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THE SUNDAY SERVICES



November 2020

DATE	Dalwood	Kilmington	Shute/ Whitford	Stockland	Yarcombe
Sunday 1st All Saints Day	11am Zoom Five Alive Service See details below to join us!				
Sunday 8th 3rd before Advent Trinity 22	10:50am Remembrance Service	No Service	No Service	10:50am Remembrance Service	10:50am Remembrance Service
Sunday 15th 2nd before Trinity 23	11am Holy Communion at Stockland				
Sunday 22nd Sunday next before Advent	11am Holy Communion at Yarcombe				
Sunday 29th Advent Sunday	11am Holy Communion at Dalwood				

*Let us not become weary in doing
good for at the proper time, we
will reap a harvest if we do not
give up'*

Galatians 6:9

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THIS TIME OF REMEMBRANCE

ANNA CRABBE

THIS time of remembrance is especially poignant this year because of the current pandemic with so many memories of people who have died in our country and worldwide.

This time last year no one could have imagined how 2020 would be. Our NHS has been challenged and stretched to its limits and we thank them all again for their dedication and selfless love to care for others and when they can do no more, to sit with patients in their last moments of life as their families cannot be there.

In this time of remembrance, we say thank you to our Armed Forces community who are all over the world working every day. The British Legion provides vital support to those who have served our country and made a unique contribution to society.

I have taken several funerals during the past few months. One was for Dulcie Chick, who was 96. She was a dinner lady at Kilmington Primary School for 26 years. As we went out to her graveside for the burial, we could hear the voices of children in the school playground. Such a fitting joyful sound and so fitting for this particular lady who had very happy memories of her time at the school.

It is always a privilege to be involved with families at this sad time. Death is a journey we all take on our own. A path that often comes too soon and we all need love from others to take this journey. For the family and friends that are left:

Think of what made them special...

Think of time spent together...

Think about what we valued about them...

Think about how they made us smile or gave us encouragement...

Think about how their life blessed ours...

Spend a few moments giving thanks to God for their life...



I am standing upon the seashore. A ship at my side spreads her white sails to the morning breeze and starts for the blue ocean. She is an object of beauty and strength. I stand and watch her until, at length, she hangs like a speck of white cloud just where the sea and sky come to mingle with each other.

Then, someone at my side says: 'There, she is gone!'

'Gone where?'

Gone from my sight. That is all. She is just as large in mast, hull and spar as she was when she left my side.

And, she is just as able to bear her load of living freight to her destined port.

Her diminished size is in me, not in her.

And, just at the moment when someone says, 'There, she is gone,' there are other eyes watching her coming, and other voices ready to take up the glad shout: 'Here she comes!'

And that is dying....

Death comes in its own time, in its own way.

Death is as unique as the individual experiencing it.

Henry Van Dyke

PSALM OF THE MONTH

PSALM 10 - chosen by DAVID WILSDON

AS readers of this column will remember, this psalm continues the alphabetical journey of Palm 9, in which every other verse starts with a new letter of the Hebrew alphabet, suggesting that the two psalms were originally meant to be one, with its initial thanksgiving followed by misgivings.

While Psalm 10 is full of frustration about the apparent arrogance of "the wicked", and in verses 12 to 16 pleads with God to do something about it, it ends, as so many such psalms do, with confidence that, after all, the Lord is in control.

PSALM 10

1. Why stand so far off, O Lord? Why hide yourself in time of trouble?

2. The wicked in their pride persecute the poor; let them be caught in the schemes they have devised.

3. The wicked boast of their heart's desire; the covetous curse and revile the Lord.

4. The wicked in their arrogance

say 'God will not avenge it'; in all their scheming God counts for nothing.

5. They are stubborn in all their ways, for your judgements are far above out of their sight; they scoff at all their adversaries.

6. They say in their heart, 'I shall not be shaken; no harm shall ever happen to me.'

7. Their mouth is full of cursing, deceit and fraud; under their tongue lie mischief and wrong.

8. They lurk in the outskirts and in dark alleys they murder the innocent; their eyes are ever watching for the helpless.

9. They lie in wait, like a lion in his den; they lie in wait to seize the poor; they seize the poor when they get them into their net.

10. The innocent are broken and humbled before them; the helpless fall before their power.

11. They say in their heart, 'God has forgotten; he hides his face away; he will never see it.'

12. Arise, O Lord God, and lift up your hand, forget not the poor.

13. Why should the wicked be scornful of God? Why should they say in their hearts, 'You will not avenge it?'

14. Surely you behold trouble and misery; you see it and take it into your own hand.

15. The helpless commit themselves to you, for you are the helper of the orphan.

16. Break the power of the wicked and malicious; search out their wickedness until you find none.

17. The Lord shall reign for ever and ever; the nations shall perish from his land.

18. Lord, you will hear the desire of the poor; You will incline your ear to the fullness of their heart,

19. To give justice to the orphan and oppressed, so that people are no longer driven in terror from the land.

Bible readings November 2020

Date	OT Readings	NT Readings
Sun 1 [Gold or W] Trinity 21 All Saints Day	Ps: 34:1-10 OR own readings	Rev: 7:9-17 Heb: 11:32-12:2 OR own readings
Sun 8 [R or G] 3 rd before Advent Trinity 22	Varied Readings chosen by Ministers	Varied Readings chosen by Ministers
Sun 15 [R or W] 2 nd before Advent Trinity 23	Ps: 90:1-8 Zeph: 1:7,12-End	1 Thess: 5:1-11 Matt: 25:14-30
Sun 22 [R or W] Sunday next before Advent Christ the King	Ps: 95:1-7 Ezek: 34:11-16,20-24	Eph: 1:15-End Matt: 25:31-End
Sun 29 Advent Sunday	Ps: 80:1-8,18-20 Isa: 64:1-9	I Cor: 1:3-9 Mark: 13:24-37

From the registers

Funerals

Dulcie Doreen Chick, funeral at St Giles, Kilmington, on Thursday, October 8th. She was dinner lady at Kilmington Primary School for 26 years.

Michael John Dare, funeral at St Peter's Church, Dalwood, on October 9th.

Eveline Tratt, funeral at St Peter's Church, Dalwood, on October 29th.

SEASON SLOW TO CHANGE



BERRIES in profusion, left; acer stridently red in the sunshine, above; maple leaves changing their colour, below

Photos by Philippa Wilks and Gill Metcalfe

THE freshly shorn hedges leading to Stockland parish herald the arrival of autumn – somehow these hedges with their leafless stalks sparkling bare atop in late sunshine suggest the seasonal changes to come.

However, autumn has not quite arrived as the trees still retain their greenery and seem unwilling to relinquish their leaves. Only a few have taken on autumnal colours and

strangely still seem surpassed by late blooms and seasonal berries. Local gardens still shout out a veritable rainbow of hues whilst the abundance of berries again in gardens and in the villages', lanes sparks off several well-versed adages about hard winters ahead and wildlife survival.

Time still to enjoy such arrays and time to make sure that the bird feeders are filled.

Gill Metcalfe



SOME beautiful of late autumn colour in Kilmington. A mixture of marigolds, kaffir lilies and nerines

Photos by Michael Tyler

ENGLAND TO SWEDEN DURING CORONAVIRUS

By Martin Nunns

AS a frequent business traveller to Sweden over the last 12 years, I hope you will find my account of travelling there for the first time since the Covid-19 pandemic struck of some interest.

I was booked on a British Airways flight from Heathrow Terminal 5 for my journey to Lund in southern Sweden, travelling via Copenhagen and across the Oresund bridge, which my employer, Skanska, helped construct over 20 years ago.

The purpose of my journey was to attend meetings and review Skanska's project to build the European Spallation Source (ESS) in Lund. It is a project funded by 17 European countries and a great example of how co-operation can work towards making advances in scientific research to the benefit of everyone.

Lund is a delightful university town with a large student population and it is a major centre of scientific research. When completed, the project will carry out scientific experiments using neutrons, for example, as used in neutron microscopes. The future facility is composed of a linear accelerator located in a 500m-long tunnel in which protons are accelerated close to the speed of light, in a tube at minus 271 degrees centigrade.

The protons are fired towards a target which made of tungsten, weighing six tons and rotating at high speed. The target is encased in 5600 tons of steel and concrete. The impact of the protons with the target causes neutrons to be emitted which are directed into a collection of experimental stations where research can be undertaken the structure of materials. These will help discover and develop new materials with applications in manufacturing, pharmaceutical



ONE of the many attractive city gardens in Lund

drugs, aerospace, engines, plastics, energy, telecommunications, transportation, information technology and biotechnology.

According to its designers, ESS will provide neutron beams up to 30 times brighter than any currently produced anywhere in the world. The design and construction is complex due to certain parts of the facility becoming radioactive and the need to periodically replace the target which by then is highly radioactive. Following the Fukushima disaster the facility must also be capable of resisting the most severe of earthquakes. If you are interested in finding out more about this exciting facility just 'Google' ESS.

My journey to the airport was done in record time, but all car parks were closed, with the exception of the expensive short stay car park and

the long stay one where I was the only person on the transfer bus. The usual scene of the headlights from up to four aircraft approaching runway 27L at any one time was not to be seen, just the odd aircraft landing and taking off. The people in Hounslow, where Caroline lived for a while, must be enjoying the relative peace and quiet.

The airport buildings were eerie with about 20 per cent of the usual number of passengers. The advantage was there was no queue for the baggage check and again I sailed through without any fuss or I would have done if I had remembered to remove my belt!

Most shops were open but in most cases there were more staff than customers. Pret was thankfully open not necessarily for the possibility of refreshments but the opportunity to take off my face mask, purchased

from Dalwood shop and which otherwise would have had to be worn throughout my whole time in the airport, during the two-hour flight and the train journey across the bridge.

Most, if not everyone, I saw at the airport wore face coverings although the two-metre rule failed when it came to the usual scrum to be the first on the aircraft. Boarding was from the back seats first, much to the disappointment of those who had paid three times my fare for the same journey. It always amazes me why people want to get on first it's not as if they will arrive much earlier than anyone else! There were no meals for the 'economy' travellers like me, just a free bottle of water, crisps and biscuits with a small bag of gel to clean your hands with.

However there wasn't the tantalising sound of cutlery clinking against china plates from behind the 'blue curtain' so I guess there were no hot meals there either. There were only about four planes an hour leaving Terminal 5 so there were no delays waiting to 'push back' and no queuing for a take-off slot.

On arrival in Denmark the Covid-19 precautions were much the same as they are in England with the airport very quiet with the trains running as normal, on time. However, when we crossed into Sweden there was no requirement to wear face coverings and the emphasis was on social distancing and washing hands frequently. They believe in implementing sustainable measures, anticipating that it was going to be a long haul rather than being 'all over by Christmas'.

On arrival in Lund, I found that the weather was kind to me, on some visits it's been minus 20 degrees C but on Wednesday it was plus 20 degrees and dry. The locals enjoy an outdoor life during the summer months and are still enjoying eating outside in the squares and on the pavements outside restaurants. Life is going on much as usual. Very often you are supplied with a blanket or the overhead heaters are turned on which makes for a pleasant evening's dining.

In winter it's a much different picture. The outdoor tables disappear and most people stay indoors other than to travel to work



TOP, Swedes enjoying the last of the summer sun in Lund; above, construction underway at ESS in Lund

and the shops and they tend to only socialise in small groups. I was treated to bells rung from a local church, the first time I had heard bells in six months which was great. I find it difficult to understand why I can go onto a plane with 200 complete strangers, sit next to someone for two hours sharing an armrest but I can't go into Dalwood bell tower and ring the bells with five other people. No doubt you have similar questions.

I concluded my business at ESS on Thursday and on Friday I started my return home only to learn that the following morning at 4am the UK government were to introduce the requirement for 14 days quarantine for all travellers returning through Denmark and so I just managed to get back in time. I suspect that this will be my only overseas trip for this

year.

The Swedish approach to Covid-19 is different to the rest of the Nordic countries and Europe in general. They didn't have a full lockdown and as I observed, daily life is less disrupted than at home. They make their rules for guidance and expect people to act with a high level of social responsibility without the need to impose penalties for those who don't. There was an abundance of fully-topped-up sanitising points everywhere you go and yet the ones in Terminal 5 at Heathrow were all empty!

Up to now, Sweden has avoided a second wave of infections but it seems to me to be too early to tell whether their approach will be more successful than ours in the long-run.

I fear Covid-19 may yet have a few more surprises for us all.



DALWOOD NEWS

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Churchwardens express thanks to support team

SADLY, under the present circumstances we are unable to host a 'thank you lunch' for all those who have helped and supported our village church, St Peter's, this year.

Nevertheless the two churchwardens, Brian Eddy and Michael Dods, would like to express our appreciation to all those who have helped in so many ways to maintain and nurture our church during these difficult times.

These include the churchyard mowing team, the cleaners, PCC, flower arrangers, bell ringers, choir, our organist Mary Jarvis,

sidespersons, worship teams and intercession writers, pastoral team, *The Parishes' Paper* distributors and editorial team, community lunch team, plus many others who have supported St Peter's - they know who they are. We would also like to thank those who helped us by hosting the Harvest Festival Service, those who have set up, organised and participated in our Zoom virtual services, and all the retired clergy and lay readers who have helped us during the vacancy.

**Brian Eddy and Michael Dods
Churchwardens**

Remembrance Day Service at St Peter's Church will go ahead

ST Peter's Church, Dalwood, Remembrance Day Service will take place on Sunday, November 8th at 10.50am.

Please congregate around the war memorial, observe social distancing and wear masks at all times.

In the event of rain, the service will still start at the war memorial so umbrellas and raincoats please.

Once the activities at the war memorial are over, the service will continue in church where, again, social distancing must be observed.

John and I feel so grateful to all those who have helped us during these trying times by shopping, delivering newspapers, collecting prescriptions and many phone calls just to ask if we are alright.

I means a lot to know that you are there and we are lucky to live in such a caring community. We would like to mention a few of those special people and thank anyone else whose name we may have left out. You know who you are!

Many thanks to Kathy, Sue, Shelagh, Rob, Alan, John, Debbie, Richard, Tracey and Alex.

Kind regards and stay safe.
Beverley & John Weymes



Flower Rota for St Peter's Church

31st October - Jane Mottram

7th November: Poppies - All

8th - 14th November:

Poppy Display

18th November: Clear

away poppies - All

21st and 28th November -

Mel Tomkins

POEM

We are living from the freezer, my
we've had some funny meals
Like cauliflower and cornflakes
topped off with jellied eels
The problem is the labels either
come unstuck or fade
so we simply haven't got s clue what
her indoors has made.

We've had some combinations that
would really make you quake
Like tripe, blackcurrants, swede and
quorn all done in a tray bake
There's lots of bags and boxes all
filled with things we've grown
But I cant read the writing 'though
some of it's me own

Some products are not recent, they
are from the days of yore
I found some peas that we had
stored in nineteen eighty four
And then there are some items that
we can't identify
That just might be a mackerel giving
me the evil eye

There are packets of fish fingers
and that's home grown courgette
And this small pack of purple things,
beetroot I'd like to bet
Oh no, its our red cabbage made
the Christmas before last
I'm sure that it will be alright though
the best by date has passed

There's birthday cake we thought
we'd freeze cos we couldn't eat it all
A little bit of fish pie mix but that
portions rather small
There half a pig from Derek White
all cut up into joints
and a Chinese meal for two with
wine we got with Tesco points.

I suppose when its all over and we
come to count the cost,
The freezer will be empty, we'll be
able to defrost
But while we've been in lockdown
we've been gardening non stop
So the freezer will be full again with
a bumper veggie crop.

Brian Eddy

DALWOOD NEWS

AUTUMN in Dalwood, showing the stunning colours of the season

Photo by Diana Roberts



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have a look in the chiller

DALWOOD NEWS

The history behind Thanksgiving

By Michael Dods

THE 400th anniversary of the sailing of the Mayflower from the UK to the New World and which lead to the annual celebration of Thanksgiving, takes place this year.

When the Mayflower left Plymouth on September 16th 1620 for the new colony of Virginia, it carried 30 crew and 102 passengers, including 31 children. The journey would shape the history of modern America.

About half the passengers were English Separatists who were radical puritans who believed they should separate from the Anglican Church, which they felt was still tainted by Catholicism and its rituals. This group called themselves 'Saints' and the rest of the passengers were termed the 'Strangers'.

Most of the Saints came from an area where Yorkshire, Nottinghamshire and Lincolnshire meet today. The Act of Uniformity of 1558 decreed that not attending Church of England services was illegal and punishable by fines; membership of dissenting churches could be punished by imprisonment, torture and death and the 'Saints' became inspired to move to the New World.

Initially two ships, the Mayflower and the Speedwell set sail for Virginia in late July. The Speedwell from Holland was then joined by the Mayflower from Southampton. However, the Speedwell proved unseaworthy and both ships returned to Plymouth where the Speedwell was abandoned.

Most transatlantic crossings in those days began in April or May but the delays meant that Mayflower finally left Plymouth in the teeth of the North Atlantic's autumnal storms. One man died and one passenger was swept overboard but survived by clinging to a rope.

On November 9th, they sighted what is now Cape Cod in Massachusetts, north of their intended destination and near present-day New York. William Bradford, the colony's future governor, wrote in his account that when they landed, the Saints "fell upon their knees and blessed ye God of heaven, who had brought them over ye vast and furious ocean".

Initially, the settlers continued to live on the Mayflower while they built their settlement, the Plymouth Colony, on the site of a village which had been abandoned by the native American Patuxet tribe as a result of an epidemic of smallpox or leptospirosis. The first baby to be born, a boy, was named Peregrine - the Latin origin meaning "traveller or pilgrim".

In the first winter, 45 of the ship's 102 passengers died from what they termed a "general sickness" - probably scurvy, along with colds and fevers. Crucially, by April, when the ship returned to England, the colonists had established good relations with the Wampanoag, a confederation of local tribes.

The two sides formed a cautious alliance in March 1621, based on mutual need, brokered by Squanto, the last surviving Patuxet, who, having previously been seized by English explorer Capt Thomas Hunt in 1614 and sold into slavery in

Malaga, Spain, could speak English. The colonists, with their weapons, were able to fight off their inland rivals, the Narragansett.

The Wampanoag tribes taught them how to cultivate corn, beans and squash and, in the autumn of 1621, a successful harvest was celebrated with a now-famous feast.

The alliance lasted over 50 years but fell apart in the bloody "King Philip's War" of 1675-8. King Philip, a Wampanoag chief, also known as Pometacom, had adopted the English name King Philip. This was a three-year armed conflict between indigenous inhabitants of New England and New England colonists and their indigenous allies.

In the 1840s, at a time when the pilgrims were being proclaimed as the true national founders the 1621 feast was "rediscovered" as a fable of racial harmony and, in 1863, during the American Civil War, Abraham Lincoln established Thanksgiving as a unifying national holiday.

The Mayflower's so-called Pilgrim Fathers have exerted a powerful hold on the American imagination. Their values of courage, hard work and self-reliance, and their ideals of religious freedom and self-rule, would be very influential on the new nation - a more inspiring founding myth than that of the first English settlement, established in 1607 in Virginia by aristocrats and soldiers, who soon used slaves to grow tobacco and had violent relations with Native Americans.

Today, 35million people claim descent from the Pilgrim Fathers. Descendants include Marilyn Monroe, Franklin D Roosevelt, Clint Eastwood and Hugh Hefner.

Visit November poppy display St Peter's Church

SUNDAY, November 8th is Remembrance Sunday, when both those serving in the Armed Forces and civilians, who have suffered and died during two world wars and who continue to do so during conflicts worldwide are remembered.

In order to commemorate this sacrifice, St Peter's Church will be decorated with poppies which have been made and donated by members of the community and friends. Please come and see the poppies and flower arrangements which be on display this month on

Sunday, 8th; Wednesday, 11th; and Saturday, 14th, 10am to 4pm.

There will be over 1000 poppies on display. Thanks goes to the St Peter's Church flower arranging team - Sue Drew, Kathy Boyes-Lee, Marion Garrod. And special thanks to Debbie West.



KILMINGTON NEWS

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The original milk delivery duo always remembered



THE two ladies, Jill Collier and Gill Perkins, with their milk van

Photograph supplied by Anna Crabbe

By Anna Crabbe

IT'S now 10 years since Jill Collier and Gill Perkins stopped delivering milk to Kilmington and the surrounding area.

Mike Collier, Jill's husband, started the milk round in 1960 from Brooklands Farm in the village, selling their own milk at five old pence a pint!

Gill joined Jill to help deliver and some of the Lavender, Broom and Overton families helped at various times.

Jill and Gill delivered every single day for a while, only later stopping Sundays, and then to four days a week. Ice, snow, floods didn't stop the deliveries although sometimes they had to use the tractor and

horsebox when the weather was really bad!

A memorable incident was; on one occasion, Jill Collier's daughter, Emma, was in her baby seat between the two front seats of the van, parked outside Newtons, and kicked her legs so vigorously she kicked the hand brake off. The van rolled slowly back into Copps the Colyton bakers' van, parked outside the old Post Office... luckily only damaging a door!

Jill and Gill, started at 5.30am each day and delivered to Shute, Whitford as well as Kilmington, always having time to chat.

Now, we have Milk & More delivering milk in glass bottles. Some people, like us, have gone back to milk deliveries to reduce single use plastic.

People are much more used to paying online now, especially in the last few months, and we are fortunate that we still have milk deliveries.

Jill and Gill were involved in many shows in Kilmington including in the Golden Jubilee year, a hilarious performance of Ernie, (David Lavender), the fastest milkman in the West.

They also played Prince Charming and Dandini in Cinderella and were in several revues.

This poem, below, written by John Robertson, was a lovely tribute to the very popular milk duo.

POEM

End of an Era

THERE'S something missing on The Street;
Gone is the patter of busy feet,
When all around is dark and still,
Slumbering through the winter's chill.

There's something missing on Bim Bom Lane;
Gone is the hiss of tyres in the rain.
Where is the laughter of two friends together
Which brightened the day in spite of the weather?

There's something missing on Meadowbank;
Gone are the sounds of clink and clank,
Accompanied by an engine's hum,
Heralding the dawn to come.

There's something missing on The Hill;
Gone are our milkmaids Gill and Jill.
They're out delivering milk and creams
But only in the land of dreams.....

Looking back: Barbara's array of interesting jobs

By Barbara Woodsford

HAS anyone spent their whole working lives doing jobs they have loved?

I left school at 15 because I already knew it all! I spent my first three years as a nanny to three adorable doctor's children living in. I still keep in touch with the girls, Pippa and Carrie, today.

I then needed a complete change and went to work on a farm, milking cows. I lived with the family Monday to Saturday and rode my trusty Lambretta scooter home to Mum for the weekend.

Next, I went to an ironmongery-come-hardware shop where I did the accounts. You could get anything in that shop from one screw or nail to a tractor.

By this time, I was engaged to be married so was able to buy lots of stuff for my bottom draw from the shop.

When I married in 1970, we moved to Shute, 45 miles away from my Mum and 25 miles from my in-laws. No telephone, so lots of letter writing.

We used to go to the Shute Arms where we made many friends, and when the pub closed it was up over Ashes Lane to the New Inn,

Kilminster. When daughter number one arrived in 1972, things improved - everybody spoke to you if you were pushing a pram! My second daughter arrived on my first daughter's second birthday, and it being Easter, she told her gran, she'd rather have had an Easter egg.

We moved to Kilminster in 1979 where I took on the post of resident warden to the elderly. In 1983, when the girls were older, I went mobile, covering East Devon from Uplyme to Lympstone and all the areas in between. This job was my favourite, we were all one happy family and I was either installing emergency alarms or visiting elderly clients. I heard some wonderful stories and plan to write a book one day.

Living in Kilminster has always been a blessing. I enjoy village life, going to my lovely church, the New Inn and all the other things there to enjoy.

Both our daughters live in Axminster so we see a lot of them. Michele has worked in the same solicitor's office for 30 years. Nicola is a community psychiatric nurse based at Chard and covering the Yeovil area.

Nicola is married with three stepdaughters and three step granddaughters - and another on

the way. We do not have any grandchildren which gives me more time for baking and craftwork!

My marriage broke up in 1992 and my beloved Mum died in 1994. She was also my best friend so, although she was 83, it was far too early to lose her.

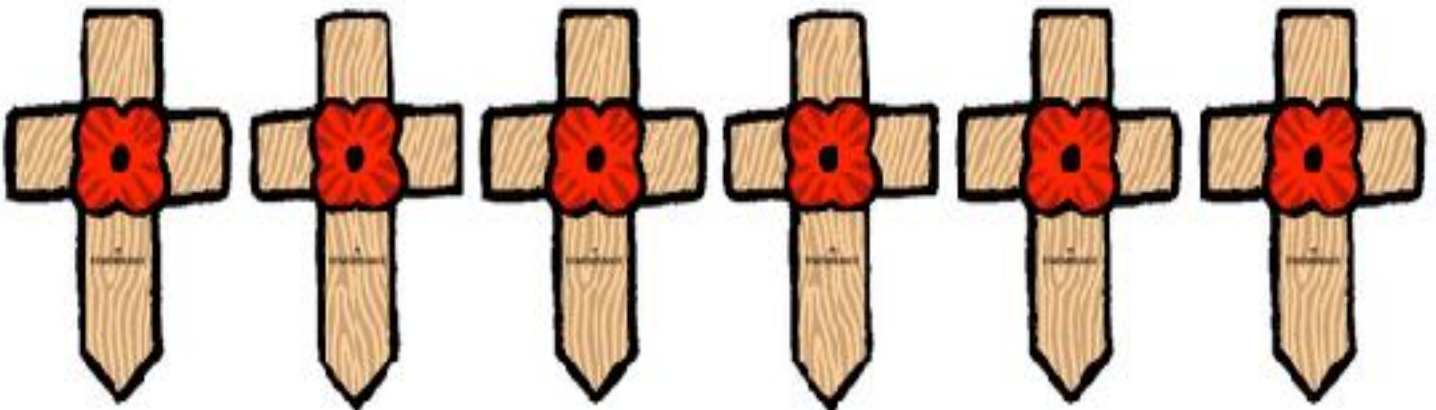
I continued with my same job and remarried in 2000 and carried on living in the same house. Unfortunately, I had several breakdowns so took early retirement in 2004.

Since then, I have done voluntary work, care service driving, visiting Koppers Specialist Memory Care Home, Kilminster and as a care navigator for hospices. I can't wait to get back to the latter when Covid-19 is over.

My friend of many years, Mary, died three years ago and I miss her terribly, she was a very special lady, everybody's friend.

I don't know how many godchildren Mary had, I know it was many, and Nicola was one of them. When Bill and I married in 2000 she organised all the catering for us, no problem. You don't get many friends like her.

When Covid-19 is over I think we must all count our blessings and hope we never have to face this sort of problem again.



Please support the Poppy Appeal - this year is vital

By Cdr Staff Seward OBE RN Rtd
Chairman RBL Kilmington Branch

I HOPE this finds you all well, in good spirits and, of course, protecting yourselves from the dreaded coronavirus.

You will be pleased to note that Kilmington Royal British Legion (RBL) has held its first 'Zoom' annual meeting on Friday, October 2nd, which went extremely well, although, we did miss some of those who would have normally attended. My thanks to those who did join us on Zoom and also to the committee for providing timely and accurate reports - a copy of the minutes are available on the Kilmington village website.

As we write, our thoughts are towards all those who continue to suffer and, of course, the families and friends who provide such essential support. As we enter the winter months, may I urge you all to continue support and dialogue with less mobile members, but also friends and neighbours who may feel particularly vulnerable in the current climate.

November is the time when we remember all those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice for our country and Kilmington will hold a brief remembrance service at the war memorial, followed by the act of remembrance on Sunday, November 8th at 10.45am.

For those attending, please remember that self-distancing rules will apply and that we will ask you to fill in a form of attendance for track and trace purposes which will be disposed of immediately after the nominated period. We will also be marking November 11th with maroons at the cricket field.



THE Covid-19 Community Response: Creative Fundraising Award, top, presented to Cdr Staff Seward OBE RN Rtd by newsreader Alastair Stewart; above, Kilmington's war memorial, where a remembrance service will be held on November 8th with social-distancing rules in place

Unfortunately, there will be no refreshments and, again, self-distancing rules will apply.

Many will be aware that the Poppy Appeal has been affected enormously by coronavirus, resulting in no door-to-door collections and reduced static positions. As a result, this year, we would like to encourage our younger residents and all our

readers to be involved in remembrance.

Some readers suggested providing an outline of a poppy which could be coloured in and placed in a window, showing support. You will find a poppy that can be coloured in printed on the back page of this issue. We look forward to seeing your poppies in your windows.

Despite current restrictions, we are still hoping to hold our A Taste of Christmas in an open market format in Kilmington Village Hall car park on Saturday, December 5th and it would be fantastic to see you all, albeit of course at a safe distance! More details will be revealed in next month's issue.

As previously stated, we hope that we will be able to resume our normal programme of events as soon as possible. Next year is the 100th anniversary of the Royal British Legion and we are progressing ideas of how we will celebrate this memorable event, so if anyone has any ideas or wishes of how to mark this important event, please do not hesitate to contact us or your own branch.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Kilmington committee and all those who supported a nomination for me to receive a national award for support during the Covid-19 lockdown, in particular for Creative Fundraising - VE Day Green Waste Collection.

I am delighted, however, to say that I - 'we' - won the award which was presented to me during a 'virtual' awards ceremony by Alastair Stewart, the newsreader. Thank you all so much for nominating me for this award, it is truly a huge honour.



STOCKLAND NEWS

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By Gill Metcalfe and Brian Drew

PARISHIONERS will be familiar with the poignant television broadcasts on Remembrance Sunday, the second Sunday in November.

This is the Sunday nearest to November 11th, Armistice Day; the anniversary of the end of the hostilities in the First World War in 1918 and the day held to 'commemorate the contribution of British and Commonwealth military and civilian service men and women in the two world wars and later conflicts'.

The time, day and year are marked by services starting with wreaths of remembrance poppies lain on memorials throughout the country followed by a two-minute silence held at 11am. Church bells which follow are usually rung half-muffled, creating a sombre effect – in respect. The national ceremony is held in London at the Cenotaph on Whitehall starting with the two minutes silence at 11am concluding with the Nations' Thank you procession at 1.30pm.

It is fitting that on 'the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month' 2020 that the men of Stockland who died fighting in the two world wars and subsequent conflicts are remembered for their sacrifice – their bravery.

Stockland lost 20 men in the First World War, The Great War; all are named on the Stockland War Memorial – The Memorial Tablet to the Fallen on the north wall of the church.

Three other young men associated with Stockland village also lost their lives but are commemorated elsewhere. Frank Harward, of Stockland, was killed in action in Italy in the 1939-45 conflict.

All these men – Stockland's heroes are recalled in Bryan Drew's, A Journey through the History of Stockland. Whilst recognising that more men and women associated with Stockland may have lost their lives the following are those recorded on the memorial: Fred Barton, Reginald Dimond, Robert

OUR VILLAGE REMEMBERS



THE Memorial Tablet to the Fallen

Dimond, William Driscoll, Frederick Foxwell, William Glade, Thornhill Gosling, William Gosling, Fred Goff, William John Larcombe, Percy Loveridge, George Long, Alfred William Norris, Frederick Pearce, Frank Pilton, Reginald Smith, Frederick Trim, Frederick Tucker, Edward Vincent, and Sydney Webber; all of whom lost their lives in the 1914-18 conflict. Of these men, 14 were enlisted in the Devon Regiment. Frank Harward, the only Stockland man to die in the Second World War, is also recorded on the memorial.

Remembrance service plan

THE Remembrance Day Service will take place on Sunday, November 8th.

As per usual, the congregation will meet at the rear of the church at 10.50am; hopefully, the Stockland church bells will be rung from 10.15-10.45am – 30 mins half-muffled peal. The service, to be taken by Michael Salman, who has led the service for the past four years, will start at 10.50am.

A reminder of the day will be followed by reading aloud the names of the fallen from Stockland with prayers for them – at this point members of the congregation usually gather by the Stockland Memorial Tablet.

The Royal British Legion Stockland Branch Standard is taken to the altar and placed across it by the vicar for the duration of the service.

This is followed at 11am by the eleven strikes notifying the hour and the start of the two-minute silence: then the exhortation is given. At the end of the service the Standard is returned to the side of the memorial tablet. At one time, a parade through the village took place after the service; perhaps sadly this tradition has been lost.

With Covid-19 measures in place, masks will need to be worn in the church and hands sanitised before and after the service; sanitisers will be provided. Signage is clearly in situ throughout the church. A service sheet and a choir (six people self-distancing) for the service are planned.

Special harvest service joyous occasion for all

By Rozanne Bulmer

IT was with great joy that the church could be opened to host the special Harvest and Patronal Festival Service on September 27th at 11am.

The service was taken by lay reader Gill Heighway to celebrate this year's harvest. Local parishioners, along with some from the other parishes in the Five Alive Mission Community, plus a choir of six for the hymns, were present.

Some harvest decorations were hurriedly put together given the uncertainty that the service would go ahead. Refreshments were

served afterwards - much enjoyed by all - and the unexpected fine weather enabled people to socialise outside in the grounds and church in keeping with the self-distancing rules. Some produce was kindly brought, which was blessed by Gill.

The considerable amount of non-perishable goods was taken to the collection point for the food bank in Honiton whilst the perishable ones were placed by the church exit allowing for a self-help donation system.

Zoom services will still be run on the first Sunday of the month for the Five Alive; it is hoped to continue with services in each of the parish churches at least once a month.

Please do join us when you can as it so lovely to be able to get together again and catch up after so long.



A SOCIALLY-DISTANCED Harvest Festival

Photo by Tim Phillips

Poppy help call

THE poppy symbol is generally worn around the time of Remembrance Sunday - traditionally from All Souls' Day, November 2nd, until the later of Remembrance Day, November 11th, or Remembrance Sunday.

The 2020 Poppy Appeal in the parish will run from October 23rd to November 8th.

With the Covid-19 measures, there will be no house-to-house collections this year. Static collection boxes and merchandise will be available in The King's Arms and, hopefully, the church.

If anyone can help please call Rozanne Bulmer on 881838.



**PLEASE
support the
village Poppy
Appeal efforts**

New Sunday church opening times

DUE to the success of recent events, the church will be open on Sundays.

Devon Historic Preservation Trust's Ride & Stride September Charity Walk and the harvest festival and

patronal service successes mean the church will be open every Sunday between 10am-4pm.

Risk Assessments and government regulations have been strictly adhered to.

PAUSE FOR PRAYER

Remembering

We bring to God someone who we remember today and for whom we want to pray.

We bring to God someone who is hurting and needs our prayer.

We bring to God a troubled situation in our world.

We bring to God someone who we find hard to forgive or to trust.

We bring ourselves to God; we bring our community and our Church,

praying that we grow in generosity of spirit, clarity of mind,

and warmth of affection. Amen.

Submitted by Philippa Wilks

STOCKLAND NEWS

First quiz for King's Arms huge success

CONGRATULATIONS and thanks are more than due to the hosts and staff of the King's Arms.

What a night – drinks to the table, special evening menu – antipasti was absolutely delicious – and the quiz was such fun and so very fair. Well fair if the knowledge of: the three particles that make up an atom, Count Dracula's hangout, the animal definition of a Newell, and the collective noun flutter was in your team of six's know!

Round 3 proved a killer – never thought that recalling the name Harry Stiles would prove so crucial! For those normally allergic to boy bands – One Direction, though for one quiz team (not to be named) 'wrong direction' was certainly more appropriate.

However, this was well balanced by the 'Ben' Round – cheeky the Nigel Benn answer though – a bit of lateral thinking needed there! Thanks to 'big bro' Ben!

The atmosphere of the quiz was something quite special. There was a genuine buzz – teams really enjoying themselves – not just the questions but the camaraderie and the sense of healthy sporting competition – and the phenomenal organisation behind the evening.

Great hosts, great quiz, great fun and all in a completely safe and sanitised environment. More than well-done and thank you all to the King's Arms.

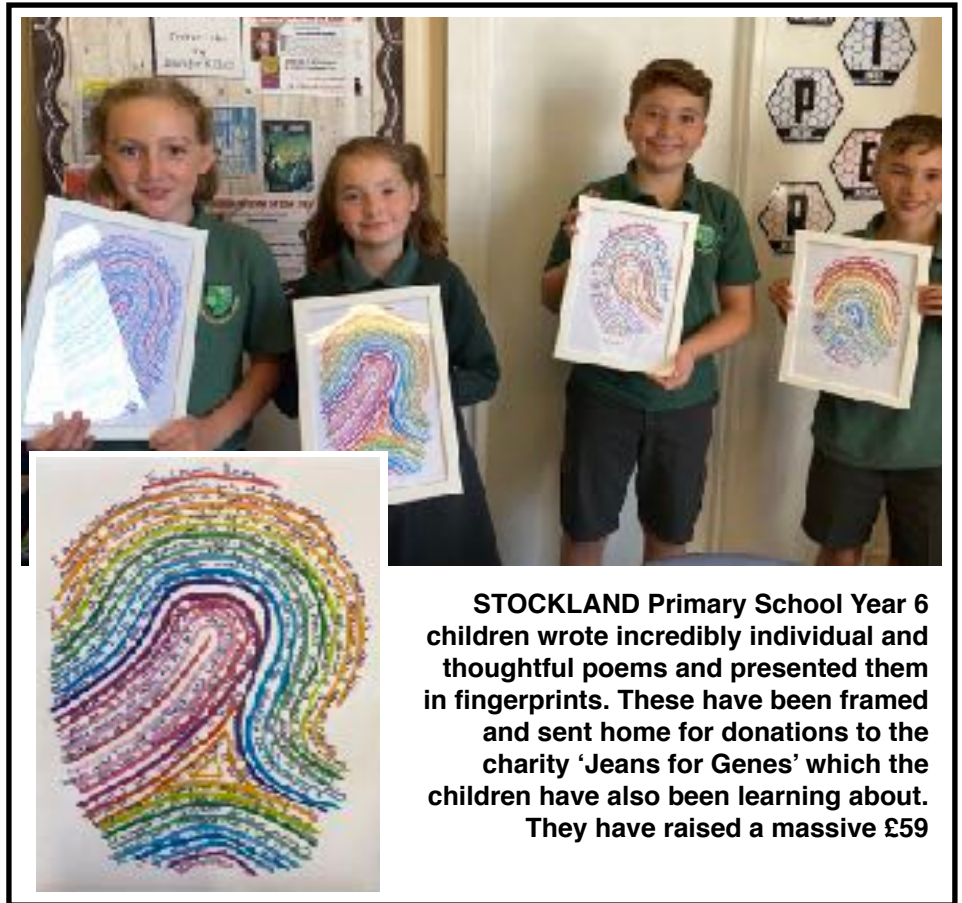
Gill Metcalfe

Lucky winners

THERE are three lucky winners of the Stockland 100 Club to report.

Winners are Jenny Broom (No. 26; £20); Cricket Club (No. 57; £10); Florence Doble (No.103; £5).

Monica Parris



STOCKLAND Primary School Year 6 children wrote incredibly individual and thoughtful poems and presented them in fingerprints. These have been framed and sent home for donations to the charity 'Jeans for Genes' which the children have also been learning about. They have raised a massive £59

New outside learning

By Gill Metcalfe

AS reported in the October issue of *The Parishes' Paper*, an extensive refurbishment of the Stockland Primary School site took place during the summer break.

The school has been given a new lease of life with new carpets and fresh paint in many rooms. Patio doors and steps were added to Class 2 creating a much lighter room along with an additional outside teaching area.

The most dramatic re-vamp happened in Class 3 which now has a false ceiling, new wood-panelling, modern lights and a double sink area



to facilitate additional hand washing. The brighter learning area has produced a very positive atmosphere. All this was kindly and energetically co-ordinated by school governor Bill Gilmour-White.

Please stay in touch by sending us your community news and photos of events, activities and nature in the Five Alive area
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SHUTE NEWS

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Vision and dedication to service of the community

By Bijan Omrani

LAST month, these pages carried an account of how St Michael's Church in Shute has developed and changed over 800 years.

As a sequel, this month we offer an account of the building of the other church building in the Parish of Shute – St Mary's at the Cross in Whitford – and also of the remarkable vicar of Shute, the Rev Stanhope Nourse, whose vision it was to build this chapel for Whitford.

Stanhope Mackie Nourse became vicar of Shute in 1902, and served in that position for 31 years until his death in 1933 at the age of 73. He was a formidable scholar. He studied both at Trinity College, Dublin, and Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, and held clerical positions at Cambridge and elsewhere before his appointment to Shute.

Having settled in Devon, he became a leading light in the Exeter Diocesan Archaeological Society, and wrote a number of tracts on architectural history and Devonian customs. The former includes his historical notes on St Michael's Church, Shute, as well as long articles on *The Renaissance*, 1910, *The Resuscitation of Gothic*, 1907, *Modern Enormities*, 1910, and *Some First Elements in Building, From an Aesthetic Point of View*, 1907. The latter includes a discussion of *The Altar Stone at Musbury*, 1926, and a striking discussion of the Devonian dialect terms "butts and tutts" - dialect words for varying types of church kneelers - and "butt-women", according to him, being the Devonian dialect term for the people who clean the kneelers; this published in *Devon and Cornwall Notes and Queries* vol 7.1, 1912, p. 41-2).



THE Rev Stanhope Nourse

For all of his dedication to scholarship, Nourse did not neglect his duties as a parish priest or the welfare of his parishioners. Indeed, the surviving evidence shows that he was unflagging in his desire to serve the spiritual needs of the parish. The most visible legacy of this is the Chapel of St Mary's at Whitford, which was built at his instigation in 1907.

The need for a chapel to serve Whitford is something that clearly was impressed upon Nourse's mind shortly after he became Vicar of Shute. The first mention of the idea in the archival record comes in 1905, in an important letter which Nourse sent to the Lord of the Manor, Sir Edmund de la Pole, who then owned the 3,000-acre Shute Estate. The letter is a vivid record of the conditions of life in Whitford at the time, and is worth quoting at length.

"May I... plead," wrote Nourse, "the needs of Whitford where so many of your tenants reside? There are so many there who are cut off from the means of grace. I could give you the names of at least 17 persons who from age or bodily infirmity are unable to walk to the parish church, and some four or five others who from other causes find it difficult or impossible to traverse such a distance. They are constantly asking me when they are to have their Mission Chapel and eagerly pleading for more of the Church's services in a cottage. For 2.5 years I have had evensong and sermon weekly in a kitchen under conditions frequently of great discomfort. During Lent this year an additional afternoon service was held which the people are asking to be resumed. At Easter I was compelled to celebrate the Holy Communion in a cottage for the benefit of the infirm, beside others, when five communicated who can never come to church."

Nourse reveals in this letter that he had already been trying to establish a chapel at Whitford for some time, and he asks Sir Edmund for help, implying that he could solve the problem with a donation of a piece of Shute Estate land: "I have been in touch with six different owners of freehold [land] at Whitford with a view to purchasing a small piece of land without success... The area of land wanted is very small, 1/30 part of an acre could be sufficient." Nourse even suggested that the people of the Parish could purchase this land from the Shute Estate: "Although I have not yet begun any systematic asking for donations, £94-0-11 has been already given or promised... The people of Whitford... are quite ready to bear their share of the expense by contributing their offerings."



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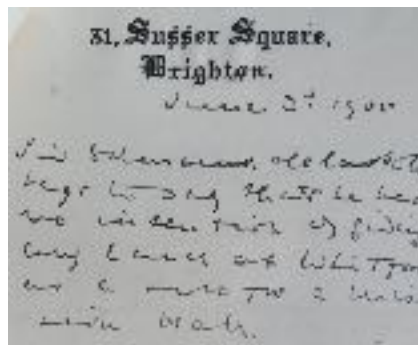
Nourse mentions in this letter that Sir Edmund had just recovered from a long illness, and suggested that his assistance to the people of Whitford might be an appropriate “thank offering” for his recovery. Nourse’s letter ended with an emotional appeal: “I am not asking for myself. I am pleading for those who through infirmity and poverty cannot be partakers of the joy and consolation of united Christian worship the deprivation of which we have never experienced.”



PLAN drawn by Nourse to illustrate to the Bishop of Exeter the distance that parishioners in Whitford had to walk to get to Shute Church

It may have been that Sir Edmund’s illness had left him irritable and bad-tempered, or that he found some objection to the nature of Nourse’s pleading, but even if this were the case, his reply was extraordinarily brusque. Writing from his town house in Brighton, Sir Edmund, addressing Nourse in the third-person, declared simply: “Sir Edmund de la Pole begs to say that he has no intention of giving any land at Whitford as a site for a mission hall.” Such a sharp response is particularly surprising, given Sir Edmund’s previous record in improving the conditions of life for tenants at Shute, and it suggests a moment of personal animosity.

Despite this less than graceful response, Nourse was nothing daunted. He continued both to raise funds, to seek the support of the Church authorities, and to seek for a piece of land to buy in Whitford that was not owned by the Shute estate.



LETTER from Sir Edmund, 1905

By April 1907, he had succeeded in persuading Samuel Pavey to sell a small part of an island of land in Whitford, known as Priests Oak, to be a location for the new chapel. The land, which had earlier been tenanted by Frank Partridge, was sold on April 24th 1907, for £12.

By the beginning of the following year, 1908, Nourse had raised sufficient funds to engage a local builder, Tom Anning of Lexhayne Mills, to build the Chapel. Anning’s estimate for building the chapel was £247-16-10. At this point, Nourse’s knowledge of architecture came to the fore. The contractual documents are covered in sketches by Nourse, illustrating exactly how he wishes each feature of the chapel to be built, including even the guttering and door jambs.



MAP of Priests Oak, Whitford, 1907

The work proceeded quickly. On August 11th 1908, permission was received from the Bishop of Exeter for the chapel to be used as a place of worship. Donations were received from those within the parish and further afield for the chapel’s



NOURSE’S plans for the Eaves and Gutters]

furnishing. It was perhaps the momentum and quick success of Nourse’s vision that led to a second letter from Sir Edmund, in June 1908, written in a somewhat infirm hand but more friendly vein, this time offering a donation of ten guineas towards the chapel appeal – almost enough to have purchased the land in the first place. Sir Edmund took his place on a page-long list of donors from the locality, some of whom had managed to donate even more than Sir Edmund.

The story of Nourse and the building of Whitford Chapel gives much food for thought, particularly



EARLY photograph of the chapel interior

during this time of pandemic and lockdown. It is a fine example not only of how a committed and capable person with vision, dedicated to the service of the community, can improve life in the locality. It is also a sign of how the community, working together towards a common goal, can also improve life locally and overcome all manner of adversity.

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FESTIVAL OF ARTS STRIVES AHEAD DESPITE COVID-19

By Sam Knights
Shute Festival co-director

SHUTE Festival 2020 continues to provide a wholly diverse programme of events during this period.

November and December will see a live sitar concert with Axminster-based Ricky Romain; a panel discussion on slavery in the South West, past and present, with

Dr Todd Gray, of Exeter University, and Kate Garbers of Unseen; a concert with The South Country, a folk and classical quartet; and Abi Dare speaking about her new book *The Girl with the Louding Voice*.

Since April of this year, the festival has taken its events online and made them free to all. This has been a difficult period for all arts but we were determined to run our events and to help support authors, and performers alike.

ABOVE left, Abi Dare, who will be speaking about her new book, *The Girl with the Louding Voice*, in December; above, The South Country, a folk and classical quartet, which will play this month

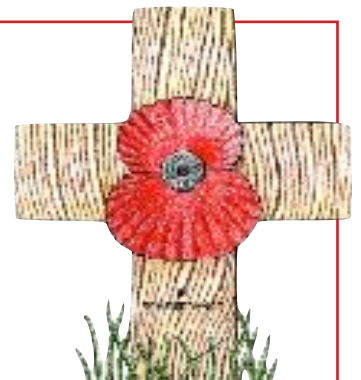
The festival has also put on a number of panel events on highly topical subjects including Human Rights in a Covid Climate and The Future of British Farming. Recordings of all its past events are available to watch again via the festival website.

Dates for the remainder of the year: Ricky Romain in Concert - November 12th, 6-7pm; Slavery in the South West, past and present - November 26th, 6-7pm; The South Country in concert - November 28th, 7:30-8:30pm; Abi Dare - December 3rd, 6:30-7:30pm.

Registration is free via www.shutefest.org.

**PLEASE SUPPORT THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION
POPPY APPEAL IN YOUR AREA - YOUR HELP IS
NEEDED MORE THAN EVER THIS YEAR**

See back page for poppy to colour in and hang in windows to encourage the younger generation





YARCOMBE NEWS

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Locals support barefoot walk

By Lesley Sutton

A 'STOP press' email received late on Wednesday evening inspired several Yarcombe people to congregate in the Jubilee Hall car park at 10am on Thursday morning to watch the handover of 'Obama the llama' from one barefoot walker to another.

Warrant Officer Paul Brenton had requested permission to park his car in the car park all day in order to continue a challenge to walk two of the legs of a walk from Lands End to Edinburgh Castle via Downing Street in aid of the Hope for Hasti charity to fund research into Cornelia de Lange Syndrome.

Major Chris Brannigan, whose daughter, Hasti, suffers from this condition - which is identified with reduced growth, global development delay, feeding problems, speech and language difficulties, hearing problems and in many cases limb abnormalities. It is rare for such children to reach adulthood, there is no cure and round the clock care is needed.

Chris recently completed his solo barefoot walk which was widely covered on television and decided to throw out a challenge to others mainly in the military, who may wish to help.

The route was divided into 126 legs and Paul had chosen to walk legs 28 and 29 which would take him from Yarcombe to Kingstone Cross in Ilminster via Chilworthy anticipating his departure to take place between 10am and 11am depending on the arrival of the walker on leg 27.

Paul, who works for the British Army based in Gloucester at the NATO headquarters, told us that he was receiving up-to-date information telling him that at that time Nicky was five miles away coming from the Honiton Showground, so it would be some time before her arrival.

She arrived to applause from



those still waiting, cheerful but with bandaged muddy feet realising that time taken with shoes was entirely different than when barefoot. She had decided that it was less uncomfortable on the road surface than the verges or paths.

Jubilee Hall caretaker Debbie Carter provided a bowl of warm soapy water so she could wash her battered feet. Paul and Nicky had taken time off work to complete their challenge, and Nicky told us that she worked for North Somerset Council as a worker for children's development.

The change-over duly took place and Paul set off down Sheafhayne Lane on the first of his two legs

taking the collection bucket and the rucksack with necessary equipment and the banner explaining what he was doing with him.

Confirmation was received that he had completed his walks and

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handed over the mascot taking three hours and 52 minutes.

We wish these intrepid volunteers success and hope that the weather remains fine for the future.

Locally, our own champions have been hard at work. Thelma Clarke has completed a half marathon over five days for The Lord's Larder in Chard and been able to take them an envelope containing £500

collected from local people.

Diane Frost has started her marathon in a month for Hospicecare and will be walking the lanes of Yarcombe, so look out for her and wish her well. It is 10 years since she was diagnosed with cancer herself.

Otto Sutton, 11, completed a challenge riding 300 miles - increased on his own initiative to

400 miles - on his bicycle during September for Cancer Research UK and has raised £1,040.

We would also like to thank, Helen and Doreen Parris and Debbie and Lee Carter for their voluntary contribution to the village during the lockdown period by completely redecorating the Jubilee Hall and making it so warm and welcoming during their 'spare time'.

Church finally open for socially-distanced service

AT last the church was opened for a socially-distanced service for Harvest Festival.

Nigel Freathy kindly led the worship with readings from Rachel Burrough from Kilmington and Katy, Ellie and Daniel Rich from Yarcombe.

The six members of the choir were allowed to sing the hymns to the best of their ability whilst the

masked congregation hummed along. The collection left at the church doors will be donated to the Red Cross appeal for the people of Beirut and store cupboard goods which were provided in lieu of harvest produce will be taken to The Lord's Larder in Chard.

The church had been opened during the week to allow for a general clean as it had been closed

for such a long time and flower decorations had been placed in the windows. It was good to see visitors from our sister churches make the journey across country to worship together. The next church service will be the Royal British Legion Service of Remembrance and the church will be open for private prayer on Sunday mornings and Wednesday afternoons.

YARCOMBE WEATHER SEPTEMBER 2020

	2020	2019	2018
Average Max. temperature	18.0°C	18.9°C	18.7°C
Average Min.	9.9°C	13.1°C	9.9°C
Average Overall temperature	14.4°C	15.7°C	14.4°C
Rainfall	29.6mm	146.0mm	48.2mm
Wettest Day	30th 16.4mm	23rd 34.0 mm	22nd 27.5 mm
Sunniest Day	14th 12.0 hrs approx.	21st 11.5 hrs	27th 11.0 hrs
Warmest Day	14th 26.7°C	21st 21.0°C	3rd 24.4°C
Coldest Night	26th 4.7°C	22nd 10.3°C	29th 3.5°C
Sunshine hours	198 hours approx.	145hrs	130 hrs

We had plenty of days when the sun shone from dawn to dusk and with little rain, made September a fantastic month to finish off a glorious summer.

Tony Newman

Please stay in touch by sending The Parishes' Paper team your community news and photos
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OUR son's daughter, Evie, who was one, was very badly scalded 14 years ago and her life was saved by staff in the Burns Unit at Manchester Children's Hospital.

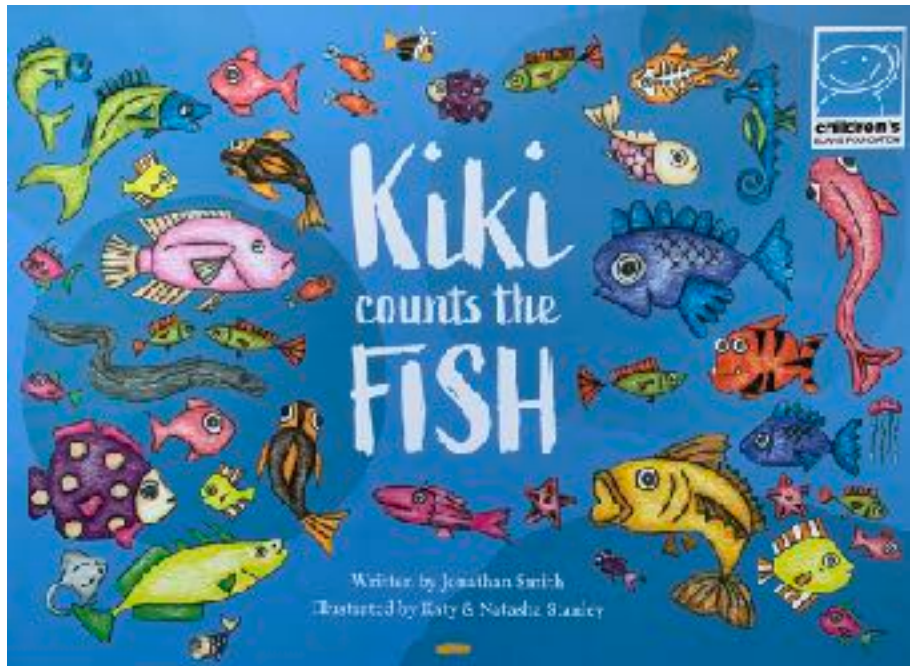
Since then, her father has been raising money to support the Children's Burns Foundation (CBF) set up to offer all sorts of practical and psychological help to children who end up in the unit.

He has cycled from Blackpool Tower to the Eiffel Tower, climbed the three peaks and, craziest of all, was the kayaking 12 miles across Lake Windermere, then cycling from there to London where he ran the London Marathon the next day.

The latest venture was to produce a book, Kiki Counts the Fish and 2,000 copies have now been printed.

Half have gone to the hospital and a copy is given to every young child who is a patient in the unit.

The story is based on a little girl who is in hospital with burns and in order to distract her, she tries to count the fish that surround her painted on the walls, floor and ceiling. It has been illustrated by our daughter, Katy, and granddaughter, Natasha, 18.



Book for burns victims

The book, aimed at children up to nine, is free with a suggested donation of £10. It can be obtained by contacting me on 01404 861541 or brianmarysmith@btinternet.com.

More information about the work of registered charity the CBF can be

found at cbf-uk.org. The fact that Evie is such a well-balanced teenager, in spite of having two skin grafts, owes much to the work of this wonderful charity.

Mary Smith
Glebe Farm, Yacombe



**Affected by cancer?
Looking for support?
Need Help or advice?**

During these uncertain times we continue to support but in slightly different ways.

We are able to offer free of charge to anyone affected by cancer: -

*Online/telephone counselling & coaching
Online Yoga & tripudio
Nordic Walking*

Now open, our Beach Hut for daily hire -free of charge

Weekly drop-in via zoom

Art kits, Jigsaws, Magazines & puzzle books.

Loan of a book from our comprehensive library.

We also now have an online shop and you can select local collection/delivery free of charge if local.
<https://axminsterandlymecancersupport.co.uk/shop/>

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CORRYMOOR

Come along & stock up on socks for Christmas...

Sadly, there are no Christmas shows this year.

However, we do plan to try and hold some 'sock sale' days here at the farm -

**November 28th & 29th 10am - 3pm and
December 5th & 6th 10am - 3pm**

We hope to welcome you **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY** so please 'phone to book a slot in advance.

These have proved popular in the past, but this year there will be restrictions in accordance with Government guidelines and, of course, we may have to cancel.

You will be able to stock up with socks for Christmas and to buy mohair scarves, gloves and throws. The much sought after "Seconds" trays will also be accessible.

We hope you will be able to come to one of these!

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PARISH RECIPE

CHRISTMAS PUDDING ON STIR-UP SUNDAY by Caroline Nunns

THE last Sunday before Advent is Stir-up Sunday, the day when traditionally families gather together to prepare the Christmas pudding. This year that will be Sunday, November 22nd.

My mum always used a Guinness recipe. The ingredients included one pint of Guinness but only half a pint was needed in the pudding itself the other half pint was for the cook to drink while the pudding steamed! I try to make my pudding on Stir Up Sunday and invite whoever is at home to stir the pudding and make a wish. I use the Aga traditional Christmas Pudding recipe.

Ingredients:

- 6 oz (175 g) raisins
- 3 oz (75 g) currants
- 3 oz (75 g) sultanas
- 2 oz (50g) candied peel, chopped
- 2 oz (50 g) blanched almonds, chopped
- 3 oz (75 g) self-raising flour
- Two eggs
- 4 oz (100 g) fresh white breadcrumbs
- 4 oz (100 g) shredded suet
- 1/4 of a pint (125mls) Guinness
- One cooking apple, peeled, cored and diced
- Grated rind and juice of one orange
- Grated rind and juice of one lemon
- Two tablespoons of black treacle
- 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1/2 teaspoon ground mixed spice

Method:

- Grease a 2 pint (1 litre) pudding basin.



- Place all the ingredients in a large bowl and mix together very thoroughly. Turn into the prepared basin, cover with greased, grease proof paper and a foil lid and lift into a pan, pour water halfway up the side of the basin. Cover and bring to the boil then simmer on the simmering plate for 30 minutes.
- With the grid on the floor of the oven, transfer the pan with the water and the pudding to the oven for 12 hours or overnight. Next day remove from the pan, cool and cover with fresh foil to store.
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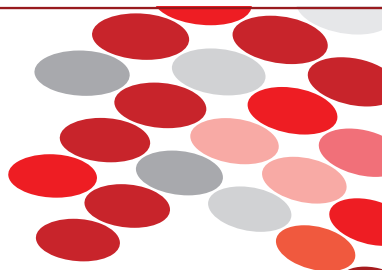
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www.fivealive.org - To stay up to date with what is happening across all of our Five Alive Mission Community, please visit our website. Here you will find any notices on what is happening as well as present and previous issues of the Parishes Paper.

The Church of England - Online services are being posted weekly on the Church of England website www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/church-online. As well, you can find many other resources are available on the website for prayer reflection, devotions and practical information during this time.

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www.dalwoodparish.co.uk - Information on what's currently happening within Dalwood, contacts for each church in the area general and includes a list of local walks.

www.yarcombe.net - Stay up to date on what is happening within Yarcombe in their local website which includes information on any contacts required, local walks, and general information on the area.

www.kilmingtonvillage.com - Kilmington's local website is ready with plenty of information on what is currently happening with regards to the Coronavirus outbreak and is providing many links to government websites and advice as well as contacts for needs within the Parish. You can also find issues of the Kilmington Postscript available on the website.

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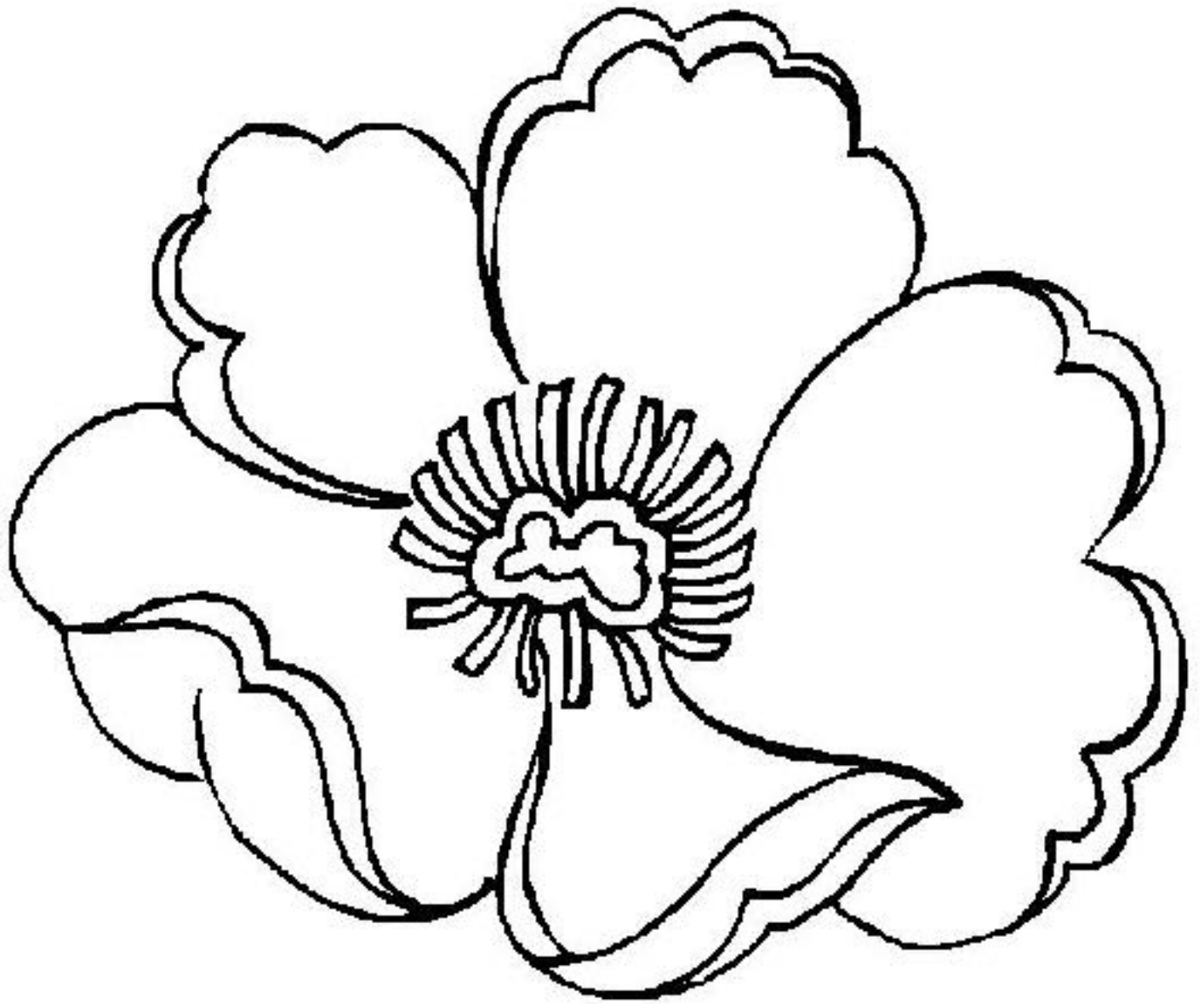
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