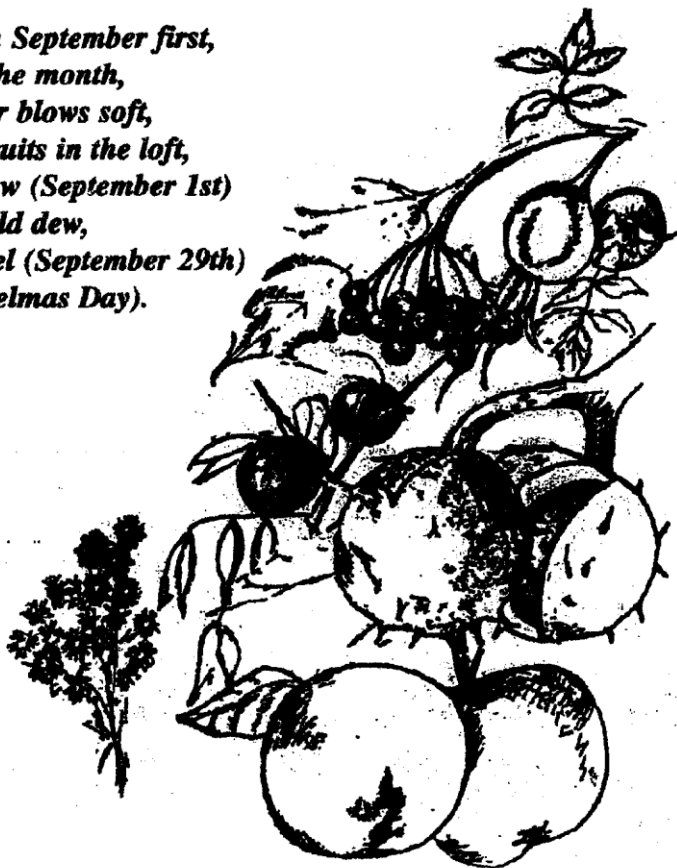


**THE**  
**ROUNDAABOUT**  
**CHURCH AND COMMUNITY MAGAZINE**

*"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 2015**

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

*All phone codes 01749 unless specified*

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## **ENQUIRIES ABOUT MATERIAL FOR ROUNDABOUT**

**Roundabout email address:** [magazine@roundaboutnews.org.uk](mailto: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](mailto: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 (342919) 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 21<sup>st</sup> SEPTEMBER 9.00am**

## TIME OUT

When you are reading this many people will have come back from summer holidays and I hope you have all had time for some real recreation. All of us need that time out, whether it is getting away on holiday or just taking a cup of tea (or something stronger) into the garden and sitting for 5 minutes.

My favourite place to get away from it all is sitting on a beach. There was a recent survey by the National Trust that made the news: 20% fewer people were visiting our coast than used to. The reasons given were being too busy and overcrowded beaches. The survey also stated that 18-24 year olds are least connected to the coast (although the surfing beaches of Devon and Cornwall may disagree).

My childhood was full of days out by the sea or days nagging my dad to take us there, but I have to admit I spend far less time at the coast now than I would like. It would help if it was a bit nearer.

Now the sea and coastline are not going to fade away from underuse but that doesn't mean it is a shame that people feel they are too busy to visit. The paradox is the busier we get, the more we need to withdraw at some point, catch our breath and refocus, otherwise we are in danger of colluding with the modern disease of being too busy and our working hours becoming a competition.

One of my solutions is my dog Leah. Although often I would rather not go out for a walk she forces me to stop and go out; it's amazing when I let my brain focus on something else how often the answers to the questions that have been troubling me come to the fore. I wonder if you have similar experiences. An old solution for some is the shed or garage, a place to go to get some time out, it's now been reinvented as the man shed (also available as women sheds).

In my experience it is like that when we think about spending time with God. The more we have to do the more we need to make ourselves put some time aside just to be with God.

There is the famous story of Suzanna Wesley who was a busy mum with many children - when she wanted space she sat in her favourite chair and put her apron over her head and the family knew to leave her alone.

We are very fortunate here that people are willing to open our churches each day for a place you can find 5 minutes of peace amidst the chaotic lives many of us lead. So if you are feeling that there is too much to do and too little time to do it, take some time out even if it appears impossible, maybe that is just the break you need to recreate yourself.

*Rev. Chris*



### **The First Day Café**

If your child is starting school for the very first time this September, you are invited to take some time out for yourself at the 'First Day Café' in the Church Room behind Croscombe Parish Church.

The 'First Day Café' will be open from 9am on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September.

**You can be sure of a warm welcome!**

For more information please phone Sandra on 342221

### **YOS**

We hope you have all had a super Summer Holiday and all the best for the new term, particularly our members who are beginning new schools. In September our first meeting will be on Sunday September 13<sup>th</sup> which will be a trip to Ask restaurant in Wells. We have emailed details to current members, but if there are any new members keen to join, please contact Becky or Sandra before September 4<sup>th</sup>!

YOS is open to children of all parishes in year 6 upwards. For further information please contact Sandra Kirkham 342221 or Becky Gilbert 676739

We look forward to seeing you all in September.



### **MESSY CHURCH CELEBRATES HARVEST**

Come and join us on **Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September** at **3.00pm** onwards in North Wootton Village Hall. We hope children from all the parishes will come and see what fun we have.

Celebrate Harvest – discover where our food comes from and give thanks to all those who provide it for us. Help prepare your tea and enjoy eating together. Enjoy getting messy and playing games.

All ages are welcome; children bring Mummy or Daddy, Grandma or your friends. A nominal charge of £1 per child towards the cost of tea.



## HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICES

We are fortunate in these parishes that we have the basics of life . . . access to clean water and sufficient food . . . so we tend to accept this as being “the norm”. However, many people are not so fortunate, and Harvest Thanksgiving Services are times to reflect on this situation, to give thanks to God and to remember all those involved in food production and the supply of drinking water.

Each church has a Harvest Thanksgiving Service, when the churches will be beautifully decorated. Whether you often come to church or not, you are most welcome to come to one of the services.

### The Harvest Services are:

Pilton Methodist Church	Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	11.00am
Croscombe Parish Church	Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	11.00am
North Wootton Church	Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	11.00am
Dinder Church	Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	11.00am
Pilton Parish Church	Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> October	11.00am

## HARVEST CELEBRATIONS AT PILTON

On **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September** Harvest Celebrations at the **Methodist Church** will begin 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, 19<sup>th</sup> September, and during the service.**

We would be very grateful to receive gifts for the Harvest Service on **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October** at 11.00am at **The Parish Church** and would appreciate tins or packeted goods to give to the Bristol Centre and the Salvation Army. We hope that there will be lots of donations to support the valuable work of these two groups. Gifts can be left in the church before 11.00am on **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October** or brought to the service.



## PILTON HARVEST LUNCH

SUNDAY 4<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER

At 12.30pm

At PILTON WORKING MEN'S CLUB  
AND VILLAGE HALL

Adults £8, Primary-aged children £4

Tickets are available from Gill Eavis 890468, Hilary Austin (890561)  
or Eileen Govier (890436).

## **PRAYER FOCUS**

We pray for everyone making a new start: for children starting pre-school and school, for those moving to Secondary education and further education and for people starting new jobs. Our new Bishop of Taunton, Ruth Worsley, will be consecrated at St Paul's Cathedral on September 29<sup>th</sup> and we pray for her as she joins us in this Diocese.

## **BIBLE READINGS**

6<sup>th</sup> September James 2: 1-10, 14-17 Mark 7: 24 - end  
13<sup>th</sup> September James 3: 1-12 Mark 8: 27 - end  
20<sup>th</sup> September James 3: 13 - 4:3, 7-8a Mark 9: 30 - 37  
27<sup>th</sup> September James 5: 13 – end Mark 9: 38 – end  
There will be separate readings for Harvest Services.

## **FRIENDS of ST MARY'S CROSCOMBE**

*'Friday Night is Music Night'*

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September 7.30 pm in Croscombe Church Room**

Every couple of months or so a small group gather to listen to a programme of music chosen by Terry McCarthy. The music varies from Big Band Swing to Bach Cantatas. The whole evening is very relaxed and enjoyable and we also leave having learnt something. Do come and join us. This time the evening features two orchestral works by Elgar - Concert Overture 'In the South (Alassio)' and Symphony No 1. Programme notes are supplied and wine and tea/coffee and nibbles are served after the music, which will last about an hour.

Tickets are available from the Churchwardens (345405 or 345222) and are free to Friends, £3 to others.

**The Choir**...8<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30 pm at Pilton Methodist Church

A reminder of the date for the next meeting. Lots of news, plans for the winter, and the proposed name to be revealed!! Welcome to all, especially new members male and female. Come and croak with us!! (If you can sing...all the better!!)

## **PILTON CHURCHES WORKING TOGETHER**

On behalf of our two Village Churches I would like to thank everyone who supported the Cream Teas etc. held at Benleigh House on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July on a very wet afternoon.

£500 was raised, thanks to all those who made this possible.

*Gill Eavis*

## RE-IMAGINING CHURCH

*“Our world and our lives change at an ever faster pace, but how does the church respond to this change? Are new ways of being church possible? If so, what might they look like?”*

*The Mission-shaped introductory course helps people to reconnect with the communities they are called to serve and to re-imagine the forms of church that are needed for the 21<sup>st</sup> century. It takes you on a creative and reflective journey looking at the need for new ways of being church.”*

We will be running this course in our benefice for **6 weeks** starting mid/late September.

If this is something you would be interested in attending, please let Chris Butler know as soon as possible. The course is likely to be on an evening or Saturday morning and we will agree the dates and venues once we know who is interested in attending.

Chris Butler, 899061 [butlerchristine19@gmail.com](mailto:butlerchristine19@gmail.com)

## PRAYER and a PINT

**The next meeting will be on MONDAY 14<sup>th</sup> September  
at Crossways Inn, North Wootton at 8pm**

Prayer and a Pint is an opportunity for discussion/learning in a relaxed atmosphere every 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday each month and anyone is very welcome to come and join in.

We will probably be in the ‘blue room’ but ask at the bar and they will direct you if you can’t spot us.

For further details or information please contact

Revd Chris Butler 899061 [butlerchristine19@gmail.com](mailto:butlerchristine19@gmail.com)

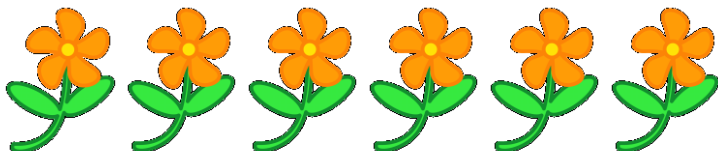


**Traidcraft - Open House** on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September from 10.00am until 9.00pm at Anthony and Hilary Austin’s, The Brambles, Pilton (890561).

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.

*Hilary Austin*



## **DULCOTE AND DINDER FLOWER SHOW**

Dinder Village Hall

**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September**

Doors open at 2.30pm.

Scrumptious teas, a beautiful show and people to meet.

Lots of classes to enter and you don't have to be an expert!

Show schedules are given out in Dulcote and Dinder or can be found in the Village Hall or the Church.

Phone Ros Comer 679468 if you have difficulty getting one.

Visitors from outside the villages are welcome to compete for the Visitors' Trophy.

We need lots of entries this year!

Come and have lots of fun.



## **DINDER HARVEST FROLIC BARN DANCE**

featuring 'Scallywag Folk Band'

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September**

at Dinder Village Hall.

6.30pm start with Harvest Supper at 7.00pm  
followed by dancing!

Children and families warmly welcome.

Tickets, £10 per adult, £5 per child (aged 4 and upwards, children under 4 eat free!).

There will be a cash bar.

Please contact Margaret Bancroft (674943) or Jill Gibbons (689112) to book tickets and advise if you have any dietary requirements or you are vegetarian.

Due to the popularity of this event, tickets will need to be paid for in advance.





## **PILTON SHOW WEEKEND 5th & 6th SEPTEMBER**

On PILTON PLAYING FIELD

Show details are on posters around Pilton and [www.piltonvillage.co.uk](http://www.piltonvillage.co.uk) and programmes (containing paper entry forms) on sale now at the Post Office, the Crown and the Club.

Flower Show entries information plus downloadable and printable forms are on [www.piltonflowershow.org.uk/index.html](http://www.piltonflowershow.org.uk/index.html) please click on '2015 entry'. These are accepted in the marquee from 8.30-10.45 am on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup>: Please bring your entries, completed forms, cards and fees, and stewards will help you. Lots of classes and categories, so something for everyone from under-5s upwards!

### **On Saturday, Flower Show and Fete from 2-5 pm,**

no main attraction this year, but more Children's Sports, and the Bollywood Bellydancers will be performing and Bristol Zoo will bring some of their smaller invertebrates for small people to see close-up. These are sensitive to weather conditions, so pray for warm sunshine!

### **Evening Barn Dance 7.00 – 11.00pm**

Music from acclaimed band Rapsallion (tickets from the above and Gail Milne 890670) Hog Roast at extra cost but BYO salads if wished (food served only between 7.30 – 9.30 pm).

### **On Sunday, a fun cricket match and Tug o' War,**

with music from Shepton Big Band, will be followed by the traditional Church service at 6.30pm, on the theme of 'looking forward'.

## **CROSCOMBE VILLAGE ORCHESTRA**

The Orchestra is putting on a special fund-raising concert for the Village Hall extension on Saturday September 26<sup>th</sup> at 7.00pm in the Village Hall. We are being joined by **The Village Folk Group**, which is part of the Brue Boys choir in Castle Cary. The orchestra's programme ranges from Mozart's overture 'Cosi Fan Tutte' to a selection from 'The Sound of Music'.

Village Folk take the second half of the concert, singing all manner of folk songs. This is a concert for everyone to have a good time and raise lots of money for the Village Hall.

There will be refreshments as usual. Entry programmes at the door.  
Prices: Adults £8.00 Under 14s £2.00

*Jo Sackett, Secretary*

## 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.

### Baptisms

We welcome **Amelia Beatrice Dunn** baptised in St Michael and All Angels Church, Dinder on 26<sup>th</sup> July and

**Ella Poppy Penn** baptised in St John the Baptist's Church, Pilton on 2<sup>nd</sup> August.

### Funerals

The funeral service of **Betty Stafford** was held in Pilton Church on 5<sup>th</sup> August.

We are sad to record the death of **Brian Whatford** of Pilton.

We send our loving sympathy to all those who have lost a family member or friend recently.

**Don Cobb**, who was a member of Pilton Tower for several years, died on 14<sup>th</sup> July. Don was an excellent ringer and will be much missed in the ringing world. His funeral was held on 30<sup>th</sup> July at East Pennard Church. Many ringers attended and a quarter peal was rung on the bells there in his memory. Our condolences to Kate and family.

*Jean Skidmore*



My sons, Jamie and Dan, and I would like to thank everyone for the many cards and kind words sent to us after the passing away of Tony. He will be very sadly missed. *Helen Cox (Croscombe)*

We are very grateful for donations received recently from individual readers and friends and from Pilton Players towards the production of Roundabout.

**CROSCOMBE AUTUMN CHARTER MARKET**  
**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September, 10-12, The Village Hall**

Homebaked goods and local produce, assorted crafts, cards, plants  
Vintage lighting, jewellery and books, refreshments.

Please join us and help support our fundraising for  
Croscombe Village Hall Refurbishment Fund.

We look forward to seeing you.

*Elaine Watson (Market Co-ordinator)*

**THE CROSCOMBE SOCIETY's** enthusiastic committee has been busy this year devising some entertaining evenings (and a day) for all to enjoy; by the time you read this, hopefully the sun will have done its best for our Hidden Gardens day on 23<sup>rd</sup> August.

On **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September** we are delighted that Keith Armstrong will be leading his popular **Village Walk** around Croscombe, during which we may hear about a rampaging elephant, a hidden graveyard, a village uprising and more curious facts. We will be meeting up at 6 o'clock in the Village Hall Car Park. We are not charging for the Walk but invite donations to Keith's chosen charity, Cancer Research UK.

Later that week on **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September** all are welcome at the Village Hall at 7.30 to enjoy the annual **Somerset Evening**. Grab a drink from the bar before tackling Keith's fiendish Somerset Quiz, and then sit back to be entertained by a humbly-attired maiden from Glastonbury Abbey telling us of her life as a 16th century kitchen maid. We even provide your supper - a ploughman's followed by an array of home-made puddings served with cream. All this for the bargain price of £6.50 to Members, otherwise £7.50. All profits made will go to the Croscombe Village Hall Fund.

It does help on the catering front if you are able to ring 343502 to book!

**MOVIOLA in Croscombe Village Hall**  
**'A Little Chaos' - Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> September**

Directed by Alan Rickman, this period drama stars Kate Winslet as 'a strong-willed landscape designer who challenges sexual and class barriers when she is chosen to build one of the main gardens at King Louis XIV's new palace at Versailles, causing her to become professionally and romantically entangled with the court's renowned landscape architect André Le Notre. ([www.bbc.co.uk/bbcfilms](http://www.bbc.co.uk/bbcfilms))

Tickets: £6, available at the Door / Croscombe Village Stores

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

*Christine Walker and Michael Hay*

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

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

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September** – Evening Bar Meals

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September** – Carvery Lunch (890162)

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September** - Light Lunches.

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September** – Steak Night (890162)

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September** – Carvery Lunch (890162)

Date for the Diary:

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October** – Yeovil Town Band. Tickets £7.00 or £100.00 to include a Ploughman's Supper

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

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

**Take Out Meals** – available most nights, please ring

**Every Saturday** – Free bottle of wine or equivalent with every two juicy Char-grilled steaks ordered

**Sunday Roasts** – not carvery (school dinners!)

We serve you, if you want more just ask.

Main course £8.00, with pud £12.00

**Thai Buffet Night** – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September £15.00

Reservations only

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

**Every Wednesday** – Steak Night

Pizza Nights - Curry Nights

Sunday Carvery

**Opening Hours** Monday – Thursday 12noon – 3pm, 6 – 11pm

Friday 12noon – 3pm, 5pm – 12am

Saturday 12pm – 12am

Sunday 12noon – 11pm – food served all day on Sundays

Further details on our website [www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk](http://www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk)

## 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

**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 sea, fantastic views to Looe Island. Ample car parking. Contact Peter and Vervan Graham, The George Inn, 342306 [www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk](http://www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk)

**Fionna Roberts PCH; Classical Homeopath,** BA Hons, RSHom 15 years experience. Clinics in East Pennard & Wells, 01749 890636, [fionna@fionnaroberts.co.uk](mailto:fionna@fionnaroberts.co.uk), [www.fionnaroberts.co.uk](http://www.fionnaroberts.co.uk)

**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

**Dog Walking and Pet Sitting** 07709 739508. Please visit website for details [www.premierpetcarers.co.uk](http://www.premierpetcarers.co.uk)

**Weekly ironing help available in Croscombe/Dinder area.** Collected or in your own home. Excellent references and very reliable. Call 01749 860638 to discuss.

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

**Adult piano tuition;** it's never too late to learn the piano! Just £14 per lesson. Gentle, patient and encouraging guidance guaranteed! Emma Wheat 670266 or email [ewheattuition@gmail.com](mailto:ewheattuition@gmail.com) for further details.

**Holiday Cottage,** Centre of Wells, 1 Bed, 1 Bath, Sleeps 2. Dogs welcome. Contact Geraldine on 07799312373 Or [890104.geraldine.hoy@live.co.uk](mailto:890104.geraldine.hoy@live.co.uk)

**Bollywood and Bellydance Class.** Pilton Working Men's Club, Mondays. Combined classes 6.00 – 7.30pm. all ages and fitness levels. New term starts Sept 21<sup>st</sup>. Contact Raheesha 01373 461973 or [desertdivas@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:desertdivas@hotmail.co.uk) .

**Vintage crockery and Tablecloths** for hire. Sarah Bolton 343682

**NADFAS 17<sup>th</sup> October 6.30pm, Brue Boys Choir Concert, two-course** supper £20, bar. Batcombe Village Hall. Contact A Biddle 01749 850 307

**Patchwork Display at Martock Church 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> September 10.00am – 4.00pm,** Quilts by Stanchester and Ash Quilters. Free admission. Profits to local charities.

## WHAT'S ON IN CROSCOMBE

### September

7 <sup>th</sup>	First Day Cafe. Church Room	9.00am – 12 noon
9 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Meeting. Church Room	7.30pm
12 <sup>th</sup>	Autumn Charter Market. Village Hall	10.00am – 12 noon
14 <sup>th</sup>	Croscombe Society Village Walk. Car Park	6.00pm
15 <sup>th</sup>	WI Meeting. SDA Hall Speaker from Prickles Hedgehog Rescue	2.00pm
16 <sup>th</sup>	Poetry Group. Mill Mead, Long Street (Details from Joy Harvey, 939074)	3.30pm
17 <sup>th</sup>	Senior Citizens' Club. SDA Hall Speaker from Marie Curie Cancer Care	2.15pm
17 <sup>th</sup>	Somerset Evening. Village Hall	7.30pm
19 <sup>th</sup>	Harvest Auction. The George Inn	8.00pm
20 <sup>th</sup>	Harvest Thanksgiving Service. St Mary's Church	11.00am
23 <sup>rd</sup>	WI Scrabble. (Details from Helen Cox, 343642)	
24 <sup>th</sup>	Moviola Film Night. "A Little Chaos" Village Hall	7.00pm for 7.30pm
25 <sup>th</sup>	Friday Night is Music Night. Church Room	7.30pm
26 <sup>th</sup>	Concert by the Village Orchestra and The Village Folk Group. Village Hall	7.00pm
27 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday Club. Church Room	11.00am



### ST MARY'S, CROSCOMBE: HARVEST FESTIVAL

Our Harvest Thanksgiving Service this year is at 11 am on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September. Gifts of foodstuff and produce to help decorate the church will be gratefully received **before 10.30 am on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September.**

If it is more convenient, non-perishables can be left in Church earlier in the week or given to the churchwardens. The goods will be delivered to Grace Harris House in Shepton Mallet the following week. They are always very grateful for our yearly gift.

*The Churchwardens.*

**CROSCOMBE OAP & CHILDREN'S FUND** will be holding their **HARVEST AUCTION** on **SATURDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER** in The George Inn at 8pm. Contact Alison on 345322.

### Moviola Autumn Season Programme:

29<sup>th</sup> October: Woman in Gold      26<sup>th</sup> November: London Road  
10<sup>th</sup> December: Cinderella

## WHAT'S ON IN PILTON

### September

2 <sup>nd</sup> Happy Circle 'Festival Policing inside the Fence' PWMC	2.00pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall	7.30pm
5 <sup>th</sup> 6 <sup>th</sup> Pilton Show Weekend, Playing Fields	
7 <sup>th</sup> History Group, The History of Shoe-making, Village Hall	7.30pm
8 <sup>th</sup> 'The Choir', Methodist Church	7.30pm
16 <sup>th</sup> Happy Circle Trip to Dean Forest Railway	
18 <sup>th</sup> Charity Quiz, Village Hall	7.30pm
19 <sup>th</sup> Ramblers, Village Hall Car Park	11.30am
20 <sup>th</sup> Harvest Service, Pilton Methodist Church	11.00am
21 <sup>st</sup> W.I., Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance, Village Hall	7.30pm
25 <sup>th</sup> Traidcraft Open Day, The Brambles, Barrow Lane	10.00am–9.00pm
30 <sup>th</sup> Happy Circle, Chair Yoga, PWMC	2.00pm
30 <sup>th</sup> PCC Meeting, Parish Church	7.30pm

### October

4 <sup>th</sup> Harvest Service, Parish Church followed by Harvest Lunch, PWMC (see details)	11.00am
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**PILTON RAMBLERS** would be pleased to have your company on their September walk - a little further afield and a little longer, requiring an earlier start (**11.30 am at the Village Hall Car Park - for car sharing - Saturday**

**19 September**) with a stop part-way round to relax and 'recharge the batteries' at a pub for lunch. The seven mile circuit will start and finish in Bradford-on-Avon and will include two rivers, a canal, an aqueduct, a castle, a country mansion and some lovely, rolling countryside.

**Pilton Village History Group** Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 7.30pm in Village Hall, Dr Tim Crumplin of Clarks will be giving a talk on the history of shoe making in Street.

### Charity Quiz Nights

**Friday September 18<sup>th</sup>** 7.30pm Start. At the Village Hall.

In aid of the Air Ambulance

£3 per head to include a light ploughman's supper

Two more are planned for 23<sup>rd</sup> October & 20<sup>th</sup> November.

Details from Wendy Lynn

## WHAT'S ON IN DINDER AND DULCOTE

### September

4 <sup>th</sup> First Friday Bar in the Village Hall	all welcome	7.30pm
5 <sup>th</sup> Dinder & Dulcote Flower Show	doors open	2.30pm
13 <sup>th</sup> Outdoor Service & Tea in the Old Rectory Garden		4.00pm
14 <sup>th</sup> Dinder Village Hall Committee AGM		7.30pm
20 <sup>th</sup> Third Sunday Bar in the Village Hall		from 12 noon
Everyone welcome to come and meet for drinks and conversation		
21 <sup>st</sup> St Cuthbert (Out) Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall		7.00pm
26 <sup>th</sup> Harvest Frolic Barn Dance (see separate notice)		6.30pm
27 <sup>th</sup> Harvest Festival Service with Choir, Dinder Church		11.00am

### October

3 <sup>rd</sup> Plant Sale, Village Hall		10am - 2pm
9 <sup>th</sup> Dinder Village Hall Lunch		12.30pm
Advance booking required - please contact Margaret Bancroft (674943) or Jill Gibbons (689112)		

### DINDER and DULCOTE SUNDAY CLUB

We hope you have all had a super Summer Holiday and all the best for the new term. We will be meeting on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September 10.45am in Dinder Village Hall. Children under 3 years need to have an adult accompany them. Children from any parish are most welcome. Please feel free to come even if you can't come every month. For further information please contact Becky Gilbert 676739.

### DINDER and CROSCOMBE CRICKET CLUB

#### September Fixtures

Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Allerton	2.00pm	Home
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Frome Incidentals	2.00pm	Home
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Chew Stoke Badgers	2.00pm	Home
New players are always welcome		<i>Roy Thorne</i>	Hon. Sec. 674378

### DINDER VILLAGE HALL LUNCH

Our next lunch will be on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October. As always, there is 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.



## PILTON PARISH COUNCIL

**Somerset Choices** – Somerset Choices has been launched by Somerset County Council. It aims to put people in control of their care and wellbeing and give them more choice when it comes to who provides their care. For more information visit [www.somersetchoices.org](http://www.somersetchoices.org) or leaflets are in the Village Hall.

**County Councillor Grant** – Your suggestions are required, as a small amount of money may be available for a worthy cause.

**Mendip District Councillor Grant** – The Parish Council will be applying once again for this Grant. The Skate Park was the result of a previous grant.

The Parish Council has requested that a representative from Avon and Somerset Constabulary attend the September Parish Council meeting to discuss speeding in the village.

Councillor Woolcombe-Adams will be submitting an application in the autumn to try to obtain funding from the Legacy Fund for a Puffin Crossing on the A361.

*Karen Buckley* Pilton Parish Clerk/RFO [Karen.buckley75@icoud.com](mailto:Karen.buckley75@icoud.com)

## NEWS FROM CROSCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

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

**Parking** – this is still a serious concern for a number of residents. It has been noted that cars are still parking badly in Church Street so that there is NO room for an emergency vehicle to pass. Please, wherever you are in Croscombe, park to allow such vehicles to have access to all areas in the village - it could be a matter of life or death.

**House size** – the Council has recently declined applications for four bedroom properties as we feel we are well served in the village for this size. A section of the Neighbourhood Plan will be devoted to the need for two bedroom starter homes and homes equipped for the elderly. Please feel free to comment on this and any other matters; we welcome constructive feedback.

After the recent wet weather the weeds are growing profusely so please continue to cut them back in the areas around your property.

**Next Meeting.** - 7.30 pm on September 9th in the Church Room. All are welcome.

*Hilary Shergold*

## **CROSCOMBE SENIOR CITIZENS**

Our July meeting began sadly with one minute's silence for a well-loved member, Tony Cox, who had died unexpectedly that week. We send our love to Helen. We also sang "Happy Birthday" to Beryl and Di, and wish them many happy returns.

The talk, "The Magic of Herbs", was given by Bett Partridge, a practising medical herbalist, whose interest in the healing power of plants was sparked at the age of six, as she mooched about after her grandfather, an apothecary (lovely word). Herbs have not only been used for healing, but to make dyes, flavour food, and cleanse the atmosphere. The history is extremely old, records of instruction in preparations existing from 2,000 B.C. The Romans introduced over 200 herbs to Britain and after they left, herbal knowledge lay largely with Christian monks who ran what were, effectively, the first hospitals. Now it is regarded as an unorthodox branch of medicine, but nevertheless the W.H.O. is conducting fieldwork among aboriginal peoples, as much traditional knowledge is being lost with the disappearance of forest habitats. It was an intriguing and strangely soothing talk.

*Barbara Lippett*

## **PILTON HAPPY CIRCLE**

Do we need to give ourselves treats? Indeed we do! You can copy our example by taking yourself and friends for lunch at Cole Manor, Bruton. Great food, lovely garden and riverside walks with trout sipping in mayfly – bliss for the angler who, years ago, used to fish the River Pit for five shillings a day! The Test in Hampshire is now £400 per day to catch 'tame' Rainbows in the company of the country's Home Counties' elite. Give me the beauty of Somerset and our own Pilton folk every time!

"Who, Where, Why and What" was Sandra and John's photo quiz. Fifty taxing questions stirred up the 'grey matter' helping to keep ageing at bay for a little longer. Molly led her team to a fine victory and kindly shared the prize all round. Told you our Pilton folk are great!

We look forward to Molly's tea party (19/8) & 'Inside the fence' (3/9) when we learn about policing the Glastonbury Festival site.

Soon we start planning next year's programme. Any ideas? We cater for 50 – 90 pluses Do you fit the bill? Come and give us a try – a hearty welcome awaits!

*John Howe*

**PILTON HAPPY CIRCLE COACH TRIP** on **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September** will visit the Dean Forest Railway. The heritage railway runs through woodland between Lydney and Parkend with 5 stations en route. A coach will leave Pilton bus shelter at 9am. If you would like to join us please phone George West for more information - 890448.

### **CROSCOMBE WI**

We do not have a regular meeting in July, we usually have our annual outing. This year we went to the National Trust property of Knightshayes, near Tiverton, Devon. Not too far to travel but a pleasant place to visit.

The weather was kind to us, not brilliant sunshine, but no rain either, good weather for walking and exploring. We were there for five hours, which was just about right, with the house, walled garden, main garden and eating places to explore.

It was not all WI members who attended, we were also accompanied by husbands and friends who kindly made up the numbers. All in all, it was an enjoyable day and everyone seemed to go home happy.

*Lyn Manvill*



**Save the Children**

**Pilton and District Save the Children** plan to hold an event in Pilton Village Hall during October, date to be announced at which Christmas cards and wrap will be on sale. However, if anybody would like these items in September, for sending abroad, do please contact Lysbeth Ballantine at 01749 676991 and they can be made available.

*Lysbeth Ballantine*

### **FOSSEWAY GARDENING CLUB**

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September - Hydrangeas** – Sally Gregson

Pylle Village Hall (The Old School on A37) – 7.30pm

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

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

**The Glastonbury Festival Fun Ride (3 miles and 10-12 miles) on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September for horse riders and cyclists in aid of the Mendip Bridleways and Byways Association.** Details next month, but meanwhile entry forms can be downloaded from mbba website [www.mbba.org.uk](http://www.mbba.org.uk) or telephone Mrs. V. Jones 831276. Volunteer stewards urgently needed; please contact Harriet Ray on 890582.

## **The Festival Run 2015**

### **Don't delay – Sign up today !**

Yes, preparations for the Run in the morning of **Sunday October 11<sup>th</sup>** are well advanced. We have decided on the routes of the three Courses (2k, 5k and 10k) over the Glastonbury Festival site; we have raised nearly £3000 in generous sponsorship from local businesses enabling us to pass as much as possible of the Runners' entry fees to the two charities – Children's Hospice South West, and Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance. We are offering medals to all finishing runners and trophies to the winners.

We have had a great response from Runners – some from last year – some new. **We would love to have a strong contingent of local runners – last year's winner was from Pilton.** And they come from Bristol, Bath, Glastonbury, Wells and many other places. Lots more information on the Festival Run page on the [www.piltonvillage.co.uk](http://www.piltonvillage.co.uk) website, and Facebook: Thefestivalrun and twitter: thefestivalrun@gmail.com

No fewer than **467 Runners** have signed up for the 5 and 10k Runs - places are filling up fast and **only 83 places remain.**

*Christopher Bond, Festival Run Organizing Committee*

### **PILTON VILLAGE HALL AND CLUB** -Things are on the move.

At a village meeting on July 19<sup>th</sup> new arrangements for running the Hall and the Club were explored. A Management Committee chaired by Andy Reilly has authority from PVMC Ltd to run the facility in line with a formal agreement with Pilton Village Trust (the custodian of the building). The Management Committee is moving forward. Pete Cheetham is the new full-time Manager. His main responsibilities include: looking after all aspects of the building; management of the bar and cellar; room bookings and room hire; supporting and promoting events. A draft Business Plan was presented by David Johnson. It identifies income targets to cover costs, which will mainly be achieved through increased bar sales. Music, food events, socials, skittles and games nights are all critical in generating these targets - the added bonus is pleasant social activities. Phil Rice covers maintenance, Andy covers entertainment, Gail Milne has agreed to give support with marketing, and Marilyn Johnson takes minutes. At present the Management Committee includes Andy, Pete, Phil and John Boyce. The directors are Brian Derrick and Michael Eavis. Our aim is for the Village Hall and Club to be an even stronger centre of village life. Your support is critical and much appreciated.

*Marilyn Johnson*

**‘In Clover’  
Plant Sale  
On Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October  
At Dinder Village Hall  
10.00 am – 2.00 pm**

End of year clearance sale with silly prices  
(£1.00 a pot) on many shrubs and perennials.  
Further details from Clare and Alec Turner (676893).

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

We will reopen from our summer break on Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> September. Our termly **Open House** sessions will be **9<sup>th</sup> September** between 1.30-3.30 and **11th September** between 10-12. Call in for a chat and a cuppa and **find out more about us** and what we do; have a look round; **chat to trainers**; book a course, workshop or **some 1:1 sessions** to help you to use a computer, iPad, Tablet, smartphone or Mac in a friendly environment. No exams, no pressure – just a volunteer sharing their individual ways of using technology. You can bring your own laptop/Tablet/iPad/smartphone, or use our machines. We can cover most topics on most computers/devices at most levels.

**Course** for September – **eBay** – **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September** 10-12 – £20 for 3 weeks – buy, sell, search for bargains.

**Workshops** for September – Introduction to **Tablet** computing – **Friday 11th September** –1.30-3.30. £5.00.

Intro to **iPad** computing – **Friday, 18th September** –10-12. £5.00.

**Thursday** afternoons **COMPUTER DROP IN** £2.00 per visit. Ideal for a small problem that doesn’t need a full 2-hour session. No need to book – just drop in (term time only 1.30-3.30).

Contact us on [itfortheterrified@btconnect.com](mailto:itfortheterrified@btconnect.com) or **01934 741751** or check out [www.itfortheterrified.co.uk](http://www.itfortheterrified.co.uk)

I.T. for the Terrified, The Old Cowshed, Station Road, Cheddar. BS27 3AG. (Next to the War Memorial - not the Market Cross). Opening hours match Kings Academy term times.

Registered Charity No. 1130308. Our normal opening hours are 10-12 and 1.30-3.30 Monday-Friday.

*If you can spare two hours a week and have skills on any level (including basics) – especially on iPad or Tablet – that you would like to share with others, please get in touch.*

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

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

#### **Churchwardens:**

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#### **Chapel Stewards:**

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## **PILTON METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES**

6<sup>th</sup> September Mrs J Cobb 11.00am

13<sup>th</sup> September Rev. Nick Lakin, Holy Communion 11.00am

Circuit Pilgrimage Picnic, Praise, Prayer, Tithe Barn 4.00pm

20<sup>th</sup> September United Harvest Festival, Rev J Letts 11.00am

27<sup>th</sup> September Mr R Haskins 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

### **Morning Prayer in Pilton Church**

at 9.00am on Wednesdays

# PARISH CHURCH SERVICES

## SEPTEMBER 2015

### 6<sup>th</sup> September Trinity 14

9.30am	Holy Communion	Dinder
11.00am	Family Service	Croscombe
11.00am	Holy Communion	North Wootton
6.30pm	Pilton Show Service "Songs of Praise"	Pilton

### 13<sup>th</sup> September Trinity 15

9.30am	Holy Communion	Pilton
11.00am	Holy Communion	Croscombe
11.00am	Family Service	North Wootton
4.30pm	Outdoor Service, The Old Rectory garden	Dinder

### 20<sup>th</sup> September Trinity 16

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

### 27<sup>th</sup> September Trinity 17

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

### 4<sup>th</sup> October Trinity 18

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