North Wootton |
| 11.00am | Holy Communion  | Croscombe     |
| 11.00am | Morning Service | Dinder        |

### 30<sup>th</sup> November Advent 1

|         |                |        |
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| 11.00am | United Service | Dinder |
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### 7<sup>th</sup> December Advent 2

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|---------|----------------|---------------|
| 9.30am  | Holy Communion | Dinder        |
| 11.00am | Family Service | Croscombe     |
| 11.00am | Holy Communion | North Wootton |
| 3.00pm  | Christingle    | Pilton        |