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St Michael's Church, Shute; St Michael & All Angels Church, Stockland;  
and St John the Baptist Church, Yarcombe**



# ALL CHURCH SERVICES



## September 2022

DATE	Dalwood	Kilmington	Shute/ Whitford	Stockland	Yarcombe
Sunday September 4th	11am Mission Community Holy Communion at Kilmington with St Giles' Patronal Festival				
Tuesday September 6th		9.30am Said Communion			
Saturday September 10th	12noon Wedding				
Sunday September 11th	11am Family Service	11am Morning Worship for all	11am Shute Church Festival with Holy Communion 4pm Whitford Chapel Harvest Festival with picnic	11am Morning Worship	11am Family Service
Wednesday September 14th	9.30am Said Communion				
Sunday September 18th	3pm Harvest Festival On the Farm	9.30am Holy Communion		11am Family Service	6.30pm Evening Prayer
Tuesday September 20th		9.30am Said Communion			
Saturday September 24th				3pm Baptism Service	
Sunday September 25th	11am Morning Worship	9.30am Service of the Word	6.30pm Choral Evensong	11am Harvest Festival with Holy Communion	11am Morning Worship
Wednesday September 28th	9.30am Said Communion				

*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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# SCATTERING THE GOOD SEED

REV JULIE LOMAS

**"WE plough the fields and scatter the good seed on the land..."**

No doubt many of us will enjoy singing these familiar words at one or more of the harvest festival services that are coming up over the next few weeks.

During August, I was able to harvest potatoes and broad beans from seeds I had planted back in April. I even won a prize for my broad beans, pictured right, at Yarcombe Flower Show, which was a great surprise!

At the Whitford Show, I saw the largest, the longest and the weirdest vegetables on display — check out the report on page 18.

My husband, Steve, has rediscovered the simple joys of picking blackberries, and we are very grateful for the produce that has made its way to The Vicarage and is being eaten up with relish.

The lack of rain and very dry, hot weather has been welcomed by some, but not by all, and I was so pleased that our churches could be open to offer a cool space for anyone passing in need of some respite from the heat, a change of scenery or just a space to be.

Kilmington mum Kate Yarwood messaged me to say: "Thank you so



much for having the church open with the toys today. Tom and I met our friend and her daughter and spent an hour in there before going to the playground."

For me, this is the meaning of church — that the people and the building are useful to, and used by, the community, locals and visitors alike.

The buildings have stood in situ for many hundreds of years, and it is our turn to be guardians of the faith in God that they witness to, and to be as generous as we can be just as God is generous with us, giving us "our daily

bread", welcoming us even though we have messed up, asking us to love, and love again in and through our words and our actions.

The harvest hymn continues, "But it is fed and watered by God's almighty hand," and so I leave you with the thought that as we move into the month of September we do so conscious of the needs of other people, the needs of the earth, and of our climate, and asking that each of us do just one thing to show the love of God in and through our lives.

Praying for our villages — every blessing.

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# PSALM OF THE MONTH

## PSALM 55 — chosen by DAVID WILSDON

**DEPRESSION, self-pity, wanting to get away from it all, pleading for revenge — all symptoms of disturbed mental health, and which feature in quite a few psalms.**

But, and it is a big but, nearly always, as here, deep down there is sure knowledge that it is God who brings deliverance.

### PSALM 55

1. Hear my prayer, O God; hide not yourself from my petition.

2. Give heed to me and answer me; I am restless in my complaining.

3. I am alarmed at the voice of the enemy and at the clamour of the wicked;

4. For they would bring down evil upon me and are set against me in fury.

5. My heart is disquieted within me, and the terrors of death have fallen upon me.

6. Fearfulness and trembling are come upon me, and a horrible dread has overwhelmed me.

7. And I said: "O that I had wings like a dove, for then would I fly away and be at rest.

8. 'Then would I flee far away and make my lodging in the wilderness.

9. 'I would make haste to escape from the stormy wind and tempest.'

10. Confuse their tongues, O Lord, and divide them, for I have seen violence and strife in the city.

11. Day and night they go about on her walls; mischief and trouble are in her midst.

12. Wickedness walks in her streets; oppression and guile never leave her squares.

13. For it was not an open enemy that reviled me, for then I could have borne it;

14. Nor was it my adversary that puffed himself up against me, for then I would have hid myself from him.

15. But it was even you, one like myself, my companion and my own familiar friend.

16. We took sweet counsel together and walked with the multitude in the house of God.

17. Let death come suddenly upon them; let them go down alive to the Pit; for wickedness inhabits their dwellings, their very hearts.

18. As for me, I will call upon God and the Lord will deliver me.

19. In the evening and morning and at noonday I will pray and make my supplication, and he shall hear my voice.

20. He shall redeem my soul in peace from the battle waged against me, for many have come upon me.

21. God, who is enthroned of old, will hear and bring them down; they will not repent for they have no fear of God.

22. My companion stretched out his hands against his friend and has broken his covenant;

23. His speech was softer than butter, though war was in his heart; his words were smoother than oil, yet are they naked swords.

24. Cast your burden upon the Lord and he will sustain you, and will not let the righteous fall for ever.

25. But those who are bloodthirsty and deceitful, O God, you will bring down to the pit of destruction.

26. They shall not live out half their days, but my trust shall be in you, O Lord.

### Bible readings September 2022

Date	OT Readings	NT Readings
Sun 4 (G)		
Tues 6 (G)	Ps 149: 11 - end	Luke 6: 12 - 19
Sun 11 (G)	Jer 4: 11 – 12; 22 - 28	Luke 15: 1 - 10
Wed 14 (G)	Num 21: 4 - 9	John 3: 13 - 17
Sun 18 (G)	Jer 8: 18 – 9:1	Luke 16: 1 - 13
Tues 20 (G)	Prov 21: 1 – 6; 10 - 13	Luke 8: 19 - 21
Sun 25 (G)	Jer 2: 4 - 13	Luke 14: 1, 7 - 14
Wed 28 (G)	Job 9: 1 – 12, 14 - 16	Luke 9: 57 - end

## From the registers

### Funerals:

Funeral of Margaret "Maggie" Lesley Anderson at Stockland Church on Thursday, August 25th at 12.15pm

Funeral of Christine Mary "Chris" Wright, of Kilminster, took place at The East Devon Crematorium (Whimple) at 11.30am on August 23rd

### Baptisms

Christening of Olanna and Finn Henderson, children of William and Louise Henderson at Stockland on September 24th at 3pm

### Weddings

Wedding of Frances Ruth Wyatt and Henry Charles John Burrough to take place at St Peter's Church, Dalwood, on September 10th at 12noon.



# Changes for season and Methodist church events

**SEPTEMBER 1st sees the start of the Methodist year. No big parties or fireworks in celebration; in fact, it just seems like any other day.**

Historically, it has been the time when ministers start at new churches, meeting new congregations for the first time, with both sides sizing up each other. Summer, outdoor events finish, and once again organisations start meeting indoors.

During the summer, Dalwood Methodist Church has been considering some changes that it is felt would be helpful at the chapel. The coffee mornings always used to be on a Wednesday, but sometimes that meant the team could be tied up with that in the morning, and afterwards they would have to scamper to re-arrange the chapel in readiness for art club in the afternoon, as well as get home to have some lunch and be back for 2pm.

To try and ease the pressure, coffee mornings were switched to Mondays, and then Tuesdays, but neither day

seemed to suit people, so it has been decided to revert to the original day of Wednesday, at the same time increasing the frequency to once a month. It is hoped that this latest change will enable more people to come to what are friendly occasions. Funds raised always go to charities, usually those that operate in our area.

The 'tea and tots' has also had a name-change and is now known as Babies and Toddlers' Club. As before, it's open between 10am and 11.30am on Mondays (except the last one in the month), and a warm welcome awaits all mums and dads with babies and toddlers up to the age of four. If you know someone who may be interested please contact Pauline on 01297 442433 or just drop in on the day.

Apart from September 25th, when the harvest festival will be at 3pm, services during September will be at 11am, and a warm welcome is extended to all.

*Roderick Ovey*

# Digital and online donations reach East Devon churches

**IN an exciting development, all five of the Five Alive churches can now accept donations online using smartphone technology and a QR code.**

Celebrating the generosity of the community and visitors to our historic churches, people can now scan a QR code and go directly to the givealittle website to make a donation of £5, £10, £20 or other amount.

Donors will input their credit or debit card details into the secure system and are also able to opt into claiming Gift Aid on their donation as well.

Rev Julie said: "This is a really simple idea as many of us no longer carry cash, but we have technology at our fingertips to support our local churches in their work and presence in our communities.

"Our churches depend on your generosity and every donation you make means a lot to us – thank you."

Codes for each church are published on the appropriate page of *The Parishes' Paper* in this issue, so please locate your church of choice and try this new, simple system out for yourself.

**Keep the Five Alive community in touch by sending your local news to The Parishes' Paper**  
Email your contributions to parish correspondents – see page 31 for details

# Confirmation classes now confirmed!

**CONFIRMATION classes are going ahead in September as published in last month's *The Parishes' Paper*.**

So far five young people and two adults have said they would like to find out more, and we have space for another couple of people so there is still time to join in as the first meeting is on Tuesday, September 11th from 5-7pm at The Vicarage in Kilmington.

We will begin with a simple meal and then explore different aspects of the Christian faith so if you cannot get there for 5pm do come along anyway and we will begin the talk part when you arrive.

There will be four further sessions on Tuesdays, 13th and 27th September and then 11th and 25th October., and the Confirmation Service itself will be held at 11am on Sunday, November 6th with Bishop Jackie Searle (Bishop of Crediton). Please get in touch via email at: revjulielomas@gmail.com; or text on 07488 278 483; Facebook Messenger: Revd Julie Lomas; or landline 01297 35004.

Children are welcome from Yr 5. Adults welcome of all ages!



A service for bereaved parents and their families

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September 4pm

at



St. Gregory's Parish Church  
Seaton

Colyford Road (opposite the cricket club),  
Seaton  
EX12 2DF

If you would like the name of a child read out to be remembered in the service or more to find out more contact David Dickinson 01297 598392 or david Dickinson\_444@hotmail.com

# CHURCH NEWS

## St Giles' Church Annual Appeal 2022: 3rd - 4th September

St Giles' Day is on Sunday 4th September, and it is a tradition of the village to show their support to the church through support for their annual Gift Day appeal. Last year the village gave an amazing and very generous sum of over £7000 for which Rev'd Julie says a huge THANK YOU!



St Giles has been the patron saint of the Church and the Village since the 12th century, and has called people from near and afar to come together to witness all the key moments in community life. Your Parish Church continues to fulfil this longstanding tradition. Here are just some of the ways your money has been used during the past year: mourning the loss of dear friends and neighbours through our funeral ministry; celebrating with those bringing children to be baptised; offering a warm welcome to the little ones at our weekly Baby support Group along with their parents; lighting the beacon on the tower to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee; helping to combat loneliness and isolation by serving home made cakes, coffee, tea and conversation on a Friday morning; keeping the doors open and the lights on so that anyone can enjoy the peace & tranquillity of the church; and worshipping God at one of the regular Church services on offer. One of Rev Julie's biggest challenges and greatest delights was to be interviewed by pupils from Kilmington Primary School.

St Giles is also the patron saint of woodlands, and the church bearing his name is now well on the way towards being accredited as an ECO Church, making small but significant changes in the way the Church building, the churchyard, and the congregation are being encouraged to take care of all of creation – the recent survey of trees and shrubs carried out in the churchyard by members of the Kilmington Gardening Club revealed there are 26 different varieties of tree, and a further 17 varieties of shrubs. The addition of bird boxes, hedgehog houses and a "Bug Hotel" have all enhanced the outdoor space.

Of course, none of this happens without a wonderful team of volunteers who help in so many different ways – thank you to everyone who comes into the church and churchyard and plays their part. The Church does not receive any funding from any outside agency or from the Government, apart from claiming back any gift aid from donations, which means that support from the wider community all year round, and particularly at this time of year during our Annual Gift Day, is crucial to help us maintain and resource both the building and the ministry of your Parish Church. Between now and Saturday 3rd September please take a moment to look at the next page "Ways to Give" and find one that suits you. On Sunday 4th September at 11am, a special service for St Giles' Day will be held to give thanks for all that is good within our village community.

### Ways to Give

**Regular Giving by Direct Debit** – this helps us to budget more effectively. Please visit <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk>, and search for St Giles by name or by using our unique Parish Code: 150615139. If you prefer to speak to someone, you can contact the PGS team on 0333 002 1271 or if you have a smart phone please scan this QR code to go directly to our page.



**Payment by BACS** – Account name: Kilmington Parochial Church Council  
Sort code: 60-05-06 Account number: 15095266

**Online donations** – please scan this QR code to be taken directly to the St Giles online donation page, where £5, £10, £20 or an amount of your choice as a single donation, or as a monthly gift.



**Cash or Cheque donations** – attached to this letter is an envelope which can be used to send a donation to £. Cheques made payable to Kilmington PCC. These should be returned to the church on Saturday 4th between 10am – 4pm where I, and other members of our PCC (Parochial Church Council) will be present at St Giles' Church, to welcome you with some refreshments and time for a conversation. If you would prefer for someone to collect your envelope please telephone me on 01297 35004 and I will arrange for a member of the Church to visit you.

**Gift Aid** – If you pay tax we can claim 25% extra on your donation from HMRC at no cost to you. Please tick the box and fill out the information needed for this to happen.

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## PARISH WEDDINGS



Photos: Rev Julie Lomas

THE wedding of Mark and Lucy Amos-Ramkoleea, pictured, took place on Friday, August 5th at St Michael's Church, Shute.

The wedding was conducted by Rev Julie Lomas in the presence of around 100 guests.

The bridesmaids were their

daughters, Maggie, Biba, Jeanie and Antonia. The witnesses were the couple's two brothers, Jonathan Amos and James Ramkoleea. The church was beautified with wonderful flower arrangements by Rozanne Bulmer, who also assisted with the day.

*Bijan Omrani*



MR and Mrs Broad, pictured, were married in St Michael's Church, Stockland, on August 20th.

Kathryn and Ross have made their home in Broadhayes House and are pictured at Broadhayes Chapel, having signed the Marriage Document in front of witnesses Brenna Dobbins and Adrian Scholtz and over 100 guests.

We pray God will bless their marriage and their home.

*Julie Lomas*



**STUNNING**  
flowers by  
**Rozanne**  
**Bulmer,**  
above,  
and the  
order of  
service,  
left

SEAN Spiller, of Stockland, and Becky Dorson, of St Austell, Cornwall, pictured below, were married on March 5th.

They have been living in the parish for 15years.



Photo: Maxy Maxwell



# DALWOOD NEWS

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A VILLAGER is calling for all residents to support a petition to improve the condition of Dalwood's "unsafe" roads.

Rob Beak is asking all Dalwood residents and road users into and through the village to support this "most urgent petition".

"Dalwood's roads and lanes are in an appalling and unsafe condition," he says.

"To make Dalwood's roads and lanes safe for all using the main road into Dalwood, especially from Carters Cross into the village and in Sheppard's Knap, from Lea House to Sunnylands Cross — which are in a particularly dangerous condition and in need of urgent and immediate complete re-surfacing.

"Other lanes into and through Dalwood also need most urgent and

## VILLAGE ROADS PETITION PLEA

immediate attention.

"Your support is needed, alongside that of Dalwood Parish Council, to insist East Devon District Council and Devon County Council Highways to use your taxes to ensure your safety on Dalwood's roads and lanes.

"Please show your support and sign our petition."

Petitions will be in Dalwood Community Shop, The Tuckers Arms, Dalwood Village Hall and The Folly

Nursery.

Rob adds: "You may also want to write to your MP, Richard Foord: richard.foords@libdems.ork.uk and Iain Chubb EDDC and Devon County Councillor: iain.chubb@devon.co.uk to canvas their support for your right to drive, ride and walk on safe roads in Dalwood.

"I plan to return the signed petition to the next parish council meeting in early September."

**NOTE THE NEW DAY!**

**DALWOOD METHODIST CHURCH**

invite you to a

**COFFEE MORNING  
AT THE CHAPEL**

**WEDNESDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

**10-30 AM - 12 NOON**

**WITH A "BRING AND BUY" STALL**

**IN AID OF**

**DEVON AIR AMBULANCE**

**DO COME AND ENJOY A  
CUPPA AND A CHAT!**



**LOVE YOUR  
COMMUNITY?**

**LOVE  
YOUR  
CHURCH**



Dalwood Parish Church has been making a difference at the heart of our Village for hundreds of years.

Like many charities, we rely on **generosity** to fund our work.

Could you support us to help transforming lives now and in the future?

Please scan this QR code,  
or leave a donation in the wall safe inside church.

Your **generosity** means the world to us.

**THANK YOU.**





# DALWOOD NEWS

## Couple celebrate 25 years in the village

By Michael Dods

ROB and Shelagh Beak celebrated 25 years in Dalwood on Saturday, August 6th.

They wanted to share how much they love living in Dalwood and to thank friends and neighbours who had made them so welcome.

Lots of people in Dalwood would want to reciprocate their thanks and thank them for all they have brought to the village.

Over the years, Rob's photographs have been featured in the calendar, he was a governor at Dalwood Primary School, served on the village shop committee, and was a village hall

trustee. Corrydale is not the same without him.

Shelagh has been the shop committee secretary for many years. They organise the Sainsbury's order for the shop and continue to do much more.

If a lift to the hospital is needed or anything else that they can help with, they are often the first folks to offer. If you are 'home alone' they make sure you are looked after and invite you to a meal with them.

Thank you, Rob, and Shelagh, for being you. Dalwood is a richer community with you both in it.

They have brought so much to village life.



**Flower rota for  
St Peter's Church, Dalwood  
September 2022**

3rd - Jo Flint  
10th and 17th - Shelagh Beak  
24th and 1st Oct - Claire Pace



### Dalwood Community Shop and Post Office

**YOUR shop is here for your convenience, saving YOU time and petrol**

**With fuel prices so high and the cost of living rising : SHOP LOCAL**

**We accept cash and all major credit cards**

**email: [dalwoodcommunityshop@outlook.com](mailto:dalwoodcommunityshop@outlook.com) tel: 01404 881401**

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**THANK YOU** for your continued support **YOUR** community shop cannot survive without it

#### SHOP OPENING TIMES

**Monday- Friday: 8.30am - 5.30pm**  
**Saturday: 8.30am - 4.00pm**  
**Sunday: 8.30am - 12.30pm**



#### POST OFFICE opening times

**FRIDAY 10am - 12.00pm**



IN the first week of August, the Beacon became a detective trainee school, as the Baptist Church Kilmington hosted its annual holiday club.

This year's theme was Mission Rescue, and combined the spy theme with the Biblical story of Moses, and God's rescue mission to free His people from slavery. It was a fantastic week of fun, laughter, games, puppets, songs and water balloons.

It was so great to welcome over 50 young people aged 5-11 through the doors each day and see them have fun together and grow in confidence. While they may have entered on day one feeling slightly timid and unsure, by the following day they were at ease and at home. It was so brilliant to see relationships and friendships blossom over the week, and to also see the young people work together as a team.

On Friday afternoon we enjoyed the 'sausage sizzle', where parents, carers, family, and friends were able to join their young people, and get a taste of what they had been up to all week, while also getting a taste of

# Mission Rescue is huge success

some delicious food put on by our catering team. The young people put on a really great show, sharing what they had learned and singing some of their favourite songs. It was so good to see them and their families having fun together.









The week culminated in our Sunday morning Holiday Club celebration service, where again it was great to welcome our Holiday Club families, and our church family together to share in and celebrate all that had been going on. Each child received a prize and a certificate for all their efforts, and once again the children put on a great show for all who attended. We also explored the story of Moses and reflected on how it was relevant for us today.

One thing that has been really

special to celebrate this year is our ever-growing team of young helpers. These young teens were once attendees of Holiday Club, and loved it so much, that they now want to come back and serve as part of our team. It was great to see them at work and give considerable time and energy to making the week a success.

There are too many people to thank for making the week so special. We have an amazing team of volunteers, both up front and behind the scenes, that go above and beyond to make Holiday Club the fantastic resource it is. Most of all, our Holiday Club leaders deserve so much credit for organising, facilitating, and running such a fantastic week. The work they put into it is astounding.

Mike Hudson

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SEPTEMBER 2022 EVENTS		SEP & OCT 2022 EVENTS	
<b>WHERE THE CRAWDADS SING (15)</b> <b>Sat 3 Sep 7.30pm Adults £7.50, U16 £6.50</b> Mystery-thriller adaptation of the best-selling novel, starring Daisy Edgar-Jones (Normal People), as Kya, the marsh girl.		<b>NATIONAL THEATRE LIVE: PRIMA FACIE (15)</b> <b>Fri 23 Sep 7pm Adult £16, Student £13</b> Jodie Comer (Killing Eve) makes her West End debut in the UK premiere of Suzie Miller's award-winning play.	
<b>NT LIVE: MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING (12A)</b> <b>Thu 8 Sep 7pm £16, Student £13</b> Katherine Parkinson (IT Crowd) and John Heffernan (Dracula) lead in Shakespeare's romcom of sun, sea & mistaken identity.		<b>ALBERT LEE AND HIS BAND</b> <b>Sat 24 Sep 7.30pm £26 (seated)</b> Grammy award-winning guitarist who has worked with Eric Clapton, The Everly Brothers, Emmylou Harris & The Crickets.	
<b>THE ALTER EAGLES</b> <b>Sat 10 Sep 7.30pm £18 (seated)</b> A two hour celebration of The Eagles, one of the best-loved bands of all time. <i>Hotel California, Take it Easy, Desperado</i> etc.		<b>ROYAL OPERA CINEMA: MADAMA BUTTERFLY</b> <b>Thu 29 Sep 7.15pm £17, Student £11 (with subtitles)</b> Puccini's heart-rending opera is about a young geisha who falls in love with an American naval officer.	
<b>JOYRIDE (15)</b> <b>Sat 17 Sep 7.30pm Adults £7.50, U16 £6.50</b> Olivia Colman stars in this charming new Irish drama in which a boy accidentally ends up on the run with a mum and baby.		<b>DROP IN THE OCEAN + SUPPORT: THE DILLY BOYS</b> <b>Fri 30 Sep 8pm £13, Under 25 £10</b> An infectious blend of reggae, ska and dub fusion which will make for a fabulously energetic live show.	
<b>THE BEEHIVE FOLK CAFÉ</b> <b>Wed 21 Sep 7.30pm Free entry</b> Everyone is welcome to come along to sing or listen in the Beehive bar with our lovely folkie host, Sue King.		<b>BSO ON YOUR DOORSTEP: HOMELANDS</b> <b>NT LIVE: JACK ABSOLUTE FLIES AGAIN</b> <b>HOWARD'S END</b> <b>Fri 7 Oct</b> <b>Sat 8 Oct</b> <b>Fri 13 Oct</b> <b>Fri 14 Oct</b> <b>Wed 19 Oct</b> <b>Thu 20 Oct</b> <b>Fri 21 Oct</b> <b>Thu 25 Oct</b> <b>Fri 28 Oct</b>	          
<b>NOSTALGIC CINEMA: A NEW LEAF (PG)</b> <b>Thu 22 Sep 2pm £4.50 includes hot drink &amp; biscuits</b> 1971 comedy drama. Everyone is welcome at this dementia-friendly screening with subtitles.		<b>The Beehive • Dowell Street • Honiton • EX14 1LZ</b> <b>Box Office: 01404 384050 www.beehivehoniton.co.uk Charity 1162412</b>	





# KILMINGTON NEWS

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## Celebrating with great picnic



By Christopher Thorne

A DELIGHTFUL Celebrate Together service was held on Saturday, August 13th with a theme of The Great Picnic, which concentrated on the story of the feeding of the five thousand.

There was much singing and praising with a small dramatisation that everyone seemed to enjoy.

The service concentrated on how the story related to today and everyone was asked to imagine that they were sat in green fields with rolling hills around them. A 'great picnic' was held. The team contrasted that fast food establishments were not available to people in times gone by unlike today and how that even if they were that many people would not have been able to afford to use them.

It was explained that Jesus got to work and how he was able to feed so many people with such little food. The food being donated by a small child. An open tin of sardines let a fish smell waft about the church with bread being broken during the play. Wheat and rye was available in jars for all to see.



Thanks goes to all that were involved to make the service such a success and the team wants to continue what Diana Mellows started at Kilminster.

Christine Thorne lead the service with Christine Mills reading the passage from Open the Book. Thanks go to the catering ladies — the food, as always, was delectable.

The service is for all but with emphasis for those with learning difficulties, for their support workers, for their family and friends.

A warm welcome awaits everyone at the next service which will be on Saturday, October 8th at 3pm. Celebrate Together services are always held on the second Saturday in the month, at 3pm, either at St Giles's Church, Kilminster, or St Paul's Church, Honiton.

## Young reader of the year?

DO we have the young reader of the year here in Kilminster?

Tom Davis, one, enjoys a browse through *The Parishes' Paper*.

We would love to hear about any other young readers who enjoy a flick through the pages of this community magazine.

Rev Julie Lomas



## Betsy's thanks

A BIG thank you goes to everyone who attended the recent Thanksgiving Service for my husband, David Pengilly, at the Baptist Church, Kilminster, and to those who sent cards or emails — I have felt really blessed to live in such a friendly village.

There have been many generous donations of money as well which will go to the Baptist Church here and to Tearfund, where the need is great at the moment, for which I thank you.

To quote that lovely hymn, "To God be the Glory, Great things He has done".

Betsy Pengilly

# KILMINGTON NEWS



YEAR 6 children at Kilmington Primary School enjoy their leavers' celebrations before heading off to secondary schools



## Villagers astounded at moth varieties

**DURING** August, David Wilsdon accepted an invitation to set up his moth trap in St Giles's churchyard.

It uses a light overnight to attract flying moths which then drop down inside a container amongst egg boxes, which gives them somewhere to shelter until the morning inspection.

A small group from the village assembled early next morning and gathered around to hear David, with some help from David Simpson, gently and methodically go through

the specimens. The variety of moths was astounding. There were some 56 different types and 26 species of all shapes, sizes and colour. But then this isn't surprising as we were told there are over 2,500 species of moths in the UK which, when you consider there are some 59 species of butterflies, suggests moths are not getting their fair share of publicity!

Thanks go to both Davids as all, young and old, had a really interesting session checking them out and releasing them.





# KILMINGTON NEWS

## Songs of praise, fizz and cakes in vicarage garden

By Elana Blackmore

ON a glorious sunny day, on Sunday, August 7th, parishioners from the Five Alive Mission Community gathered at The Vicarage, Kilmington, for fizz, cupcakes, testimonies and praise.

A group of 67 attended and thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon at with Rev Julie Lomas and her husband, Steve. Drinks and food started at 4.30pm with testimonies and singing from 6pm.

Rev Julie even had her 'dog

collar' off for the occasion. It was a very relaxed afternoon and evening where delicious cupcakes were provided by Rachel Hudson and by Barbara Woodsford. Others also kindly donated cakes and grown-up beverages.

Hot drinks were available as were soft drinks for those who preferred not to drink alcohol.

Seven parishioners shared with the group their favourite hymns and songs. Each had their own testimony to explain what the hymns and songs meant to them and what thoughts they brought to the fore.

Everyone appreciated each of them sharing their testimonies, which were quite emotional at times. It was a night filled with love and community. It was all very relaxed. God was certainly amongst the group that day; especially with the lovely weather.

Huge thanks goes to Rev Julie and to Steve for sharing The Vicarage, and their home, for the afternoon and evening.

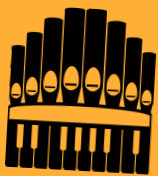
It was lovely of them to allow all the visitors time to get to know others from Dalwood, Shute, Whitford, Yarcombe and Stockland in a more informal setting — all one big family!

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# STOCKLAND NEWS

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## PAUSE FOR PRAYER

The Butterfly  
by Margaret Orford

My hands are warm to the butterfly  
I'm trying to set free.  
Delicate, frail creature of beauty,  
what can it know of me?  
I am outside its comprehension.  
It knows sunshine and showers,  
darkness and the feel of flowers.  
We do not ask it to do the impossible  
and know Man.  
So we, with God,  
who looks with tenderness upon our  
frailty,  
trying to guide us.  
Trust him!  
He knows the way and, if we let him,  
will open windows,  
and, cradling us gently in hands we  
cannot comprehend,  
will lift us up and set us free.

*Contributed by Philippa Wilks*

## 100 club winners

STOCKLAND Victory Hall 100 Club winners for June and July have been picked.

For June: number 48 Jasper Tubbs £20; number 23 Jill Mills £10; number 69 Jane Yates £5.

Winners for July: number 90 Tim and Shirley Phillips £20; number 73 Margaret Martin £10; number 84 Jane Wedlock £5.

*Monica Parris*

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**PROUD parents**  
**Charlie and**  
**Rosy Gibson**  
**with their son,**  
**Casper**

## Moving service for Casper's baptism

By Gill Metcalfe

THE Gibson family — Rosy and Charlie and Caspar — send their warm thanks to all at St Michael's Church, Stockland, for creating the most perfect day for the baptism of Caspar on Sunday, August 7th.

The service, led by Rev Julie Lomas,

was exceptionally moving. The family were most grateful for the thoughtful words and encouragement given and for making all their family and friends feel so welcome.

They were also delighted to receive Caspar's book — The Big Bible Storybook — commenting: "We can't wait to put it to good use!" and thanked all who attended.



# STOCKLAND NEWS

By Andrew Smith

WHAT is 'lookering'? As part of the Conservation Management projects to protect Stockland parish's turbaries, small groups of ponies are brought in to graze the land over the summer months.

Others can explain the benefits the ponies bring far better than I can so I will just concentrate on what being a lookerer entails, from my perspective.

Last year, I answered a request for volunteers to become a 'lookerer'. I was relieved to be told that I needed no experience with horses or ponies and the whole point was to check and keep a watchful eye on the Exmoors and Dartmoors throughout the duration of their stay in Stockland.

I approached my allotted duties with a certain amount of trepidation. After some guidance and encouragement, generously given by Heather Burnett, I joined a small band of volunteers. There were two groups of ponies. One was located on Quantock Common and the other on Bucehayes. Along with two other volunteers I would perform 'lookering' duties on Quantock every third week on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. For me, each visit would take about an-hour-and-a-half. I found I only needed to spare a few hours each month.

A typical morning: After driving to the point where the landscape prevents any further vehicular progress I then set off, on foot, with a small bucket of pony nuts, and a whistle. My route takes me along part of the Quantock Common Permissive Path. At the start, I am welcomed by a sign which includes a recommendation to wear Wellingtons! The path is also signposted with little green arrows which, thankfully, have not been subjected to any form of sabotage. I soon encounter my first challenge. A small boggy crossing which is easily traversed by gingerly stepping across an ancient abandoned raft planted firmly in the mud.

I then continue along the trail, part of which is along the top of an ancient bank. Next comes a short hop over a very narrow gurgling stream after

## Is 'lookering' for you?



**PONIES on Quantock Turbary**

*Photo by A Howard*

which the trail winds its way through various ferns, mosses and more trees that have finally called it a day. Almost there, I then encounter a stile. This construction, I might add, has recently been upgraded.

With the day's task in sight and just a few metres to go, I stumble along the path which runs alongside the base of a pond. I come across a couple of muddy patches that serve to remind me of the footwear advice at the start of the walk. These muddy areas have been created by the pond overflows. At least I think these are overflows. A leak in the retaining banks could be a problem! A field gate signals journey's end — only 10-15 minutes from my car.

The 'lookering': I am now on a clearing where the ponies are to be fed the pony nuts (food with vitamins). A couple of minutes at this point is taken to decant equal quantities into individual truckles. Then, with a few quick blasts on my referee's whistle, I would summon the ponies. Not a herd but more like a family. Last year's contingent consisted of four Exmoors and four Dartmoors. On most occasions, after a few minutes, they would appear from the hidden depths of the Turbary. However, this year there are seven Exmoors and despite my expert whistling renditions, they often fail to make an appearance. They may not have been observed on this occasion but on subsequent visits, they would be waiting for their treats.

This is the stage where the volunteers just observe the ponies for 20-30 minutes to make sure that they are all OK and eating and show no signs of distress. After several minutes, playing football with the now empty truckles, the penny finally drops and they all start to wander off in search of richer pickings. It's now time to pack the truckles away and repeat the earlier challenges and journey back to the car.

There is undoubtedly a degree of satisfaction in knowing that the ponies are content. Also, not forgetting, I have just subjected myself to some modest exercise and fresh air at the start of the day. More often than not my spirits have been lifted and working largely on my own adds to the experience. I am able to pick my own time of day to visit. I prefer early mornings.

I originally intended to become a lookerer for the 2021 season. However, I enjoyed the visits to the Quantock Turbary and agreed to carry on for a further year but more volunteers are needed for the future.

Lookering is not difficult. It is only required during the summer months and early autumn.

If you think you might be interested, I and I am sure my fellow lookerers would be pleased to show you what is involved. Who knows, you may feel like giving it a try.

For more information, contact Andrew Smith on 01404 881533 or Heather Burnett on 01404 881781.

# STOCKLAND NEWS

By Gill Metcalfe

MOVING home is certainly a challenge — ranked number two in the most stressful of personal experiences list. Sorting out the 'new' house, getting it just right with painting and decorating and for many much more, even to knocking the lot down — stress may be the wrong word!

Despite it, there is the laughter or perhaps the pure disbelief side of the move, especially within the Stockland parish, where many of the properties are somewhat old in their build. Indeed, what secrets does the 'new' home hold, what gems have been left behind?

An initial list from the local incomers offers an Indian metal figure of perhaps a horse or cow or sheep — all questioned, a dozen or so of Wills Whiff cigarette cartons, a candelabra (unfortunately not silver), miniature horse shoes which turned out to be not such but those ranging from child to adult footwear.

Perhaps having sorted the interior finds of the property there is then the

## All sorts to be found in 'new' parish homes

garden and its cultivation unless of course fortunately the previous owners were avid horticulturists and basically the need is to sort out the identity of the planting before weed removal.

Once the garden is on the renovation agenda, the question of what might be hidden where the new rose bed is to be planted?

One garden find must surely top all others with the owner digging flower beds only to unearth a massif oiled tarpaulin sheet! The mound it covered was large but went unnoticed for some time. This was buried so deep that the mass covering it suggested a sinister outcome. The initial thoughts were: far too large for a body; 'if it's an E-type jag it's mine' and perhaps it is best left alone. These finds still actually belong to the genuine owner. Much bigger a discovery than the truly hoped-for

vehicle though not as potentially valuable — a 1930s muck spreader (plated made in Axminster) in a surprisingly outstanding condition: even the woodwork.

Despite advertising there were no-takers though eventually a loving home was found. Caution was shown in any further digging and planting in the said area of the muck spreader burial especially when the fork hit heavy metal with both arm and shoulder vibration strongly felt. The hit was reportedly part of a 1960s Ford Anglia!

Most finds tell a story — often revealing some history or some insight into village life. For example, an early seed drill spotted in the village recently — invented by the Chinese originally — and a beautiful brass fender guarding the dahlia and gladioli planting in a local garden.

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**BOTH discovered in Stockland — above, a seed drill, circa unknown. Right, a seed hopper with manufacturer labelled as JJ Down – Lanson**  
Photos: Gill Metcalfe





## New historic discovery on show at church open day

By Bijan Omrani

**NEWLY-REDISCOVERED** historic documents which illustrate the history both of Shute church and Whitford Chapel will be put on display at a Shute church open day in September.

At a tidy-up of St Michael's Church, Shute, in August by a team of volunteers led by Rev Julie Lomas, an old wooden chest was discovered in the vestry.

On inspection, the chest was found to contain the original plans for the 1868 refurbishment of Shute's church, and also the original plans for the Whitford Chapel dating back over 100 years.

The plans are of great historical significance, as well as being very beautiful documents. The 1868 plans for Shute were drawn by the Exeter-based Edward Ashworth, who is widely considered to be the Westcountry's leading church architect.

The plans for Whitford Chapel were drawn by the then vicar of Shute, Rev Stanhope Nourse, who was a talented scholar, artist, and draughtsman. The story of how he campaigned and raised funds for the chapel has been carried in an earlier issue of this magazine, and is also related in the Guide to Shute Church.

The plans will be displayed at an open day at St Michael's Church on Saturday, September 10th, from 10.30am-12.30pm.

The churchwarden, Dr Bijan Omrani, a local historian who has researched the history of the church and parish, will be on hand to offer informal tours and answer any questions about the



**NEWLY-REDISCOVERED original plans for the altar at Whitford Chapel, designed by Rev Stanhope Nourse, c. 1905**

Photo: Bijan Omrani

church's history.

The organist, Peter Lea Cox, will also be available for some of the time informally to demonstrate the capabilities of the historic 18th Century church organ.

Teas, coffees, and light refreshments will also be available. The open day will raise funds for the Devon Historic Churches Trust as well as the church itself. Please join the event to discover more about the history of this wonderful building.

## Celebration for harvest festival and saint's day

A SPECIAL celebration service will be held at St Michael's Church, Shute, on Sunday, September 25th at 6.30pm to mark both harvest festival and also St Michael's Day, the church's patron saint.

The service will be followed by food and refreshments for all. Further details will be circulated by the village email list.

## Sad passing of Gwenda in August

THE Parishes' Paper is very sorry to announce that Gwenda Easton passed away on the morning of Tuesday, August 2nd.

Together with Peter, her husband of 70 years, she was a great supporter of the community in the church and parish.

There will be a chance to celebrate her life at a memorial service at Shute; date to be confirmed.

# SHUTE & WHITFORD NEWS

WHITFORD Summer Show was a huge success with so many visitors enjoying a wonderful afternoon out.

The village was buzzing with activity and certainly showed village life at its best.

It was great to see all the surprised faces when they saw the field transformed into a country fair, being the first time for many a visitor.

It always amazes me that whatever the growing conditions, the entries in the horticultural tent are always well above the general standard. The judges continue to sing their praises for the growers. The marquee was full of happy people enjoying the wonderful displays and it was a joy to see such interest being taken and wonderment as to how they were achieved.

All afternoon the Chard Brass Band entertained the crowds whilst they were enjoying the delights of the many stalls, the dog show, classic cars, tractors, steam engines, sea shanties from the Jurassic, and delighted children with their faces painted.

Thanks go to everyone who supported the show by helping, coming along or by making contributions to the various stalls all of which helps make a truly successful day.

We would be delighted to hear from anyone who would like to join our committee and help with getting this traditional show ready for 2023.

**Maureen Davey**  
Chairman

## SHOW TIME!



**ABOVE, crowds at the Whitford Summer Show. Left, an entry for the show by Billy Orson, four**



### CUP WINNERS

Pole Cup and voucher: Section C & D - Chris Loud; Dr M F Bridie Cup and voucher: Section A & B - Chris Loud; Committee Rose Bowl: Exhibit of sweet peas - Harvey Bell; Fred Wilmington Memorial Cup: Flower arrangement section F - Angela Sansom; Earl Carter Cup: Collection of onions section A - Harvey Bell; Arthur Bliss Cup: Vegetable selection A - Chris Loud; Moore Cup: Most prize money in sections B & D - Harvey Bell; Colcombe Wood Rose Bowl: Best rose - Harvey Bell; Fil Loud Cup: Best dahlia - Chris Loud; The Jim and Phyll Hallett Memorial Cup: Best gladioli - Alison Snowdon; Peggy Mitcham Cup: Section G 7yrs and under - George Sutcliffe; Bakers Cottage Bowl: Section G 8-12yrs - Patrick Bartlett; Shute Horticultural Society Cup: Most prize money in section F - Angela Sansom; Shute Cup: Cookery & preserves - Mary Thomas; Sylas J Stunt Rose Bowl: Handicraft section - Tracey Doel; Whitford Family Shield: Bake off adult and child - The Bartlett family.



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# YARCOMBE NEWS

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## Remembering George well

By Lesley Sutton

YARCOMBE Baptist Chapel was full of friends and family members who had come to pay their respects and share remembrances at a service to inter the ashes of George Bright on Sunday, July 31st.

Thelma Clarke led the worship and Pat Bright, who had arranged the service, was able to tell everyone about his most happy and well led life.

At this sad event she was pleased to be able to share the news, of which George would have been inordinately proud, that their son, Rob, had been posthumously awarded the NEMIT Award for Non Destructive Testing on metals. This award is presented by the British Institute of Non-Destructive Technology and was set up to recognise examples of outstanding effective use of NDT over a period of 5-10 years.

It was something of which many of the family were not aware and Rob had unfortunately passed away a few weeks before George, adding to their sorrow.

Mary Smith read the poem, The Dash, by Linda Ellis, explaining that the dash between birth and date of death on a headstone was in fact the most important part of life.

Pat listed many of the things George had packed into his life. A very cultured man devoted to his family, great fan of West Ham — indeed playing football himself until he was over 40 — together with great interest in many other sports, travelling, gardening, reading and life in general.

Pat and George had known each other for 64 years, married for 60 and were fortunate to be able to celebrate their diamond wedding.

George had been in the RAF and had hitchhiked home to UK through Europe from Malta after a posting. He worked, in various capacities, for British Airways for 42 years loving travelling which helped enable him to visit 101 countries with more in the pipeline!

He joined in many of the village activities, his love of roses and of gardening in general lured him onto the Flower Show committee whilst winning many prizes for his produce.

He played skittles, and croquet and gave wise and considered opinions at the Friday Forums. He was a slow but avid reader and retained knowledge which came to be valued at the quizzes! He did enjoy his singing and was one of the founder members of Maggie's Men, later Maggie's Mix.

Maggie Lane read one of the group's favourite pieces taken from psalm 91, On Eagle's Wings, as her tribute, telling how George was always smiling, music sorted and well behaved at choir practices.

Thelma led prayers a collection was taken and John Robinson read the poem, A Life Well Lived, before the congregation followed the family to the churchyard for the burial of ashes.

Maggie playing Coming in on a Wing and a Prayer, one of George's favourite tunes on the organ during the withdrawal.

The urn was lowered and a bouquet of red roses laid whilst final prayers and grace was said.

A fitting tribute to a well loved friend and neighbour sadly missed but well remembered.

## Looking at life and emotions at family service

THREE large emojis were on the board at the front of the church for the August family service which had the theme of Life and Emotions.

Each one represented an emotion found in each of the three Bible stories that were read.

The congregation were asked to identify which emotion stood out as the stories were being read. The first one was the Wedding of Cana where

surprise was the dominant emotion. The second story was The Calming of the Storm with the emotion of fear and the third, Jesus turning out the money changers from the Temple, anger.

Lin then talked about how everyone also has these emotions in their lives and how everyone can deal with them with God's help. With the aid of the congregation she identified visible

physical signs of these emotions. If we take time to look for these signs in other people's demeanour, being more aware, then we as individuals could also be of help to others who were afraid or angry and show them God's love. In spite of the heat, the congregation rose to the challenge of singing Hallelu, Praise ye the Lord in both senses!

Mary Smith and Lin Box

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# YARCOMBE NEWS

## John makes 'church dash' in before charity marathon

By John Willoughby

IF you live in and around Yarcombe, Stockland and Dalwood you may have spotted me running the lanes in the early hours wearing my high-vis yellow T-shirts.

I've been running for around three-and-a-half years and, since moving from Twickenham to Yarcombe two years ago, I've had to embrace the challenge of running up and down hills! Since arriving in the Yarty Valley, it has always been an ambition to run to the coast and back; so on Sunday, September 11th I shall be running from Yarcombe to the coast at Branscombe, before returning on a route which will take me past all the churches within the Five Alive Mission Community.

It will be my longest training run ahead of my first London Marathon, which I'm running to raise money for JDRF, a charity set up to find a cure for Type 1 diabetes and researching ways to improve the lives of those living with it.

In 2020, at the height of the first Covid wave, my nephew, James, was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes aged seven. James's dad, my brother-in-law, works overseas on assignment in the Army, and so my sister looks after James and his younger brother on her own most of the time. If you've never seen someone live with diabetes, it's pretty humbling. Weighing out all your food, eating at specific times of the day with no indulgence in between, and pricking your finger/injecting yourself throughout day to manage your insulin levels. It would be hard for any adult to cope with, let alone a seven-year-old



child, and it's really made us appreciate how lucky we are not to have to worry about this.

So, on October 2nd I shall be running the London Marathon for the first time, hoping to raise as much money as possible to support JDRF. Since I started my fundraising, I've realised just how common Type 1 is with lots of friends knowing children living with this condition.

So, to support my fundraising efforts, my longest training run will also be the longest distance I've ever run. On Sunday, September 11th my route first goes up through Yarcombe village before heading down to the coast at Branscombe, then along to Seaton before heading back, with the route passing all the other churches within the Five Alive Mission Community.

Covering 36 miles, I'll be walking the 'ups' and jogging the 'downs', passing St John the Baptist Church, Yarcombe, around 06.15am; St Mary at the Cross, Whitford, 10.40-11.45am; St Michael's Church, Shute, 11am-12.10pm; St Giles's Church, Kilminster, 11.15am-12.30pm; St Peter's Church, Dalwood, 11.40-1pm; and finishing at the Kings Arms in Stockland at some point between 12.20pm and 2pm shortly after my final church at St Michael and All Angels, Stockland.

In case you are interested to see how we are doing, my fundraising page can be found at [www.justgiving.com/fundraising/JohnandJamesJDRF](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/JohnandJamesJDRF).

And if you see me along the route, feel free to beep me some encouragement! Many thanks if you can help me smash my target.

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## Traditional tea room set for Tuesday Club

YARCOMBE Tuesday Club's August activity was to have a cream tea at John and Jane Soar's house.

Along with many others this month, it was a beautiful day, a little too hot to sit outside, but John and Jane had set the scene in their large sun room, which was beautifully laid out as a traditional tea room.

Members were served tea, scones, clotted cream and strawberry jam, which inevitably started a discussion on which goes onto the scone first!

A small raffle was held with just a few items which were left on the tombola stall at Yarcombe Terrier Races the previous Saturday, which raised £24 to add to the total of that

event.

Guests had freedom to roam round the garden, much of which has been left wild, and were pleased to see John's workshop open where he had a display of wooden items he had made on his lathe, they were beautiful.

Everyone was curious to see inside the two-bedroom lodge which the couple rent out with AirB&B.

It is really welcoming, airy and bright with a beautiful view down the Yarty Valley. Very useful for friends and family.

Many thanks go to John and Jane for a very enjoyable afternoon.

Lin Box

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## YARCOMBE WEATHER JULY 2022

	2022	2021	2020
Average max temperature	22.9°C	22.3°C	21.2°C
Average min	12.9°C	13.8°C	11.8°C
Average Overall temperature	17.9°C	18.0°C	16.5°C
Rainfall	12.8 mm	73.2mm	29.4 mm
Wettest Day	2nd 4.7 mm	5th 12.2mm	26th 14.4 mm
Sunniest Day	11th 15 hrs approx	20th 15.0 hrs	21st 11.0hrs
Warmest Day	18th 31.2°C	21st 29.7°C	31st 28.0°C
Coldest Night	4th 9.3°C	6th 10.6°C	22nd 8.5°C
Sunshine hours	202 hours approx	224 hrs	147 hrs

During the first seven months of this year I have recorded for the Met Office a total of 371.5mm of rainfall, against the last five years average of 546.2mm. According to the Met Office so far this year has been the 12th lowest rainfall since 1900. The amount of sunshine and the daily temperature has been average for this time of year.

Tony Newman



# Investigate plans for environmental actions in the area

REV Julie Lomas provides The Parishes' Paper's Going Greener campaign for September...

Week 1 — Investigate current campaigns by environmental charities like Friends of the Earth, Tearfund, Greenpeace or the Woodland Trust, and see whether you can support them.

Week 2 — Sign up to the Climate Coalition mailing list to be informed about lobby days, petitions and marches: [www.theclimatecoalition.org](http://www.theclimatecoalition.org) or join in with an event to mark The Great Big Green Week,

September 24th-October 2nd by heading to the website [greatbiggreenweek.com](http://greatbiggreenweek.com).

Week 3 — Write an email to a local councillor — for example Iain Chubb [ichubb@eastdevon.gov.uk](mailto:ichubb@eastdevon.gov.uk) — asking what environmental actions they are taking locally.

Week 4 — Write an email to our MP, Richard Foord, asking what actions he is personally taking to combat the climate emergency or to reduce pollution in the area, or another environmental priority. [www.richardfoord.org.uk](http://www.richardfoord.org.uk).

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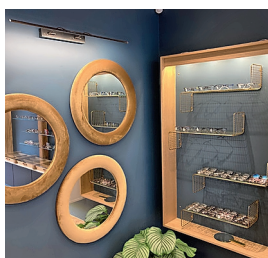
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NOW we all love a gift card; the chance to get something we want and not spend our own cash... but did you know that just in the UK, 200 million gift cards are issued each year?

The equivalent weight of of 2400 mid-sized cars — picture that, isn't it appalling! Most of them are single-use plastic which quite often we don't fully realise.

*Some things to think about:*

- Martin Lewis, money-saving expert, said on one of his programmes, that the real winners in the issue of plastic gift cards are the big retailers because so many recipients forget to use the cards;

- They may not be spent because they are for a retailer which the recipient never frequents

- Plastic gift cards are made from PVC. Greenpeace says that PVC is the most damaging kind of plastic there is, both to the environment and to humans. The PVC is made using chlorine which releases tons of toxins in to the air;

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Or perhaps go for gift experiences, maybe gifts from a charity catalogue or just plain cash (retailers still have to accept cash). How about sending a greetings card with a pledge to take a loved-one or friend etc out for a lunch or coffee and cake? Let's give the planet some credit!

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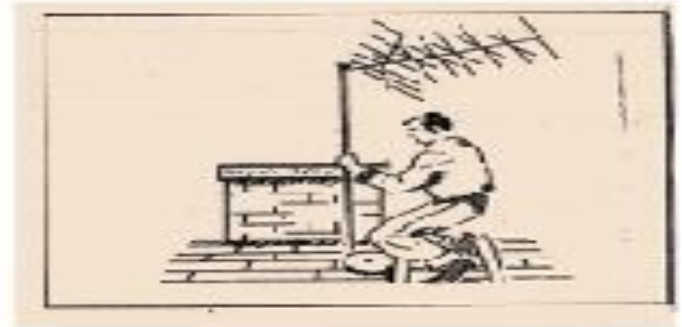
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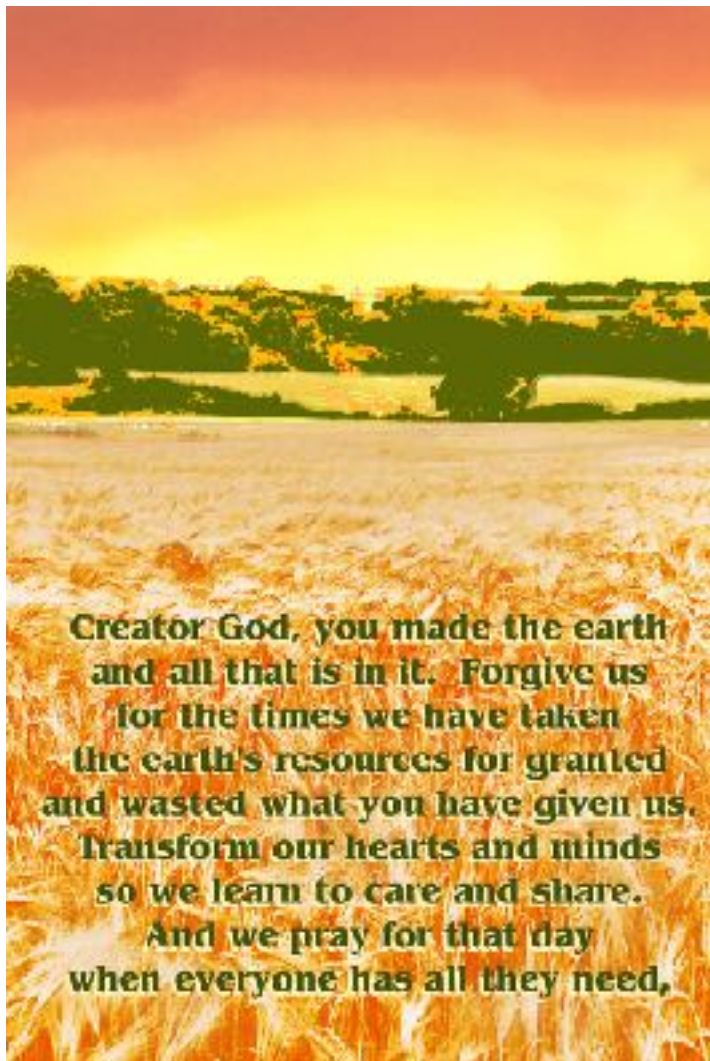
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10am-11:30am Each Monday	Dalwood Methodist Church	Babies & Toddlers – Intimate group for mothers to bring their little ones to enjoy time together. Coffee provided
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10am - 12noon Every Tuesday	The Beacon, Kilmington	Post Office – Pop up Pop Office available for walk in services. Held each Tuesday morning.
3rd September 3pm	Dalwood Village Hall	Dalwood Jazz - The Jake Leg Jug Band - The Authentic Sounds of 1920s & 30s America! t.mackenny111@btinternet.com for info
8th, 15th , 22nd & 29th September 7:30pm	Zoom!	Growing in Prayer - Contact Julie Lomas for details
10th September 10am-12noon	Yarcombe	Yarcombe Monthly Market
10th September	Kilmington Village Hall	Kilmington Village Show - See back page for more details
14th September 10:30am-12noon	Dalwood Methodist Church	Coffee Morning in aid of Devon Air Ambulance
14th Sept (6:45pm) & 15th Sept (1:45pm)	Kilmington Village Hall	Kilmington Community Cinema - Downton Abbey: The New Era (PG) Booking is essential To book email alun.evans49@yahoo.co.uk or visit www.kilmingtonvillage.com/other-organisations
16th September 12:30pm	The Beacon, Kilmington	Community Contact Lunch
17th September 2pm-4pm	Kilmington Village Hall	Cream or Savoury Afternoon Tea - £6.50pp Tickets from Barbara Woodsford 0129733777
17th September 8am	The Beacon, Kilmington	Men's Breakfast - All men are welcome!
21st September 12:30pm	Dalwood Village Hall	3 Course Lunch - £8 to book, contact Fiona on 01297 639338 or 07740 371698
22nd September 10am-12noon	St Michael and All Angels, Stockland	Coffee Morning - cake stall and raffle to raise funds for church flowers
25th September 3pm	Dalwood Methodist Chapel	Harvest Festival Service. Preacher Rev Brian Hadfield
28th September 7pm	St Giles, Kilmington	Organ recital at St Giles Church with Peter Shepherd
28th September 10:30am	St. Peter's Church, Dalwood	Coffee Concert - Sax & Guitar Duo - Katie Rook and Dave Wicken. Free Entry
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**\*Live music**

**\*Face Painting**



**Bar**



**Ice Creams**



**BBQ**



**\*Chicken Racing**



**Refreshments**

A Kilminster Community  
Association Event

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