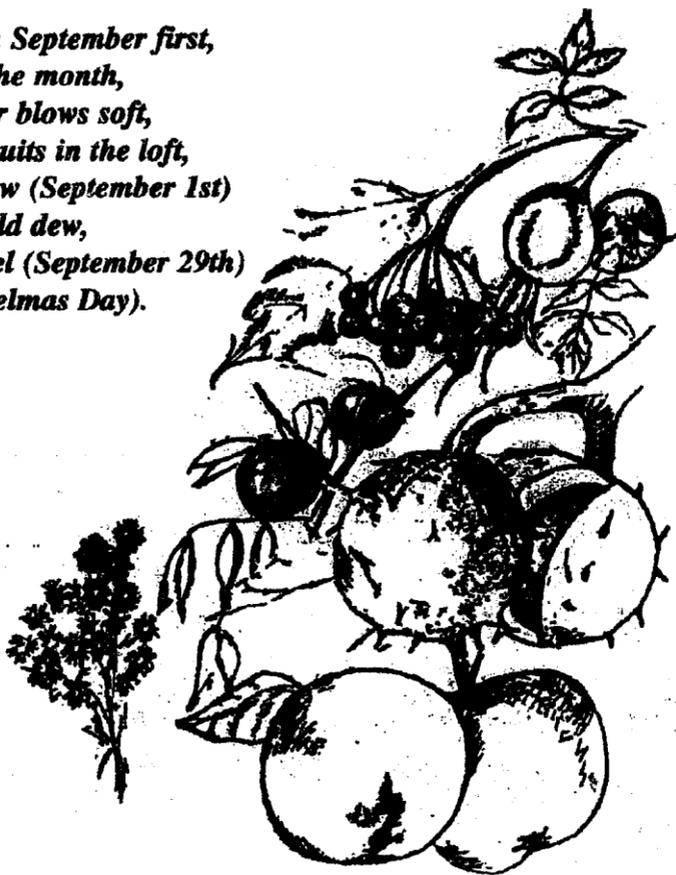


THE
ROUNDAABOUT
CHURCH AND COMMUNITY MAGAZINE

*"Fair on September first,
Fair for the month,
September blows soft,
Tell the fruits in the loft,
St Matthew (September 1st)
Brings cold dew,
St Michael (September 29th)
or Michaelmas Day).*



SEPTEMBER 2017

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

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ENQUIRIES ABOUT MATERIAL FOR ROUNDABOUT

Roundabout email address: magazine@roundaboutnews.org.uk

All material in Word, please, and not in boxes.

Adverts in the colour section are now being handled by Gail Milne (890670) gail.milne@btconnect.com. These only change in January.

Charges for Small Adverts: Small adverts are 50p per line per month, preferably only two lines for short periods. Requests 1 week before deadline to allow for setting up and billing. Insertion only on receipt of payment.

All other materials and the small adverts should be left at the collecting points (see pages 22, 23) but if you need to speak to someone please contact Susan Green (890524), Christine Davies (890009), Stella Elston (673766), Janet Christie (344633), or Ann Williamson (428133) who will help you.

Please make sure that emails with items for *Roundabout* are acknowledged by one of the team within two days of sending them.

OCTOBER ROUNDABOUT DEADLINE FOR ALL MATERIAL IS

MONDAY 18th SEPTEMBER 9.00am

WORKING WITH NATURE?

Continuing my wildlife odyssey, last month I visited *Rhayader* in Powys to visit the Red Kite feeding centre.

As we sat quietly in hides (my dog very happily munching on snacks to keep her quiet) Red Kites came from all directions waiting for the food to be put out. It was like a scene from 'The Birds' as they all swooped down with their claws extended to grasp a tasty morsel (not that I have ever watched the Hitchcock epic, a glimpse as a child was enough for me). There seemed to be hundreds of Kites and also buzzards and crows.

The more mature Kites had the definitive v-shaped tail but the less mature ones, which seemed to wait for the first group to finish, had much less defined tails. What amazed me most was that they transferred the scrap of meat to their beak in flight – I wish I was that flexible.

Although it was an amazing experience it did raise some questions in my mind. Should we still be feeding the Red Kites, is it an example of interfering with nature or a successful conservation programme? The jury appears to be out at the moment, but there is no arguing that it was an amazing sight.

On the other end of the scale a friend volunteers for Prickles the hedgehog charity in Cheddar; they give sick and underweight hedgehogs a helping hand and then release them back into the wild. I am hoping we may be able to release some in the wildlife garden in North Wootton, but watch this space.

These are examples of reintroducing wildlife that used to live in the country or protecting wildlife which is struggling.

Many would argue that rather than spending our time looking after wildlife we should concern ourselves with people and their welfare. Surely we should be able to do both in our churches and in our villages.

That is something I am sure most of us can get on board with. The debates will continue about the best way to achieve this but I suspect most of us know that this will only work if we all play our part.

Rev Chris

PRAYER FOCUS

In our prayers we remember all the children starting and changing their schools or new stages of education. We pray for our local pre-schools, schools and colleges, for all who learn and work there. As Autumn begins we celebrate the beauties and bounty of the Harvest season.

BIBLE READINGS

3 rd September	Romans 12: 9-end	Matthew 16: 21-end
10 th September	Romans 13: 8-end	Matthew 18:15-20
17 th September	Romans 14: 1-12	Matthew 18: 21-35
24 th September	Philippians 1: 21-end	Matthew 20: 1-16

Separate readings for Harvest Services

ABOUT PEOPLE

We are glad to welcome new people to our villages. We hope that you settle happily and we look forward to meeting 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.

BAPTISM

Brody Kyle Allen was baptised at a service in St John the Baptist's Church, Pilton on Sunday 23rd July.

DEATH

We are sad to report the death of **Alex Lees** of Pilton.

THANK YOU

Andrew and Christine Shaw, of Pilton, wish to thank everyone for their kind and moving messages of sympathy and the generous support offered following the tragic death of their dearly beloved son Jonathan, near Chew Magna on 4th August. He leaves a wife Clare and 2 sons of 11 and 9 years. Reverend Charles Roberts is leading services on Thursday, 31st August. Any donations, please, for: Great Ormond St Hospital Children's Charity; to: Bryan Bishop, Funeral Directors, Paulton, BS39 7LW or to Andrew Shaw, Meadow View Barn, Whitstone Hill, Pilton / sort code: 40-40-02 account no: 41416316 (to gain Gift Aid): reference: Jon Shaw.



PRAYER MEETINGS

Are you someone who wants to pray but who finds it easier to pray with other people? If so or if you have a heart to pray for our church and community please do come and join us as we introduce 2 monthly prayer meetings from October:

Pilton – 2nd Wednesday of the month 6.00pm in the Parish Church.

Dinder – 4th Wednesday of the month 6.00pm in the Church.

As the weather gets colder we will probably decamp to a warmer location!!



HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICES

Every year there are new places and people suffering from famine and other problems that affect basic life. It is important to reflect on these issues in our Harvest Thanksgiving Services as well as remembering those who produce our food and giving thanks to God. There are Harvest Thanksgiving Services in all our churches and whether you come to church or not, you are most welcome to come to any of these services.

The Harvest Services are:

Pilton Methodist Church	Sunday 17 th September	11.00am
Croscombe Parish Church	Sunday 17 th September	11.00am
Dinder Church	Sunday 24 th September	11.00am
Pilton Parish Church	Sunday 1 st October	11.00am
North Wootton Church	Sunday 8 th October	11.00am

HARVEST CELEBRATIONS AT PILTON

On **Sunday 17th September** Harvest Celebrations will begin at the Methodist Church with a Harvest Service at 11.00am. The sale will take place at 6.30pm. **Gifts** of produce will be gratefully received on **Saturday morning, 16th September, and during the service.**

We would be very grateful to receive gifts for the Harvest Service in **The Parish Church** on **Sunday 1st October** at 11.00am. Gifts can be left in the church before 11.00am on **Saturday 30th September** or brought to the service. We would appreciate tins or packeted goods to support the valuable work of the Salvation Army.



PILTON HARVEST LUNCH In THE PARISH CHURCH

SUNDAY 1st OCTOBER following the service

Adults £8, Primary-aged children £4.

Tickets from Gill Eavis (890468), Hilary Austin (890561)

And Eileen Govier (890436). Everyone welcome.



TRAIDCRAFT- Open House
on **Friday 15 September** from 10.00am until
8.00pm at Anthony and Hilary Austin's, The

Brambles, Pilton.BA4 4BH (890561).

The new catalogues are now available with a wide selection of Christmas cards and gifts to choose from, as well as other Traidcraft products. Bring a friend and come and have a coffee and a chat.

BENEFACT MID-WEEK COMMUNION at North Wootton at 11.00am every Tuesday. All welcome.

YOS

We hope you have had a super summer and a great start to the new term! We won't be meeting in September as it is so close to the end of the holidays. We look forward to seeing you on Sunday 1st October. YOS is open to children of all parishes in Year 6 upwards. We meet in Dinder Village Hall on the 1st Sunday of each month 6.00pm-7.30pm. For further information please contact Sandra Kirkham 342221 or Becky Gilbert 676739.

BITS FROM THE BELFRY - Lightning death at Pilton in 1782

The following intriguing account appeared in a letter in a recent edition of The Ringing World, the weekly journal of bellringers. The published diaries of James Woodforde (1758 – 1802) "The Diaries of a Country Parson" refer to a bell ringer being killed by a lightning strike while actually ringing a bell. The entry for 18th June 1782 reads:

"We heard at Ansford that there were 3 Men struck down in Pilton Church by the Lightning this morning. One of them killed instantly - but the others like to recover. The Man that was Struck dead was tolling a bell for a Person lately dead, the other two were near him."

Though lightning conductors were proposed by Benjamin Franklin in the late 1750's, it is unlikely that they were widely adopted in rural churches for quite some time after that.

Three of the present ring of 8 bells at Pilton date from before 1782, so maybe it was one of those still extant bells that the unfortunate man was tolling when he died.

With acknowledgement and thanks to David Atkinson of Macclesfield, Cheshire for writing on this subject to The Ringing World.

If anyone has any more information on this I would be most grateful to hear about it, as, I am sure, would David.

Ken Brown 346291

WHAT'S ON IN CROSCOMBE

September

- 2nd Friends of St. Mary's: Concert by the Chapel Choir
of St. Edmund Hall, Oxford, St. Mary's Church 7.30pm
- 9th Harvest Charter Market. Village Hall 10.00am – 2.00pm
- 13th Poetry Group (Details from Joy Harvey, 939074) 2.30pm
- 13th Parish Council Meeting. Church Room 7.30pm
- 17th Harvest Festival Service. St. Mary's Church 11.00am
- 19th WI Meeting. Talk on Fire Safety. SDA Hall 2.00pm
- 21st Senior Citizens' Club. Talk by Mr Michael Head,
Veterinary Surgeon. SDA Hall 2.15pm
- 22nd Autumnal Feast, in aid of Save the Children Fund,
Village Hall (Booking necessary – see notice) 7.30pm
- 23rd Croscombe Society. Plant Sale. Parsonage House 2.00pm
- 24th Sunday Club. St. Mary's Church 11.00am
- 27th WI Scrabble (Details from Helen Cox, 343642) 2.45pm
- 28th Moviola Film Night. 'The Levelling' (15).
Village Hall 7.00 for 7.30pm
- 29th Friends of St. Mary's. Friday Night is Music Night.
Church Room 7.30pm
- 30th Harvest Auction. The George Inn 8.00pm

October

- 7th 'Afternoon Tea at The Ritz'. Village Hall



THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S, CROSCOMBE STOP PRESS!

At short notice we have been invited to host a concert of Choral Music by the Chapel Choir of St Edmund Hall, Oxford. Their Director of Music is Christopher Bucknall whose parents, John and Diana, lived in Croscombe until recently. The programme, which will last about an hour, includes music by Tallis, Byrd, Palestrina and others. The choir contains around twenty people including eight Choral Scholars and sings at weekly services. It is also very active outside Chapel – including recent tours to France and Poland. The date is **Saturday 2 September at 7.30pm in Croscombe Church**. Entry is free with a retiring collection.

Prevalent Himalayan Balsam A work party donned their wellington boots and cleared the verges and riverbanks of Croscombe of this pernicious thug, with good cheer and a cup of Peter Graham's coffee. Well done to you all!

You are invited to our
HARVEST CHARTER MARKET

On Saturday, 9th September 10.00am – 2.00pm

At the Village Hall, Fayreway, Croscombe

Longer opening hours so that we can include a light lunch – pop in for a bowl of soup or a bacon buttie.

Exciting new food stalls, crafts, plants, raffle and much more. Children's activities with prizes.

If you're interested in having a stall, or have any further enquiries, please contact: Mary Cadogan (tel. 01749 572875) or email marylucia.cadogan@gmail.com

Our charity this year is Mendip Mallards in Street.

ST MARY'S CROSCOMBE HARVEST FESTIVAL



Our Harvest Thanksgiving Service is at 11.00am on Sunday 17th September. Gifts of foodstuff and produce to help decorate the church will be gratefully received before 10.30am on Saturday 16th September. If it is more convenient, non-perishables can be left in church earlier in the week. The foods will be delivered to Grace Harris House in Shepton Mallet the following week. They are always very grateful for our yearly gift.

Terry McCarthy



Save the Children

AUTUMNAL FEAST AT CROSCOMBE

Come to an Autumnal Feast in Croscombe Village Hall on **Friday September 22nd** at 7.30pm! Croscombe resident, Mary Cadogan, food writer, cook and former Food Director of BBC Good Food magazine, will demonstrate recipes for a three-course meal. The pre-prepared meal will then be enjoyed by you! All proceeds to Save the Children. Bar and raffle. Tickets £20 from Hilary Cain 428015 and Nikki Rainbow 870661.

MOVIOLA in Croscombe Village Hall

Thursday, 28th September : 'The Levelling'(15)

' Filmed on the Somerset Levels, this film follows the story of a farming family in the aftermath of the 2014 floods. A film which gives food for thought.'

Tickets : £6 available at the door/Croscombe Village Store

Doors open at 7.00pm Licensed Bar,

Programme commences at 7.30pm.

Christine Walker and Michael Hay

CROSCOMBE SOCIETY: Bring and Buy Plant Sale

You had notice of the 'Ready' in the August Roundabout, now here is the 'Steady'. Newly separated and self-seeded plants are nestling in pots, cuttings are sending out fragile rootlets and bulbs are drying out on the staging. Even if you have been too busy harvesting beans, digging roots and pampering your tomatoes, it is not too late to start thinking about things to bring to the Croscombe Society Bring and Buy Plant Sale. Some have said that they have no plants but they will come for the refreshments, and that's o.k. too. All are welcome at 2pm on **Saturday, September 23rd** at Parsonage House, (opposite the School).

Alison Bassett



THE FRIENDS of ST MARY'S, CROSCOMBE Friday Night is Music Night!

Our next music night is Friday 29 September in the Church Room. The music starts at 7.30pm.

Do come and join a small group who meet to listen to a programme of recorded classical music chosen by Terry McCarthy. The music is varied and the whole evening a very relaxed affair; you really do not need to be a music expert. This time we will hear Acts I, II and III of Purcell's 'The Fairy Queen'. Programme notes are supplied.

The programme lasts for about an hour and we have time then for a tea/coffee or a glass of wine – and a chat! New 'listeners' will be made very welcome.

Entrance fee £3 - free for Friends of St Mary's.

CROSCOMBE OAP and CHILDREN'S FUND ANNUAL HARVEST AUCTION will be held at The George Inn on the evening of **Saturday 30th September**. The Auction will start at 8pm and all proceeds raised will go to the OAP & Children's Fund and therefore back into the Village (remember the bouncy castle and BBQ at the Fun Day and remember the lovely coach trip to Weymouth and remember...well you get the idea). We rely on your support, so get growing, producing, making and buying. All donations and gifts to the auction are greatly received and much appreciated. Gifts can be dropped at the George the night before or on the day of the auction. It really is a fun night so please do come along, have a drink, have a laugh, buy a bargain and support the Village. Any questions or queries please don't hesitate to contact me, 01749 342012. See you there...

Nick Fowler, Chairman.

WHAT'S ON IN PILTON

September

- 2nd and 3rd Pilton Show Weekend (see details)
- 4th History Group, Village Hall 7.30pm
- 5th Village Voices Community Choir, Methodist Chapel 7.30pm
- 6th Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall 7.30pm
- 13th Happy Circle Outing to Abbotsbury
- 15th Traidcraft Open Day, 10.00am – 8.00pm
The Brambles, Barrow Lane
- 18th W.I. Village Hall 7.30pm
'The Born Free Foundation', Dawn Lawrence
- 25th W.I. 'Call in for a Cuppa', Post Office 2.00 – 4.00pm
- 27th Happy Circle, PWMC 2.30pm
'An Afternoon with the Stars', Sarah Maude

October

- 1st Harvest Service and Harvest Lunch (see details on page 5)



PILTON VILLAGE HISTORY GROUP

Monday 4th September 7.30pm
in Pilton Village Hall

"Medieval Gardening at Glastonbury Abbey"

Mark Hutchinson, or rather, Brother Mark of Glastonbury Abbey, will be telling us of the gardens that he would have tended at the Abbey some 700 years ago.

What herbs were grown? What was their use in medicine or in the kitchen? What crops were grown? I can say for sure there were no potatoes! Visitors are welcome at all our meetings.

Steve Tofts



VILLAGE VOICES COMMUNITY CHOIR The first rehearsal of the Autumn Term is on **Tuesday 5th September** at 7.30pm in the Methodist Chapel, Top Street, Pilton. ALL WELCOME.

HAPPY CIRCLE COACH TRIP TO ABBOTSBURY SUBTROPICAL GARDENS: The coach will leave Pilton bus shelter at 9.30 a.m. on **Wednesday 13th September**. The coach fare and entrance to the gardens is £18. If you would like to join us please phone Sheila West 890448.



**PILTON SHOW WEEKEND
ON PILTON PLAYING FIELD, PYLLE ROAD**

Saturday 2nd September from 2.00-5.00 pm

Flower Show entries accepted 8.30-10.45am in marquee

Entry forms to complete on line/bring with your entries

www.piltonflowershow.org.uk

FLOWER SHOW and FETE

Savage Skills Mountain Bikes Display

Children's games & face painting, Stalls

Bouncy Castle, Skittles, Raffle etc

Live music from *The Olde Boston Tea Party*

W.I. Teas, Bar, Brown Cow BBQ

7.00-11.00 pm **BARN DANCE**

Music from *Rapscallion* with caller

Tickets from Post Office and Gail Milne 890670

Hog roast (served between 7.30-9.30 pm)

and bar at additional cost

Entry: £5 for adults, £2 for children aged 5-11

Sunday 3rd September from 2 pm

Village Cricket Match and Tug o' War

Cream teas, BBQ. 4.30 pm Terry's famous bar auction

At 6.30 pm Thanksgiving Service in Pilton Church
featuring local organisations benefiting from Show grants
and a special tribute to the late Chairman Hugh Berry



Save the Children

Pilton and N.Wootton **Save the Children** will
be at the Thursday café in North Wootton on
September 21st with Christmas cards and other trading goods to sell.
For further information please phone 676991 *Lysbeth Ballantine*

SEPTEMBER EVENTS AT OUR VILLAGE PUBS AND CLUBS

Pilton Working Men's Club (BA4 4BB)

New opening times: We are open from 6pm Monday-Wednesday and from 5:30pm Thursday-Friday.

Large selection of fine ales, ciders and lagers from £3.00 per pint

Happy Hour Thursday and Friday, (5:30pm-7:00pm)
beers from £2.50 per pint.

Grill Nights Friday: 15th, 22nd, 29th

Sunday Carvery 17th, 24th and October 1st

Saturday 16th: Live Music with **Simple Chaos**

Saturday 23rd special '**Equinox Party**' with Three Live Bands

Saturday 30th **The Decade Dolls** See page 15

Mid-September, Sunday evenings, the return of our legendary
Triathlon (details at the Bar).

Please phone 890162 - Pete 07825 323242

The Crown Inn, Pilton (890762)

thecrowninnpilton@outlook.com

Open 7 nights a week 6 – 11.30pm – food served 6.00 – 9.30pm

Open Lunch Wed – Sun 12-2.30 (3.30Sun)

Take Away 7 nights a week 6 – 9.30pm,
pop in for a menu or give us a ring

Quiz Night 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month

Steak Night last Saturday of every month

(choose from sirloin, ribeye, rump, gammon, fillet)

Sunday Roast every Sunday, choice of two meats with all the trimmings

Live Music once a month—see website, facebook or board outside pub

The George Inn, Croscombe (342306) – *By George it's good!*

Open 7.30am – 3pm, 6 – 11pm daily, 8am – 11pm weekends.

Breakfast, lunch, supper served daily. Food served all day at weekends

Cycle Saturday Sat 2nd 30 miles

Dog Show Sat 9th 3.00pm

Thai Night Thurs 14th 6.00pm

Harvest Auction Sat 30th (see details)

Cycle Sat 80 miles Sat 30th

For more details see www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk

‘LIFELINE: A Reformation Pilgrimage’ (new book by David Osborne)
As the 500th anniversary of the Reformation approached David Osborne made a pilgrimage by bicycle through many of the places where significant events occurred in that religious upheaval. To David, growing up in England just after the Second World War, Germany had been ‘the enemy’, but he was also aware of the great debt owed to German culture, in science, music and particularly in theology. His pilgrimage was a time to reflect on this German contribution to society and the church, to face some of his own shadows, and to try to work out what the events of the Reformation might mean in crises now.

Lifeline: A Reformation Pilgrimage is published by Christians Aware and is available, price £8.95, from the publisher at www.christiansaware.co.uk; from Bailey Hill Books, Castle Cary; or from Susan Green on 890524.

CROSCOMBE SHOP – *Help us help you.*

Open 7.00am – 6.00pm daily, Sunday 9.00 – 11.00am

We all like the idea of a village shop, but it isn’t economic to compete against the big retailers nearby. What can we do, that you and others will consider valuable enough to spend money on? Please pop in the shop or the pub and discuss your ideas. *Peter Graham*

CROSCOMBE VILLAGE HALL FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Afternoon Tea at The Ritz.....at the Village Hall, Saturday October 7th

PILTON BRANCH ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

We urgently need House to House collectors for the Remembrancetide Poppy Appeal of the Royal British Legion this year for the fortnight from 28th October to 11th November in Pilton, North Wootton, Burford and West Compton. Collectors normally deal with their neighbourhood area. Last year we collected just under £3000 for a national total of £42 million and all monies are ring-fenced for Community Support and our Care Homes such as Dunkirk House near Taunton. Please contact Bill Southcombe on 07716 756 510 by phone or text, or email: bill.southcombe@gmail.com. *Bill Southcombe*

POSTAGE STAMPS Please continue to collect postage stamps for the two charities (St. Margaret’s Somerset Hospice and the R.S.P.B.) who are always grateful for your contributions. They can be left at my house - Livadia, Fayreway, Croscombe. Many thanks for past offerings.

Janet Dowding

SMALL ADS

Dog Walking and Pet Sitting 07709 739508. Please visit website for details www.premierpetcarers.co.uk

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

Fionna Roberts PCH; Classical Homeopath, BA Hons, RSHom 15 years' experience. Clinics in East Pennard and Wells, 01749 890636, fionna@fionnaroberts.co.uk, www.fionnaroberts.co.uk

New Pilates Class. Croscombe Village Hall. Tuesday mornings 9.30am-10.30am. All welcome - improves flexibility, strength and balance. £7.50 per class - First class free Contact: Clare Jevons on 01761 233466 / 07782 268252. Email: clare@somerpilates.co.uk

Holiday let, Stallance, West Looe, Cornwall. ¾ bedrooms, 3 baths, 100m from sea, fantastic views to Looe Island. Ample car parking. Contact Peter and Veryan Graham, The George Inn, 342306 www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk

Logs: Quality seasoned hardwood logs in dumpy bags or nets. Also kindling available. Dunns Logs. 678656 or 07703 062048

Daniel's garden maintenance. Lawns cut, seeded, turfed Hedges cut Garden clearance Patio-laying Jet-washing Fencing plus fence painting Weeding Call Daniel 01749 672832 or 07936583986

M.J. Bolsover Quality Painting and Decorating. Fully insured. 938718 or 07871 901342.

Rise and Shine: Maintenance and Window Cleaning, Dave 675636.

Wells City Aerials: PV and satellite installation, 675636.

Daniel's property maintenance Roof repairs. Gutters cleaned, repaired and renewed Interior and exterior painting and much more. Call Reg 01749 672832 mob 07518116140

RP Electrical Solutions: Local electrician. Free, no obligation quotes. Great service guaranteed. Call 01749 572311 or 07969 345726 www.rpelectricalsolutions.co.uk

Give your garden a treat. 2 year old well-rotted horse manure sold by sack or load. 100% organic. Contact 01749 890582.

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

Harris Stephens Design, for all your upholstery, loose cover and curtain requirements. Please contact Maggie on: 939963 or 07717 496804 or email jo.harris31@btinternet.com

Mick Rogers - Crocombe Handyman and Carpenter. I will tackle anything from painting a door to making shelves - no job too small! Call me on 572875 or email mick2591@outlook.com for a quote or to discuss the job.

Pomegranate Kitchen. Supper Clubs in Crocombe. Private and event catering. Visit www.pomegranatekitchen.org or call 346742

New Tai Chi Class for health and vitality, Pilton Village Hall. Every Tuesday 9.30 - 10.30am, Any age or ability (over 16 - no upper limit!) Drop in, no need to book, £5 pay when you come. www.taichi24.co.uk

Scottish Country Dancing Tuesdays 7.30 to 9.30pm Dinder Village Hall. For details call 01749 346243

Tai Chi for Health class starts in September, Dinder Village Hall, every Tuesday 10.00-11.00am an easy Tai Chi suitable for all. So please come along, no booking, donation £3/week www.taichiforhealth.org.uk

Pilates Class. Crocombe Village Hall. Tuesday mornings 9.30am-10.30am. All welcome - improves flexibility, strength and balance. £7.50 per class - First class free Contact: Clare Jevons on 01761 233466 / 07782 268252. Email: clare@somerpilates.co.uk

We have a modern looking **PIANO to GIVE AWAY.** Perfect pitch but not perfect condition. Ideal for a beginner. Transport can be arranged. Can be viewed at the Chapel. Contact Philip Eavis (890468).

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN PLAYING BADMINTON?

We are looking for new players starting in October. Thursday evenings, from 7.00pm at West Pennard Hall. Please contact Gill Eavis (890468).

Pilton Working Men's Club and Village Hall THE DECADE DOLLS

Singing hits from the 60's, 70's and 80's

Saturday September 30th

With Supper 7.00 for 7.30pm start

Tickets £15.00 per person

Tickets purchased in advance from PWWC 890162

ADVANCE NOTICE

14th October Dinder Village Hall 10am - 4pm

SALE OF PRE-LOVED ITEMS & BRIC-A-BRAC

furniture - pictures - kitchenalia - ornaments - glass - china
general household and garden items

Tea and coffee available

WHAT'S ON IN DINDER AND DULCOTE

September

1 st	Friday Bar, Village Hall	7.30pm
2 nd	Dulcote & Dinder Flower Show, Village Hall [see separate notice]	2.30pm
17 th	Dinder & Dulcote Sunday Club, Village Hall	10.45am
17 th	Sunday Bar, Village Hall <i>Meet for a friendly chat and a drink with neighbours</i>	12 noon
24 th	Harvest Festival, Dinder Church <i>Come and see the amazing decoration of the church</i>	11.00am
29 th	Village Hall Lunch [booking only]	12.30pm

Every Friday:

Coffee morning in the Village Hall - all welcome 11.00am - 12.30
(except when there is a Dinder Village lunch)



DULCOTE & DINDER FLOWER & PRODUCE SHOW DINDER VILLAGE HALL SATURDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER 2.30PM

Entry forms have been circulated and a splendid show is expected. A wide variety of classes including flowers, vegetables, fruit, cakes, jams, bread, biscuits, wine, needlecraft, painting, drawing, handicraft, photography - and a junior section.

Completed entry forms should be sent to the Show Secretary, Ros Comer, Waitangi House, Dinder by 6.00pm on Thursday 31st August.

Entry for all classes is free and the Village Hall will be open from 8.45am. Exhibits must be staged by 10.15am on the Show morning.

Show opens at 2.30pm

Admission £1.50 adults / 50p children / 2+2 family £3.50.

Raffle and the famous Dinder teas.

There will be a fast and furious auction of produce at the end of the show!

DINDER and CROSCOMBE CRICKET CLUB

September fixtures

September 3 rd	Chapel Allerton	Away	2.00pm
September 10 th	Frome Incidentals	Home	2.00pm
September 17 th	Pilton	Home	2.00pm

DINDER and DULCOTE SUNDAY CLUB

We hope you have had a super summer and a great start to the new term! We look forward to seeing you on Sunday 17th September.

Dinder Sunday Club is open to children from birth to 11 years and meets on the third Sunday of each month in Dinder Village Hall from 10.45am. We then join the service in the church and finish at 12pm. For further information please contact Becky Gilbert 676739.

DINDER VILLAGE HALL LUNCH

Our next lunch will be on **Friday 29th September**. As always, there will be a wide choice of delicious home-cooked main courses and desserts, all for £5.50. Drinks are bought separately at the bar. Please pre-book by phoning either: Margaret Bancroft (674943) or Jill Gibbons (689112). Please pay when you arrive. Doors open at 12.30pm and we start serving at 12.45pm. We look forward to seeing you all. Early booking to assist with menu planning would be appreciated.

HISTORY OF ART 'The Bigger Picture'

An introductory lecture by Joanna Cobb, MA.

Monday 11th September, 7.30-9.30 pm. Dinder Village Hall. Joanna is an independent art historian and retired history teacher based in Glastonbury. She has already established large and enthusiastic U3A groups locally. This evening lecture will introduce her approach, which aims to broaden and enrich the experience of the viewer by locating works of art firmly within their cultural and historical contexts, thus revealing 'The Bigger Picture'. Carefully selected artworks will be accompanied by extracts from contemporary music and literature. No experience necessary.

Further and follow-up lectures are planned.

Cost £8 or £15 for a couple, including refreshments and information sheets, in advance or on the door. For more information contact Joanna on 01458 832178 or ericjoanna@waitrose.com

PILTON PARISH COUNCIL

When using public spaces please ensure all litter is taken with you. This includes dog mess.

In order to keep drains and gullies clear, homeowners are asked to pick up hedge cuttings and leaves etc. to prevent blockages.

Your feedback regarding this year's Festival is required, please email the Parish Clerk with your thoughts.

Councillor Bowler has resigned from the Parish Council. The Parish Council expresses their thanks to Steve for his good humour and hard work; he will be greatly missed.

If you would like to apply to be a Councillor please notify the Clerk and she will send you an application form.

Karen Buckley Pilton Parish Clerk piltonparishclerk@yahoo.com

CROSCOMBE VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held their Annual General Meeting on 27th July. This was well attended by 39 people including the committee and members of the public. There was a new election of officers as Nick Fowler (Chairman) and Mike Hay (Vice-Chairman) had resigned. The committee are extremely grateful for all their hard work and commitment that they had shown over many years. Sheila Wilkins is now Chairman with Mike Dowell as Vice-Chairman and the new Secretary is Terry McCarthy. Continuing as Treasurer is Lisa Western. Hilary Shergold led a discussion regarding a request to the CVH committee from the Morgan family who are landowners of land behind Honeymead and Hay Hill, to gain access to their land via the Village Hall. A unanimous vote against this proposal was cast.

100 CLUB results: June £100 C Jackson, £25 J Hodge, £15 V McRobbie. **July:** £25 H Cain, £15 M Worsdell. *Sheila Wilkins*

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FOSSEWAY GARDENING CLUB

Tuesday 12th September – 7.30pm

Introduction to Arts and Crafts and Edwardian Gardens

Marion Dale

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

Details from Barbara Cary (860438) or Janet Fulford (331306)



CROSCOMBE W.I.

We ladies, smart, coiffed and discreetly made-up, welcomed to our August meeting Dr. Karen Sted-Dexter who spoke about toxic cosmetics. Well, we had no idea how badly this was going to go! Clutching the bottles of shampoo and jars of moisturiser that we had been advised to bring we were presented with a list of ten of the most toxic manmade chemicals commonly found in the 'beauty business'. Squinting closely we discovered a shocking number on our precious potions. (Those most expensive have their ingredients on the box so as not to sully the jewel-like jars). We learnt that these everyday items, used daily to clean, moisturise and titivate our skin, can build up in tissues and organs and do great harm. So, we will take our toxic lists with us when we shop. We will search out the manufacturers who create truly natural products. We will make sure to mark our lipsticks, eye-shadows and unguents to make sure not to use them when the best-after-opening time has elapsed, (when the chemical bonds start to break down). We may even take to pinching our cheeks, nibbling our lips and rolling in dewy grass!

Alison Bassett

PILTON VILLAGE W.I. At our July meeting Tim Crumplin, who works for The Alfred Gillett Trust, a trust set up by the Clark Family explained that the Clarks were Quakers, who believed in social justice, tolerance, temperance and sobriety. Cyrus Clark built the first factory in 1829 to make rugs. His brother James became his apprentice and supplemented his income by making shoes known as 'Brown Peters' from off-cuts. In 1833 James bought a part share of the business, and the name C & J Clark became known. Business thrived in the 1830's but by the 1860's creditors were losing their confidence. Sadly, Cyrus died in 1866 due to illness brought on by stress. Fortunately, James' son, William Stephens Clark, helped to rescue the business. He disapproved of "out working" and as a result he introduced mechanisation in the form of the Singer sewing machine. In 1903 his daughter Alice was appointed a Director. She was very influential in the business. Business changed and the first non-family Director, John Walker Bostock, was brought in. He helped to launch the Infant Shoe range. Factory closures began in 1978 with the last one in 2005. On a positive note, Clarks recently announced that they will be making shoes again in Street. Many members are familiar with the Clark family and were interested to hear about this piece of local history.

Jane Marchant

CROSCOMBE SENIOR CITIZENS' CLUB

We struck it lucky in July because we not only had a quiz to tease and entertain us, but a talk as well.

Mary Cadogan, who recently moved into Croscombe, is a fabulous cook (her cakes are to die for) and she has written books and worked for years as a cookery editor for various glossy magazines.

Now I know why my efforts look nothing like the pictures they show – they actually daub their roast beef with a mix of gravy browning and washing-up liquid to make it look succulent, and the double-decker sandwiches you see are padded out with cardboard to make them fuller. Mary runs cookery classes now in her kitchen at her house in Poundfold.

Over tea and biscuits the ladies had a good rummage through her books, which cover a whole range of subjects.

Another happy afternoon.

Barbara Lippett

PILTON HAPPY CIRCLE

John Dando shared his affection for the Somerset privy as he took us 'Down the Garden Path'. We learned about toilet history from the Roman communal convenience to the modern water closet. He also reminded us that not everyone has flushing facilities even now. Members enjoyed John's talk so much that he is already a definite for next year's programme.

We were highly entertained by Mickey Fitzpatrick's monologues. What fun and laughter she gave us as she told us how to prepare for our holidays and what to wear. 'Twas on the Monday morning when the gas man came to call' had both members and visitors in stitches; what a delightful lady!

Our summer tea this year was hosted by Sheila and George West. We had a lovely afternoon, the weather was kind, the tea was delicious and we were able to walk around the garden and even try the plums! Thank you, Sheila and George, and Well Done to everyone, it was a super summer celebration.

Liz Elkin

THE GLASTONBURY FESTIVAL FUN RIDE

3 miles and 10-12 miles

Sunday 24th September 2017 for horse riders and cyclists

in aid of the Mendip Bridleways and Byways Association

For further details or if you would like to take part in the Glastonbury Festival site ride please visit the MBBA website www.mbba.org.uk or telephone Mrs. V. Jones 01749 831 276.

WEST PENNARD PRIMARY SCHOOL

A message from Mrs Burchell

After over twenty-six years at West Pennard Primary School, I said goodbye to the children, staff, parents and governors as I embarked on my own early retirement. It has been a privilege to be a part of such a wonderful school community and the school will always hold a special place in my heart. I know that the school will continue to thrive under the leadership of the incoming Headteacher, Miss Jo Hale, and that the other new faces joining the school in the new academic year will be made very welcome. I wish them well.

I would also like to thank the village communities for their support during my time as Headteacher.

With kindest regards *Helen Burchell* Headteacher

CROSCOMBE CEVA PRIMARY SCHOOL

We are looking forward to new children and new members of staff joining our school at the beginning of this school year. We send our best wishes to the children moving on to Secondary education as they reach the next stage in their lives. Our building has also seen some new developments which will give more space for Chestnuts' class. There will be a special fundraising event for this extension on the evening of 28th September. More details of the event and how to buy tickets are available from the School Office (344826).

Steve Heath, Headteacher

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Our opening hours are flexible, because we have different trainers with different skills on different levels on different days, and need to work round the times when the hall is available.

Appointments are essential and cost £20 for a two-hour session.

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PILTON METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES

3rd September Gwyneth Phillips 11.00am

10th September Neil Shearn 11.00am

17th September United Harvest Service 11.00am

Rev, Derek Hills

24th September Tony Stevenson

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

Holy Communion in North Wootton Church

at 11.00am on Tuesdays

Morning Prayer in Pilton Church

at 9.00am on Wednesdays

PARISH CHURCH SERVICES

SEPTEMBER 2017

3rd September Trinity 12

9.30am	Holy Communion	Dinder
11.00am	Morning Service	Croscombe
11.00am	Holy Communion	North Wootton
6.30pm	Pilton Show Service	Pilton

10th September Trinity 13

9.30am	Holy Communion	Pilton
11.00am	Holy Communion	Croscombe
11.00am	Family Service	North Wootton
6.30pm	Evensong	Dinder

17th September Trinity 14

9.30am	Holy Communion	North Wootton
11.00am	United Harvest Service at the Chapel	Pilton
11.00am	Harvest Service	Croscombe
11.00am	Holy Communion	Dinder

24th September Trinity 15

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

1st October Trinity 16

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