

# The PARISHES' PAPER

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## NOVEMBER 2023

Date	Dalwood	Kilmington	Shute + Whitford	Stockland	Yarcombe
<b>Wed 1</b>	9.30am Mission Community Said Communion Hosted by St Peter's Dalwood				
<b>Sun 5 (G)</b>	10.30am Mission Community Holy Communion Hosted by St Michael's Church SHUTE (EX13 7QW)				
<b>Tues 7</b>	9.30am Mission Community Said Communion Hosted by St Giles Church, Kilmington				
<b>Tues 7</b>	7.00pm Mission Community Annual Memorial and Thanksgiving Service Hosted by St Giles Church, Kilmington				
<b>Sun 12 (G) Remembrance Sunday</b>	10.50am service begins at the War Memorial	9.45 am at The Baptist Church 10.55 at the War Memorial	10.50 am At the War Memorial in Shute	10.50am Family Service for Remembrance Sunday	10.50am Service with Brass Band
<b>Wed 15</b>	9.30am Mission Community Said Communion Hosted by St Peter's Dalwood				
<b>Sun 19 (G)</b>	11am Holy Communion	9.30am Holy Communion	11.00am Worship in Whitford	11.00am Morning Worship with Baptism	6.30pm Evening prayer
<b>Tues 21</b>	9.30am Mission Community Said Communion Hosted by St Giles Church, Kilmington				
<b>Sun 26 (G)</b>	11am Morning Worship	9.30am Morning Prayer	6.30pm Choral Evensong Shute	9.30am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion
<b>Sun 3 December Advent 1(P)</b>	10.30am Mission Community Holy Communion Hosted by St Giles Church, Kilmington, EX13 7RF				
<b>Sun 3</b>	5pm Carol singing at end of the Christmas Traditions Festival				

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## REMEMBER – DO NOT FORGET

REV JULIE LOMAS

**REMEMBER, remember the fifth of November – gunpowder, treason and plot<sup>1</sup>.**

The traditional On the Fifth of November poem was first written by famous poet John Milton in 1626 in Cambridge.

It was originally an epic poem, written in Latin and titled, In Quintum Novembris. The poem commemorates the anniversary of the failed Gunpowder Plot of 1605, when a small group of plotters threatened to change the course of history. In early 1606, an act was passed designating November 5th as a date of thanksgiving, with bonfires and fireworks settled upon as a suitably fitting commemoration<sup>2</sup>.

Here we are over 400 years later, and many of us will indulge in a huddle around a bonfire, enjoy the childlike joy of holding a sparkler, and the warming taste of hot chocolate (or some other beverage) as we stand outside in the cold air.

November is a month of remembering – of casting our memories backwards into time, and recalling people.

Some people like Guy Fawkes, have gone down in history with notoriety. Others have passed away in battles and wars fought in foreign fields.

Still more of our loved ones have died in recent times, during the Covid pandemic and more recently.

November is a month of remembering all these people and more. We are invited this month to gather together at different times and in different places with the same aim and objective – to remember those who have died.

On Tuesday, November 7th, you are invited to gather inside St Giles's Church, Kilmington, for the annual memorial and thanksgiving service. The service will begin at 7pm and will include well known hymns, prayers, and time to light candles as we bring to mind those we have loved and lost. All are welcome to attend this time of reflection.

Equally, we are all invited to gather at our village churches and war memorials on Sunday, November 12th to take part in the national act of

remembrance for all who have given their lives in the service of this country, both armed forces and civilians, as well as many animals.

Sadly, gunpowder, treason and plot continue to be evident in our world, and causing as much horror and sorrow now as it ever has in the past. It seems that whilst we are able to remember the past, as humans we are not very good at learning from it.

Nevertheless, as Christians, we hold onto the hope that one day "God will wipe away every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away" (Revelation ch 21 v 3-4).

Until that day, may we continue to remember, and continue to pray for peace.

References:

1. <https://wordsforlife.org.uk/activities/remember-remember-the-5th-of-november/>
2. source: <https://inews.co.uk>



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# MY FAVOURITE HYMN

In this feature each month, a different person will share with us their favourite hymn and reasons why.  
This month, we welcome **Rozanne Bulmer**, who is church warden in Stockland.  
She has chosen **Abide with Me**

**PILGRIMAGE to the Ypres Salient and Battle Fields** – Alan and I were invited to join a private group organised by the Rifles to go on a Pilgrimage to the Ypres Salient and Battle fields.

This group consisted of a number of military personnel and included a number of dignitaries such as the Bishop of Bath and Wells and a couple of Lord Lieutenants.

Every evening in memory of the town of Ypres the buglers of The Fire Brigade sound The Retreat every evening at 8pm. This has only been interrupted for one day during the Second World War.

This takes place at the Menin Gate, through which one of the main roads to the town passes, which is closed to traffic every evening at the allotted time.

On the walls of the monument are listed many thousand names of the fallen who have no graves, (one such name is Alan's great uncle).

When we attended one year to lay

wreaths, we found a choir and small orchestra who were on tour from Wakefield in Yorkshire who sang Abide with Me during the ceremony which was extremely poignant and moving. Several of my great uncles all lost their lives and came from Yorkshire as well.

If anyone is going to Ypres, they should try and attend the ceremony which is open to the public, and one can apply to lay a wreath.

**Abide with me:  
fast falls the eventide**  
**Author: Henry Francis Lyte (1847)**

1 Abide with me: fast falls the eventide;  
the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.  
2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass

away.

Change and decay in all around I see.  
O thou who changest not, abide with me.

3 I need thy presence every passing hour.

What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?

Who like thyself my guide and strength can be?

Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

4 I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless,

ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.

Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?

I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

5 Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes.

Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.

Heaven's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee;

in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.



## Bible readings November 2023

Date	OT Readings	NT Readings
<b>5th November</b> <b>Green</b> (4 <sup>th</sup> before Advent)	Micah 3: 5 - 12	Matthew 23: 1 - 12
<b>12th November</b> <b>Remembrance Sunday</b> <b>Green</b> (3 <sup>rd</sup> before Advent)	Amos 5: 18 - 24	Matthew 25: 1 - 13
<b>19th November</b> <b>Green</b> (2 <sup>nd</sup> before Advent)	Zephaniah 1: 7, 12 - 18	Matthew 25: 14 - 30
<b>26th November</b> <b>Red or White</b> (Sunday before Advent) <b>Christ the King</b>	Ezekiel 34: 11 - 16, 20 - 24	Matthew 25: 31 - 46
<b>3rd December (Purple) 1<sup>st</sup></b> <b>Sunday of Advent Common</b> <b>Worship Year B begins</b>	Isaiah 64: 1 - 9	Mark 13: 24 - end

## From the registers...

### Weddings

The wedding of **Emily Blackler** and **William Bright** took place on Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> at St Michael and All Angels Church, Stockland. We extend our congratulations to the happy couple.

### Baptisms

The baptism of **Matilda Fovargue Gross** took place on Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at St Peter's Church, Dalwood. We offer our prayers for the family and look forward to welcoming them into the life of the church in Dalwood.

### Funerals

The funeral of **Sylvia Mary Bazley** took place on Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at East Devon Crematorium followed by a service of thanksgiving for her life, held at St Michael's Church, Shute.

The funeral of **Jasper Tubbs** took place on Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at East Devon Crematorium followed by a service of thanksgiving for his life, held at St Michael and All Angels Church, Stockland.

*We extend our deepest sympathies to their families and friends.*



ON Saturday, October 14th, Matilda Fovargue Gross was welcomed into the church family by the Rev Julie Lomas at St Peter's Church, Dalwood. Matilda was presented with a Bible and a candle to remind her of this happy event and the Godparents each received a certificate and a copy of some prayers to help them guide Matilda through her Christian life. Matilda is the daughter of Nick and Olivia Gross and sister to Heidi.

## Try sewing the seeds of friendship

By Roderick Ovey

AT the Dalwood Methodist Church, taking the collection is an integral part of the service, and this is usually accompanied by quiet music, perhaps a hymn tune, which I try to ensure has some relevance to the theme of the service.

Thinking about this for our harvest festival, I came across an old hymn entitled Sowing and Reaping, a couple of verses are as follows:

*Sow flowers and flowers will blossom around you wherever you go,*

*Sow weeds and of weeds reap the harvest: You'll reap whatsoever you sow;*

*Sow blessings and blessings will ripen; sow hatred, and hatred will grow*

*Sow mercy and reap sweet compassion, you'll reap what so ever you sow.*

Not a harvest hymn as such, and the words and analogies are certainly dated, but it is still a sharp reminder that everything we say and do has a repercussion.

Take sowing seeds of hatred or anger for example. I'm sure we have all seen instances where if tempers start to rise matters can quickly get out of hand, sowing seeds of anger, but if one party doesn't rise to the bait and stays calm the situation soon cools down. After all, you can't have a good row if the other person won't oblige!

It is said the most infectious thing in the world is a smile. Don't believe me? Next time you're out and about,

try sowing seeds of friendship by smiling and saying "hello" to everyone you meet, whether you know them or not, and you'll see that most people will respond in a similar manner.

If it encourages a conversation you may find that the stranger you've just spoken to turns out to be a friend you've met for the first time! If we sow smiles of friendship we'll reap friendship in return.

In this modern age we are sometimes too quick to discard the old in favour of the new, but words from the past still have a lot to teach us, as this hymn shows.

At the chapel we try to sow seeds of friendship, not only on a Sunday but throughout the week, so do come along to one of our activities or services and see how we do.



For more information on the Five Alive Mission Community visit [www.fivealive.org](http://www.fivealive.org)

# BISHOP'S INVITATION TO PRAY

THE acting bishop of Exeter is inviting people across Devon to take part in a Diocesan day of prayer, Come and Pray, on Saturday, December 2nd.

The Rt Rev Jackie Searle said she wanted to make prayer a priority for the next 12 months as the process to appoint the next Bishop of Exeter continues.

Come and Pray will include a day-long prayer and worship event at Exeter Cathedral, which will feature different forms of prayer, prayer stations for all ages, acts of worship led by Bishop James and Bishop Jackie and music from the Christian singer-songwriter Andy Flannagan and the Exe Valley Community Choir.

The day of prayer will include different forms of prayer for people and situations.

It will run from 11am to 4pm with the main worship being live-streamed to allow people to join in online. In addition, there will be an online prayer room and prayers and liturgy published so people can take part in the day wherever they are.

Bishop Jackie said: "It's so much on my heart that to pray is to know God and to seek God, and that is at the very top of our diocesan vision.

"We want to grow in prayer and we want to pray particularly in this year and in this season."

Rev Sarah Mounoury, from the Sid Valley Mission Community, who is leading the group organising Come and Pray, said: "It's an incredible opportunity to come together in the cathedral, amplify our prayers and expect the Holy Spirit to empower us and our Diocese."

"There's so much to pray about, some real needs in the Diocese, some of our finances, some of the issues that we face – but there's also a real joy in gathering together to pray.

"I'd love as many people as possible to come and join me for this day of prayer, so please get the date in your personal, church, school and youth group diaries and plan to come and join me if you can for our day of prayer together!"

The Bible verse for the day of prayer is Philippians 4:6: "Do not be

anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."

Rev Sarah said: "Uniting is prayer is immensely encouraging and powerful.

"As a Diocese, it will be wonderful to come together in prayer and fellowship, to unite and pray in ways that may be new to us, to join together in worship, to encourage one another and be united in Christ.

"It's an incredible opportunity to come together in the Cathedral, amplify our prayers and expect the Holy Spirit to empower us and our Diocese."

December 2nd marks the start of Advent, and churches are also being encouraged to hold their own local prayer events if possible. Themes for the day will include unity, creation care, praying for people encountered through the Come and See weekend of mission, generosity and the vacancy in see process. People will also have the opportunity to pray for people in need and to receive prayer for themselves.

## Archbishop of Canterbury joins Exeter Diocese

THE Archbishop in Conversation will take place on Saturday November 11th, 2.30pm to 5pm, at Exeter University Alumni Auditorium.

Join the Archbishop of Canterbury for an afternoon of reflective conversation about bereavement, grief and finding hope.

Justin Welby will draw on his own experiences of bereavement as he talks to others who have suffered

loss.

The afternoon will include the chance to meet representatives from local bereavement support charities in our marketplace.

There will also be the opportunity to remember loved ones with a candlelit walk and time of reflection accompanied by the University of Exeter Chapel Choir.

The event will be held at The

Forum, Stocker Road, Exeter, EX4 4SZ and refreshments will be provided.

Places are free of charge but are by ticket only, available at [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-archbishop-in-conversation-with-tickets-680867070737?aff=oddtcreator](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-archbishop-in-conversation-with-tickets-680867070737?aff=oddtcreator)

Joining instructions will be emailed out before the event.

## Chance to see Walker's Light of Hope Star at cathedral

SEE sculptor Peter Walker's stunning steel and neon star installation in the awe-inspiring nave of Exeter Cathedral, included with standard Cathedral admission fee, in situ until January 6th 2024.

The Light of Hope Star is a five-metre steel sculpture in the shape of a star, suspended with changing neon lights. The star, a symbol of divine guidance, protection and oneness, was created as a final sculpture for The Light of Hope mass participation project in 2020.



The project incorporated seven UK cathedrals, including Exeter, with each

sending beams of light up into the night sky as beacons of hope during the Covid pandemic.

The Light of Hope Star saw its first installation at Lichfield Cathedral from December 2020 until the end of January 2021.

The installation of the star marked the final stage of a three-part project supported by Art Council England.

The event opening times are: Monday to Friday 10.30am-4.30pm; Saturday 9am-4.30pm; Sunday 11.30am-3pm.

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# DALWOOD NEWS

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## Remembering Jeanne with great fondness

A MEMORIAL service for Jeanne Iris Walker, 1936-2023, will be held at St Peter's Church, Dalwood, on Saturday, November 18th.

It was with great sadness that, in September, Dalwood learned of the death of Jeanne.

She and her husband, David, moved into the village in 1997 and lived here until 2017 when they left to live in Suffolk to be closer to their daughter.

Upon arrival in Dalwood in 1997, they quickly became involved in various aspects of village life.

Jeanne was a keen member of Dalwood's WI and St Peter's Church, and after a while she became an active member of the Parochial Church Council.

David had fun updating their new home in Town Court including building a new extension, and then became very involved with the village's project to build Dalwood Community Shop. In fact, in addition to contributing his building skills, he became manager when it first opened. Also, at one stage, David compiled and printed *The Parishes' Paper* from their home.

Prior to moving to Dalwood, in 1984 Jeanne and David set up Greenacre Farm Communities at Luppitt. This was a

charity which provided a residential community for their son Michael, together with other people with learning disabilities. Neither of them had any experience of running a care home or a charity but, as their son Ian told me, they just "got up and did it". Jeanne became head of care for about 25 people with learning disabilities before retiring in 2001. It was a huge achievement and she was much loved by both the residents and staff. Retirement enabled Jeanne to have more time to walk Ricky, her rough collie, and they were a familiar daily sight walking around the village and through the surrounding fields.

Jeanne was a lovely and caring lady, and is remembered with great fondness by those who knew her.

Hilary Horley



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the 27<sup>th</sup> Jan 2024

# DALWOOD NEWS

## Young and musically gifted Ezra, 12, plays in the village

EZRA Jefferies, 12, pictured, from Axminster, will give a short concert of organ and piano music in St Peter's Church, Dalwood, on Wednesday, November 22nd at 10.30am.

Ezra, who has played piano since the age of seven, and more surprisingly, has learned to play the church organ since the age of eight-and-a-half, has already achieved grade five.

For one so young, he has had enormous musical experience, having played the organ at Salisbury Cathedral, Wimborne Minster and St Swithins in

Bridport (through the Pipe Up scheme).

He plays the organ at All Saints Church and occasionally at St Michael's in Lyme Regis and plays piano and drums for his school.

He has also played percussion with Saxminster at The Waffle House and, this year, has been chosen to lead the Axminster Remembrance Day Parade with the drum beat!

Don't miss the opportunity to hear this remarkably talented young man. The concert is free and there will be a retiring collection for Shelter Box.



Please send your Dalwood reports, news and photos to village correspondent Stephen Boyes-Lee via email: [stephen@burfords.co.uk](mailto:stephen@burfords.co.uk)



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Monday- Friday: 8.30am - 5.00pm  
Saturday: 8.30am - 4.00pm  
Sunday: 8.30am - 12.30pm

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# DALWOOD NEWS

TRAVEL back in time as you step through the front door of Loughwood Meeting House.

A place of worship which has remained virtually unchanged since the 18th Century, Loughwood is a beautiful chapel set into the hillside and overlooks the rolling east Devon countryside with views of the Axe Valley. Founded in secret during a time of great persecution towards non-conformists, Loughwood Meeting House is one of the earliest surviving Baptist meeting houses in Britain.

The first known record of the chapel is in 1653 when Baptists from the nearby parish of Kilminster sought an isolated place to worship. It was founded in secret at a time of great persecution towards those who did not conform to the governance of the Church of England (non-conformists).

The earliest meeting places for nonconformist congregations were in the open countryside or in barns or cottages. Some local historians

## Loughwood is a perfect place for quiet reflection

believe that a cottage at Loughwood was used for services before the building was complete. Baptist meeting houses remained illegal until the passing of the Toleration Act of 1688. Before this time, considerable risks were taken by members gathering for worship. Men and women were ostracised, ridiculed, imprisoned, transported and sometimes killed.

In the early 17th Century, attending a service was risky and guards were often stationed outside to warn of approaching soldiers. Tales recount how the congregation arrived one morning to find an armed soldier at the door, with orders to attack the first person attempting to enter. Another story describes worshippers arriving to find a huntsman blowing a horn whilst hounds sniffed around

the pews.

As attitudes towards Baptists softened, Loughwood became a mother church and new parishes were created in the region. In 1832, a new church was openly established in Kilminster which still retains close links with Loughwood.

Loughwood is open to visitors free of charge and available for prayer and quiet reflective time. To protect this very special place, the chapel will only be open on Fridays and Saturdays throughout the winter months, starting in November. Please check the website for opening times before visiting [www.nationaltrust.org.uk](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk).

Loughwood is located just off the A35 between Kilminster and Wilmington, two miles from Kilminster village.

### Dalwood Recreation Trust (DRT)

Reg. Charity no. 1148103

The DRT trustees wanted to say;  
**THANK YOU** to everyone who helped to make the Car Wash and Big Breakfast such a huge success.

We raised, after expenses, over £400 .  
We could not have raised these funds without your much needed help and support. Thanks again.



From Shelagh, John, Sue, Hilary, Kathy,  
Graham, Brian, Lorna, Rosalind, Geoff,  
Adam, Shaun  
DRT trustees

### Dalwood Recreation Trust (DRT)

Reg. Charity No. 1148103

This year our two wonderful volunteers have now retired from keeping the field and area well cared for and looked after. This means we urgently need help on the Jubilee Field to cut the grass and trim the hedges.



We need volunteers.  
**Could you spare some time to help us?**

The grass would need cutting every 10 days or so in the summer. We have the mower and strimmer.

If you would like a, no obligation, chat with Brian to find out more please ring him.

Tel: 01404 831009

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We hope to hear from you soon.

Thank you.  
DRT trustees



# KILMINGTON NEWS

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## SHOW GOES ON TO RAISE £1200

BACK in March some members of Axminster Choral Society suggested putting on an Old Time Music Hall evening to help raise funds for Flamingo Pool in its 25th anniversary year – an excellent idea as this was something a bit out of the ordinary.

Kilminster Village Hall was booked for Friday, October 6th. The Flamingo Pool fundraising committee said it would provide a light supper and rehearsals took place prior to the event, all was planned until Covid struck down several members of the cast.

It was decided to go ahead as tickets had been sold and everyone was looking forward to rekindling memories of The Good Old Days TV programme which ran for 30 years between 1953 and 1983.

The audience came, several dressing for the occasion, and enjoyed a light supper of jacket potatoes and various fillings followed by ice cream.

The artists, now of only five instead of eight entertained us with a mixture of period songs and amusing monologues. There was of course a raffle and bar to lubricate voices for the final audience sing-a-long ending with Down at the Old Bull and Bush.

Thanks go to the cast, the ladies that catered, Tesco Axminster for contributing to food and gift costs and the audience for coming along and raising £1,255 for Flamingo Pool, for which it is most grateful. What an amazing result!

*Celia Dunsford on behalf of  
ACS and Flamingo Pool*



ENJOYING the show: top, from left, Frances Holme and Elana-May Blackmore; above, Christine and Christopher Thorne



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# KILMINGTON NEWS

## Bellringers' trip

BELLRINGERS like to have the opportunity to ring in different towers and St Giles's Church team had not had an outing since before the Covid pandemic.

This year, the group decided to do something a little different and as many of the band had not rung in the other Five Alive churches, the outing was split into two mornings.

Able organised by Steve Lomas, the group went to Yarcombe and Stockland in March and then had lunch at the Kings Arms.

This later followed with Shute and Dalwood in October and lunch at the Tuckers Arms. It was a good experience; some bells were easier to ring than others but everyone took up the challenge and who doesn't like the chance to have two pub lunches!

Thanks go to Steve for organising these outings.

*Celia Dunsford*

## Festive handbells

THE handbell group will start rehearsing Christmas music in St Giles's Church between 10am and 11am on Saturdays from the November 4th.

If anyone would like to join the group (it doesn't matter if you haven't done it before), please either make contact – 01297 33563; 07985 268656; or [celia.dunsford@btopenworld.com](mailto:celia.dunsford@btopenworld.com) – for more information or join the group in November.

*Celia Dunsford*

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## Inspirational women and Esther's story

By Christopher Thorne

**WHAT a wonderful Celebrate Together Service on Sunday, October 14th.**

A group of 32 gathered together to praise the Lord, to sing, to laugh, to watch in awe at the wonderful play and to feast.

It was a wonderful gathering with people attending from Luppitt, Honiton, Axminster and Kilminster. The service was ably led by Gill Highway, Christine Thorne led the play and the talk.

For the play, the story of Esther was told. Two people from the congregation played the king and Esther. Christine played Mordecai and I got to play the baddy – Haman – there were lots of boos whenever my name was mentioned.

It was great fun – a few mistakes here and there but that sometimes makes

the play as there is plenty of joy and laughter.

Thanks also goes to Christine Mills for helping – you so nearly got to play the part of Esther – you also would have been great. Thanks also to the four stars, the tea ladies, who once again put on such a delightful spread – you would be so missed if you were not there.

Inspirational women was the theme – those who inspire. Mothers and other ladies within our families. Female leaders and celebrities. Women within the church. There are so many.

There were photos of six ladies displayed in the church – these being Anne Frank, Corrie ten Boom, Mother Teresa, Joni Eareckson Tada, Ellie Simmonds and Rose Ayling-Ellis. These are most definitely all inspirational women. Thanks also go for the wonderful prayers that we had from the congregation during the service. All had a wonderful time.

## Linda keeps promise to her family

ON Saturday, October 7th, relatives of the Froom family gathered at St Giles's Church, Kilmington, to keep a promise.

Linda Hartman had promised her mother that she would arrange for the family memorial stone to be cleaned and the grave restored.

Sadly, her mother died before the work could be started, but the promise had been made and has now been kept. Linda, and her daughters, Charlotte Pope and Elizabeth Donovan were joined by Rev Julie Lomas and Karen Hussey, of WG Potter Funeral Directors, for a short act of remembrance and a blessing of the newly restored memorial stone.

Mrs Hussey had led the team who had cleaned and restored the grave, which included many hours of work with a toothbrush and some bleach as well as the work to remove a self-seeded tree and replenish the white stones that cover the grave.

The Froom family lived in Kilmington in the late 1800s and Mrs Hartman has traced her family tree back to the 17th Century.

How and why such a magnificent headstone was afforded for the family, when Joseph Froom was recorded as



FROM left, Charlotte Pope, Elizabeth Donovan, Linda Hartman, Rev Julie Lomas and Mrs Karen Hussey

PHOTO: Julian Hussey

having been a farm labourer is not clear. If any readers of *The Parishes' Paper* have any knowledge or information please do contact Rev Julie. The inscription reads: "In loving memory of Joseph Froom who entered into rest July 19th 1908, aged 72 years. Also of Jane, wife of the above, who fell asleep April 13th 1902

aged 67 years. Also of Delia, their third daughter, who died in London on August 20th 1894 aged 31 years, Elizabeth their seventh daughter, died October 20th 1886, aged 18 years, and Harriet, their ninth daughter, died November 2nd 1893, aged 19 years. Father in thy gracious keeping leave we now our dear ones sleeping."

## Hearty harvest lunch raises £600

ON a beautiful sunny day on Sunday, October 8th, 60-plus people were treated to a very tasty and very filling harvest lunch.

The group enjoyed cottage pie and vegetables, followed by apple crumble and custard. As visitors were patting their full stomachs and commending the chefs, around came more food in the shape of the harvest loaf and cheese!

The harvest loaf had had pride of place on the altar at St Giles's Church an hour before, as the congregation shared the harvest festival service, led by Rev Julie Lomas.

Most of the food produce generously donated by the

congregation was blessed by Rev Julie before being taken on, either to be raffled after the lunch, or to be taken to Axminster Churches Together Foodbank to be distributed to those in need in the local area.

A huge £600 was raised which is wonderful and this money will be going to the Farming Community Network which does great work for local farmers.

Thanks go to everyone who made the harvest festival such a success. Thanks also to Axminster Market and to Millers Farm Shop for each donating vegetable hampers which were raffled off.

Gill Heighway





# STOCKLAND NEWS

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## PAUSE FOR PRAYER

Pause for Prayer:  
Lines from Psalm 72

Give to your leaders good  
judgement, O God,  
And a sense of what is right.  
May they govern your people with  
justice  
and do right for those who are  
powerless.  
May the mountains bring peace to  
the people,  
and the hills bring forth justice.  
May they defend the poor among  
the people,  
save the children of the needy  
and crush the oppressor.  
May justice flower in their days,  
and peace till the moon is no more.

May they rescue the needy when  
they cry out,  
and save the lives of the poor.  
May they have pity on the weak and  
the powerless;  
May they redeem them from  
oppression and violence.  
Blessed be their name for ever;  
may their names last as long as the  
sun.  
In them let all the nations be blessed  
and proclaim their happiness.

Blessed for ever be the glorious  
name of God,  
May the whole earth be filled with  
God's glory!  
Amen.

*Contributed by Philippa Wilks*

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## THE VILLAGE REMEMBERS

By Gill Metcalfe

**THE annual observance of Remembrance Day in the United Kingdom falls on Sunday, November 12th.**

It was established to commemorate servicemen and women in the first and second world wars, and later conflicts to date. It is held on the Sunday nearest to Armistice Day – the second Sunday in November.

The theme of this year's International Day of Remembrance and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism is: Legacy: Finding Hope and Building a Peaceful Future.

Whilst the nation 'will remember' in the solemnity of the two-minute silence at 11am on November 11th and at 11am on November 12th, the efforts to provide for the fallen and their families with the

traditional poppy emblem must also be recognised. The funds raised from these sales go towards supporting the armed forces, their families and personnel from the UK and the Commonwealth who have fought and suffered – and do so even today.

Many will recognise the work of Rozanne Bulmer in coordinating the poppy day collections for several years in the parish. She would welcome a few volunteers to help with the door-to-door collections especially in the Millhayes and Ham/Ridge areas – in fact, this forms an appeal for such as volunteers are in short supply. So, anyone with a little spare time would be so very welcome. The appeal starts on October 25th. Do please contact Rozanne, Poppy Appeal organiser, on 01404 41907 or 07796 338332 or via email at [rvbulmer@btinternet.com](mailto:rvbulmer@btinternet.com).



## Wild flower seeds for the churchyard

AFTER the lovely harvest festival church service taken by Rev Julie Lomas on September 24th, several children, under the watchful eye of local farmer Keith Parris, scattered a wild flower mix on the prepared triangular piece of land at the east end of the church.

The mixture, kindly donated by Goren Farm, contained several native wild flower seeds mixed with a small packet of seeds given by the Archdeacon to all parishes within Devon.

*Rowena and Bryan Drew*

# STOCKLAND NEWS

## Transformation for open event

By Gill Metcalfe

**STOCKLAND'S Victory Hall was utterly transformed for the absolutely stunning open day event on October 7th.**

At the outside steps was the most spectacular array of autumn flowers – gigantic blooms and foliage – then, inside the hall, more blooms galore and the hall interior filled with welcoming signs and luxurious colour.

It was necessary to stop and hold one's breath – tables adorned in the most exquisite manner, the ceiling and windows subtly dressed with white drapes and bunting and the exhibitors who had genuinely taken the event to

heart with their eye-catching displays.

This was the very proof of the multitude of events Stockland hall can admirably host: photographers, cake artists, hair, and local wine producers, party specialists, tents for all occasions, festooned arches and wedding dresses. This was a professionally run event from the displays to the signage boards and presentation of the hall – truly outstanding. Exhibitors included: Fanfare event hire, Candy Bees wedding venue props, Bridal Reloved of Axminster, Bridal Hair by Rosanne; Devon Church Weddings; Katherinenewmanphotography; Dalwood Vineyard; Home Mead bake; Flowers on the Hill; Kate's Cuts and Dos and Flame Cave Pizza.

Oh, to be so proud of the hall and the Stockland villagers who worked so hard to present a magnificent events venue. Total congratulations to the team and exhibitors who did themselves more than proud in making the hall unequivocally stunning.

This was a major event to show case the hall and endorse it as an attractive a venue for a multitude of occasions.

Prior to this outstanding promotional drive, the hall recently hosted a drama production including play-writing workshop, and a modern dance evening and will soon host an evening

lecture session led by Julian Pady, of Goren Farm, featuring the inauguration of the newly founded East Devon Hub all providing insight into the range of provision the hall can offer.



# STOCKLAND NEWS

## Jasper: a colourful life of adventures

By Rupert Tubbs

**SADLY**, Jasper Tubbs died on September 10th. Partner of Margaret Martin, he lived very happily at Bay Cottage in Shore Bottom for the last 15 years.

Many locals will have seen him walking the dogs across the hills and valleys, and, more recently driving Bertie, his three-wheeled cross-country scooter around the local lanes.

Jasper was brought up on horseback, hunting from an early age, joining a cavalry regiment, playing polo, becoming Master of Hounds and riding with the famous French riding school, the Cadre Noir.

He lived and travelled all over the world: he served in the Army in Libya, France, Germany and Singapore; in 1977, he set off to sail around the world, but fell in love with the Caribbean and stayed there for two years. More recently, he and Margaret



### Runners welcomed

**STOCKLAND Primary Academy welcomed runners from 11 local schools to take part in the first race of its famous cross-country series.**

The 1km course saw runners venture out over and through the Stockland Brook, and wind their way through a lush meadow kindly lent by the Parris family.

While congratulations were of course due to the speedy winners, the school has this year introduced a new Spirit of Cross-Country prize for those who show outstanding sporting behaviour. Three of these were awarded on the day, each for remarkable acts of generosity and courage. Well done to all the runners and all the winners!

The event cannot take place without the support of all the wonderful staff, volunteers and parents who helped marshal, organised the car parking and baked the most fantastic cakes. Thanks go to them all, and to all the Stockland villagers for their patience on this busy afternoon. The next race is on November 1st, then there is a break until February.

*Dr Lucy Shipley*

travelled extensively in Africa and Asia.

As some might imagine, there were many adventures. He sailed back across the Atlantic into the teeth of the Fastnet Gale of 1979. As Military Attache in France, he had King Charles to stay (then a young Prince of Wales). In Ireland, he developed one of the most innovative beef farms in the country. He soldiered in the desert, in the jungle and in Germany during the Cold War. His was a long and colourful life, well lived.

Jasper married his first wife, Astrid, in 1963 after meeting her while serving in Germany. Rupert was born in 1964 and Nick three years later in 1967. Sadly, Astrid died from a brain tumour when the boys were nine and six, respectively.

After his Caribbean adventures, Jasper married Sue in 1980 and soon Hamish was born. Another tragedy – this time a riding accident led to Sue's death 14 years later.

Jasper met Margaret when he was 70, and was smitten. He moved to Devon and, together, they embarked on the ambitious project of rebuilding Bay Cottage.

They then nurtured their lovely garden, and finally they started on the



**TOP, Jasper Tubbs. Above, Jasper with Margaret Martin 'on tour'**

wild flower meadow that was to become Jasper's pride and joy. For 15 years, he was very happy and content in Bay Cottage with Margaret.

Jasper leaves behind many beloved friends, three sons and five grandchildren – Felix, Minna, Emilie, Casper and Leo.

We are grateful to all of you who were his friends, and a special thanks to those of you who rescued him so often from the ditches into which he had tipped his scooter whilst travelling the lanes of Shore Bottom.

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## A lovely luncheon: so fresh and true

By Gill Metcalfe

FIRST was the church service – enter the church and the floral displays that welcome are reminiscent of spring and certainly not of autumn. Just pure joy of nature transforming the church.

Then the harvest lunch with stalwarts at the ready with stacks of covered plates with freshly cut ham literally hanging over the sides with added salad, coleslaw, beetroot and new potatoes, a selection of homemade quiches plus a multitude of dressings. Everything so fresh and true products of an immediate harvest.

This was a delicious offering with complete quiet descending on the village hall as everyone tucked in: and to follow the main course, a tasty apple crumble with a crunchy crisp topping,

completely homemade with cream or vanilla ice cream.

However, the latter was not without its challenges: the ice cream refused to exit the tub despite valiant efforts to extract it.

Armed with a massive knife there was success whilst providing for a ripple of laughter throughout. It eventually joined the dishes of crumble for which it was designated.

Then the raffle in support of the church funds. This was indeed, to quote author Joanna Trollope, “a village affair”. Once again, congratulations to the floral team, ever ready to do the church proud, and to the harvest luncheon team; what good fortune to have such ever regular volunteers celebrating village life and preserving time honoured traditions. Thank you for a truly enjoyable meal.



## Skittles euphoria

STOCKLAND ladies' skittles team celebrated its first win of the new season by defeating PinUps of Seaton by a 14-point margin: more importantly for the regulars that this was the first all-female opposition they had met in the league giving a fair contest – all the previous opponents have been men's teams or mixed with the latter usually meaning a token female player.

This win gave the team the opportunity to evaluate its true ability. Whilst the win was rewarding, players were able to judge how well they were actually playing and that on a level playing field – skittle alley – they are actually quite good.

From the onset, here was a definite feeling of excitement and as each round progressed the team could see that they were edging significantly ahead winning eventually six of the rounds and by 14 points.

Congratulations to the players – Sue Minchin (captain), Janet Fox (leading scorer), Shirley Phillips, Julia Howard, Annie Williams, Gill Metcalfe (reserve).

Gill Metcalfe

## First hub event

THE Victory Hall is set to welcome the first local event of the newly founded East Devon Hub – part of the Moor Meadows initiative – [www.moormeadows.org.uk](http://www.moormeadows.org.uk) – on November 7th at 7.30pm.

This is a community initiative aimed to support a friendly group of like-minded people to help each other in conserving, restoring and creating flower-rich grasslands. The focus of the lecture will be to present a unique talk on how to Create a Nature Reserve on an Acre (or less) transforming it into a thriving, rich area led by local resident and established wildlife conservationist Julian Pady, of Goren Farm. There will be an open question-and-answer forum during the evening.

As in all the ventures fostered by the hall, the committee very much welcomes local support so generously given by members of the parish.

Gill Metcalfe

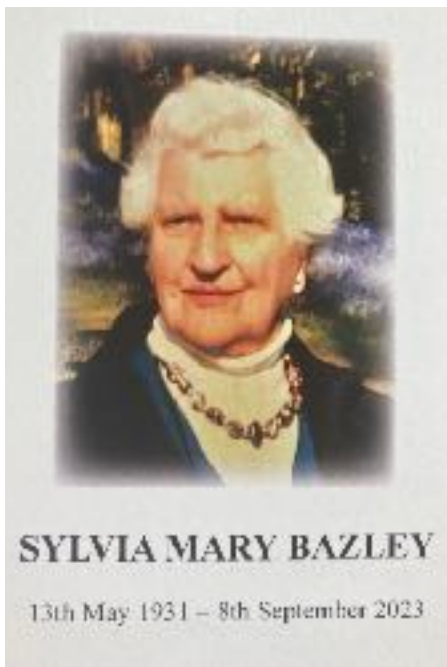


# SHUTE & WHITFORD NEWS

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## IN MEMORY OF SYLVIA BAZLEY



**SYLVIA MARY BAZLEY**

13th May 1931 – 8th September 2023

THE funeral took place for Sylvia Bazley on Thursday, September 28th and it was at the service of thanksgiving for her life, held at St Michael's Church, Shute, that it became apparent how much Sylvia's life connected with the five parishes of the mission community.

Her parents, Bertha and Charlie Rich, had their roots in Yarcombe, and several members of the current Rich family were present to pay their respects.

Sylvia was born in Axminster in 1931, but grew up in Kilminster at Mill Green, as remembered by Sheila Hill. Here, Sylvia turned one of the outbuildings at Mill Green into a studio from where she ran her own fabric printing business, Tunston Fabrics.

She drew her own striking designs and hand printed them onto curtains and tablecloths which sold well, including to the White Hart Inn in South Street, Exeter. From Mill Green, she and her

parents moved to The Old Vicarage, Shute, where they lived for over 25 years. Sylvia married Robert Bazley in St Michael's Church, Shute, in 1953. The family welcomed daughter Angela, and continued to live together in Shute running the guest house at The Old Vicarage until they moved to Sidmouth in 1972. Here, Sylvia took on a new careers as a carer in the Fourways Residential Home, and joined St John Ambulance, as well as continuing to sketch and paint watercolours in her spare time, and on holiday.

Her last few months were spent at The Seaton Nursing Home where the kind nurses and carers recognised and admired her independent spirit. She passed away there on Friday, September 8th, leaving her daughter, Angela, grandchildren, John and Emma, and three great-grandchildren. May she now rest in peace.



**A BECHSTEIN Bat**

PHOTO: Creative Commons

## Umborne residents go bats!

ANY resident of Umborne is a custodian of some of the rarest bats in Europe.

There are thriving colonies along the valley extending from the north of Wilmington, right down to the old quarry caves in Beer where they hibernate during the winter and which are designated as a Special Area of Conservation.

A group learned these facts at the latest meeting of a social group when Adrian Bayley came to talk about his work and experience with the East Devon Bat Conservation and Research Group.

Apparently, the Umborne valley provides excellent opportunities for many rare species of bats to thrive; these include cattle grazed pastures, meadows and tall and thick hedges – places where moths, flies and many other flying insects can be found and on which the bats

survive.

Adrian and his fellow volunteer bat recorders chart the bat species and colonies along the valley with the aid of bat boxes, radio tracking and ringing.

The group also learned that there are five species of the rarest bats in the Umborne Valley including Bechstein's bat which, in Umborne, have the most westerly colony in Europe.

In addition to supporting their feeding habits, the landscape supports their commuting routes to Beer caves for hibernating, mating and raising young pups.

The next meeting will be on Thursday, November 2nd in Umborne Village Hall at 1.45pm when Umborne resident Helen Coverley will be holding a workshop on making fabric Christmas cards.

*Sheila Townsend*

### SAVE THE DATE

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## YOUNG FARMERS RAISE HUGE £15K FOR HOSPISCARE CHARITY

**WHAT** a successful year for Yarcombe and District Young Farmers' Club! The club held its harvest supper on September 24th at Barleymows Farm Shop, with thank to the Burrough family for the use of this space and all at Barleymows for hosting.

There was a good turnout of over 80 people who enjoyed the evening and helped celebrate some members' achievements from the year.

It was lovely to have so many friendly faces attend, especially the guest speaker, Andy Barnes, who kept everyone entertained with a well-written speech.

Following on from the celebrations at harvest supper, the club looks back over the memories made over the past year. A message of appreciation goes to the dedicated and hard working

officers and all who have supported the club at events throughout the year, the preparation and hard work has clearly paid off.

A few of the biggest fundraising events have been: UV barn disco, charity cream tea and auction of promises and summer water party.

On Monday, September 25th the annual meeting was held where the club proudly presented a cheque of all the money that members raised this year for Hospiscare. As a group, Yarcombe and District Young Farmers' Club is so pleased to share that it raised a grand total of £15,492.02.

During the meeting, a great new team of officers was elected, who are already making preparations towards events and plans for this upcoming year.

The new young farmers' year has certainly started on a high as the new members' meeting on October 9th had an amazing 60 people attend.

It was so good to see so many new faces get involved with different games, getting to know a little about each other and enjoying themselves during the night.

Well done to the team of four who took part in the Intermediates Braintrust competition on October 5th.

The club looks forward to the upcoming events such as the wine and wisdom night on Saturday, November 25th at Yarcombe Village Hall, please contact 07946 488881 to book a team (teams of six or less).

*Yarcombe and District  
Young Farmers' Club*

## A coffee morning in the afternoon and bingo game

**FOR** the September Yarcombe Tuesday Club meeting, it was decided that the group would hold a Macmillan coffee morning – in the afternoon.

This was organised by Debbie Carter and Lorraine Hearle, who said they would like to say "a huge thank you" to everyone for their wonderful support and generosity.

The October meeting took place in

the Yarcombe Village Hall when members gathered for an afternoon of bingo.

There was a great deal of laughter when the two amateur callers suddenly remembered names for the numbers from their little experience of playing the game in the past.

As excited members won the games, they eagerly chose their prizes from a choice of a packet of crisps or a

Penguin biscuit! Halfway through the proceedings, members enjoyed a cup of tea and a biscuit and, of course, a good natter.

The remainder of the games on the card were played before a discussion on the future arrangements for the club.

It was agreed that everyone had enjoyed a different but fun afternoon.

*Pat Bright*

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*Email your contributions to your parish correspondents or direct to the editor – see page 31 for contact details*

# YARCOMBE NEWS

## HARVEST IN BLOOM



By Jean Rich

**THE** bells rang out at St John the Baptist Church when the harvest service was held on October 1st, followed by Holy Communion.

It was well attended by members from all parishes in the Five Alive where Rev Julie Lomas took the lead. David Bristol and Lucas Dear read the harvest lessons.

Prayers were read by Jessica Rich, Rosanne Derryman, Chris Rich and Barbara Salter.

For her talk, Rev Julie produced a wigwam which members of the congregation helped to decorate to demonstrate her words. Some of the food, kindly brought for the Lord's Larder in Chard, was placed inside.

The collection taken up is going to the charity Farm Africa. Julie also explained more about this charity from the chancel.

Tea and coffee was available afterwards.

Harvest lunch followed in the village hall where a four course meal came with juice or wine. Rev Julie said Grace ably assisted by two children.

The whole afternoon seemed warm and happy as older people engaged with the younger ones, having been served with a salad meal, home-made fruit crumble, cheese and biscuits and tea and coffee.



# Looking back down a memory lane of motors

By Gill Metcalfe

THE assembly of just a few classic cars in the car park of the Kings Arms, Stockland, as reported in *The Parishes' Paper*, July 2023 issue, evoked memories of a past family ownership of two such vehicles.

The vehicles affording the memory flashbacks – two Morris 8 Series E saloons. Firstly, the Morris 8 (1947): one similar being purchased in 1950 for the grand total of £200; the equivalent of £8,037.50 today and with the proof of such purchase having been retained 70 odd years later! The second Morris 8E was acquired as second-hand in the 1955.

The 1947 Morris was bought for work-related purposes, the owner being an original council employee – a new brigade of social service officers. It replaced the bicycle which had previously been the only method of transport that would take the officer to town and country – it also served a safety issue in that the said officer had been run over by the baker's van whilst on duty and suffered a broken leg and other minor fractures previously.

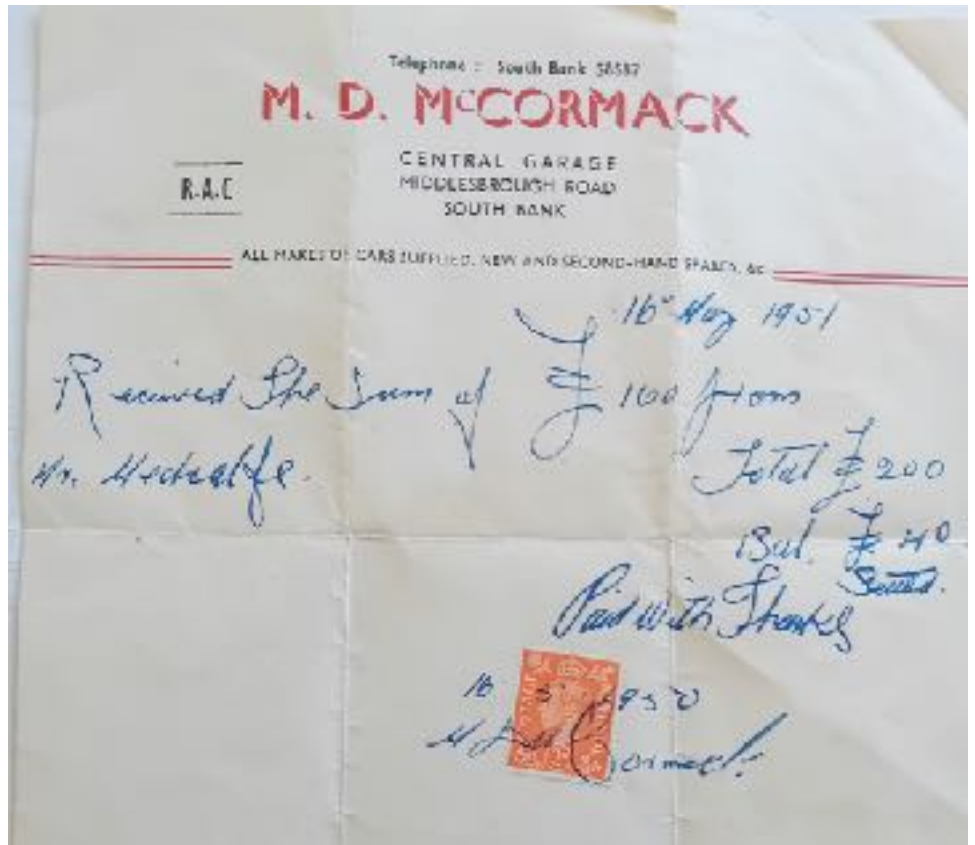
Such seemed an expensive replacement especially as motor vehicles were not exactly bought by small households in the late 1940s still under some rationing conditions and food shortages and indeed recovering from the aftermath of the Second World War.

Short journeys – visits to clients at first and then lengthier ones to Middlesbrough – visits to grandparents in what was considered the far north were also undertaken. The far north trip which had once taken in two bus rides, three rail journeys and then the mile walk from South Bank Station now took six hours-plus in the trusty steed – but miraculously just the single ride. It also took in the seaside resorts of Scarborough, Saltburn, Mask and Redcar.

The one-time work-horse purchase became both a work and leisure-related vehicle for the general population; all social history in the making.

Then the sale of said vehicle at more than the initial price – cars were still somewhat rarities – followed by the purchase of the nick-named 'bull nose' (GXA 10 plate) – yes, just like the one parked up in the Kings Arms car park!

This went further afield. Purchased in



the early 1950s, it went to France – right down to the Mediterranean coast and then into Italy.

Early forages were just over the French border but later to San Remo, Venice, Pisa and Florence. Despite the constant need to repair a broken spring whilst en route, it returned occupants and camping gear safely back to the UK for several years until being replaced by a brand-new ivory two-door Morris Minor 1000 (YUR 218 plate) – itself now a classic.

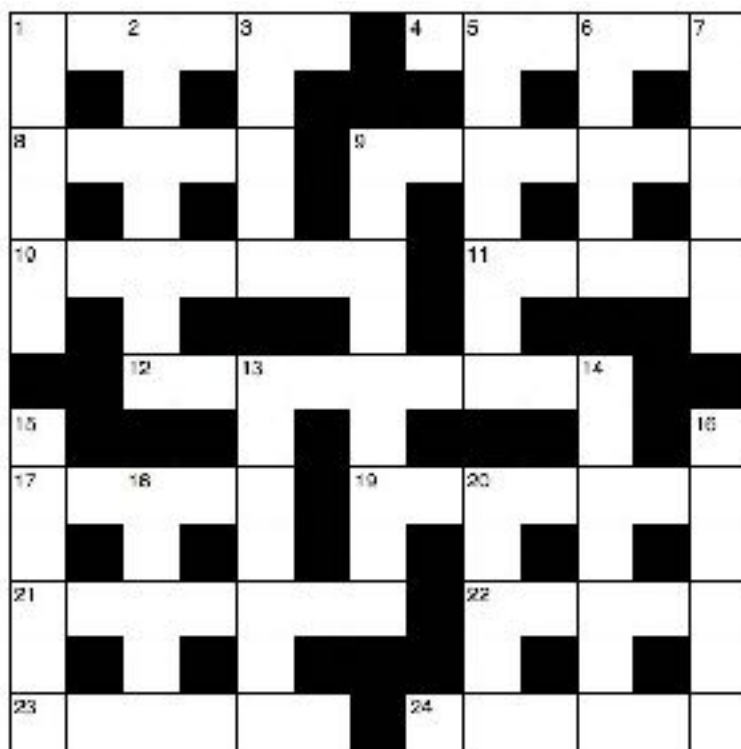
Throughout the 1950s there were several periods of petrol rationing – the

1956 Suez Crisis, for example – and then in 1972 – oil crisis – hence the additional photograph here of a full ration book. Why 'full' and thus unused?

The 1972 threat eventually did not happen – hence the none use of the ration slips: just a little bit of paper history retained.

Such memories – such a brief time capsule of motor car ownership and history – who would have thought it would catch on so? A far cry from the Kings Arms car park, but for such a short pleasurable moment caught.

# CHURCH PUZZLE



Answers - ACROSS: 1, Thanks, 4, Banner, 8, Esher, 9, Azariah, 10, Compare, 11, Isma, 12, Doorposts, 17, Oaths, 19, Galatia, 21, Papyrus, 22, Frail, 23, Listen, 24, Hyssop. DOWN: 1, Trench, 2, Ashamed, 3, Karma, 5, Ananias, 6, Neigh, 7, Reheat, 9, Areopagus, 13, Observe, 14, Satraps, 15, Compel, 16, Gallop, 18, Tapes, 20, Lofty.

## Across

- 1 'The Lord Jesus... took bread, and when he had given —, he broke it' (1 Corinthians 11:24) (6)  
 4 'He has taken me to the banquet hall, and his — over me is love' (Song of Songs 2:4) (6)  
 8 Surrey town that hosts the National Christian Resources Exhibition (5)  
 9 Also known as Abednego (Daniel 1:7) (7)  
 10 Liken (Isaiah 40:18) (7)  
 11 A son of Etam, descendant of Judah (1 Chronicles 4:3) (5)  
 12 A part of the temple where the blood of a young bull was to be smeared (Ezekiel 45:19) (9)  
 17 'They make many promises, take false — and make agreements' (Hosea 10:4) (5)  
 19 Roman province to which Paul returned after evangelizing it on his first missionary journey (Acts 16:6) (7)  
 21 Material used to make baby Moses' basket (Exodus 2:3) (7)  
 22 'And feeble as —, in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail' (5)  
 23 'The watchman opens the gate for him, and the sheep — to his voice' (John 10:3) (6)

24 Stalk carrying the sponge of wine vinegar given to Christ on the cross (John 19:29) (6)

## Down

- 1 Elijah dug one round the altar he built on Mount Carmel and filled it with water (1 Kings 18:32) (6)  
 2 'I am not — of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes' (Romans 1:16) (7)  
 3 Buddhist term relating to belief in reincarnation (5)  
 5 Damascus disciple who, at God's command, restored the sight of the blinded Saul of Tarsus (Acts 9:12) (7)  
 6 and 16 Horses: their sound (Jeremiah 50:11) (5) and their gait (Joel 2:4) (6)  
 7 A three (anag.) (6)  
 9 Athenian council addressed memorably by Paul (Acts 17:22) (9)  
 13 Abide by (Galatians 3:5) (7)  
 14 Persian princes (Daniel 3:2) (7)  
 15 Force (Galatians 6:12) (6)  
 16 See 6 Down (6)  
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 20 How the cedars of Lebanon are described (Isaiah 2:13) (5)



## THE SEASON THAT GLITTERS...

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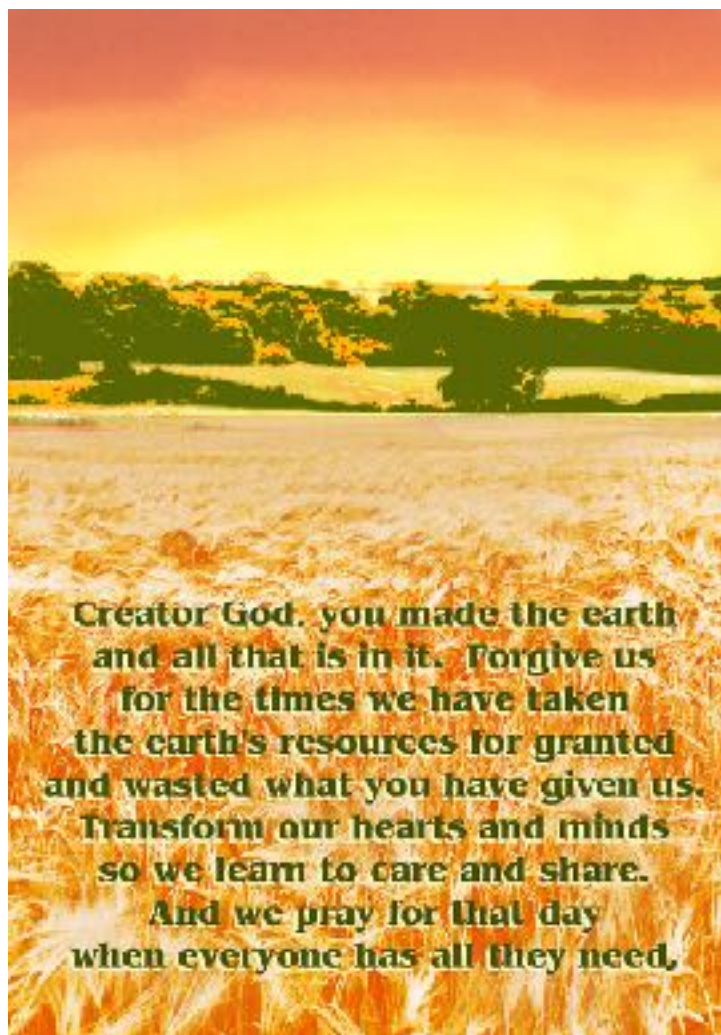
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Tuesdays, 10am-12pm	The Baptist Church, Kilmington	Post Office Services & Community Cafe with free refreshments
Mondays 2pm Wednesdays 10am	St Giles' Church, Kilmington	Baby group every week including school holidays. Contact Mary Tyler 01297 34958. See poster for more details.
Wednesdays, 9:30am (term time only)	The Baptist Church, Kilmington	Tummies, Toddlers & Tinies - A group for toddlers and tinies with their parents/carers. Suggested donation £1.
Wednesdays, 2pm	The Baptist Church Kilmington	The Beacon Home Group
Thursdays, 10am	The Baptist Church, Kilmington	Just for You' Ladies Bible Study Group (term time only)
Fridays, 10am-12pm	St Giles' Church, Kilmington	Coffee Shop
Fridays, 9:30am-11:30am	Stockland Victory Hall	Stockland and Yarcombe Toddler Group - contact 07951 958327
Alternating Fridays, 6:30pm	Stockland Victory Hall	Stockland Youth Club - every other Friday evening
Tuesday, November 7th 10:30am	The Baptist Church Kilmington	Messy Sparklers (A group for toddlers and their parents/carers).
Wednesday, November 8th 6:45pm for 7:15pm	Kilmington Village Hall	KCC 'Lion' (PG) To book email watsjohn307@gmail.com
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Sunday, November 12th 9:45am	The Baptist Church, Kilmington	Joint Remembrance Service with St Giles's Church.
Tuesday, November 14th 10am	The Baptist Church, Kilmington	Create Craft Group.
Friday, November 17th 7:30pm	The Beehive, Honiton	A musical concert in Memory of the last Tim Philips, see poster for more details.
Saturday, November 18th 8am	The Baptist Church, Kilmington	Men's Breakfast.
Saturday, November 18th 3pm	Dalwood Village Hall	Three Good Men The music of Benny Goodman with Nick White - t.mackenney111@btinternet.com
Saturday, November 18th 6:30pm	Stockland Victory Hall	Stockland Tennis Club 'Wine & Wisdom'. See advert for more details.
Tuesday, November 21st 12:30pm	The Baptist Church, Kilmington	Community Contact Lunch.
Wednesday, November 22nd 10:30am	St. Peter's Church, Dalwood	12-year-old Ezra Jefferies, concert on organ and piano. Free entry, coffee/biscuits. Collection for Shelter Box.
Friday, November 24th 7:30pm	Stockland Victory Hall	A meeting about the Stockland Turburies, see poster for more details.
December 2nd & 3rd 10am-5pm	St. Peter's Church, Dalwood	Display of UK Christmas Traditions. Contact Sue Drew 07501016393
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