

#### **EDITORIAL**

Best wishes to everybody for the new year and the new decade.

Mild weather in January encouraged winter flowers such as the small cyclamen on our cover. On sunny days even the birds were singing. The experience of recent years, however, suggests that any complacency about an early spring can be shattered in February by such interruptions as the Beast from the East or other storms not dignified with a name but equally unwelcome.

In this month's Postscript you can catch up with various events you may have missed over Christmas and New Year such as the harp recital, church services, the RBL coffee morning and the January talk at the Gardening Club. Our gallery of hidden talent in Kilmington now includes Lucy Doulton Mosaics. Winter sports in Kilmington tend to be of the indoor variety and a range of what is available can be seen in our centre pages. We are grateful to all involved for allowing the photography. We are also privileged to have a glimpse of some local wildlife unobserved by many, moths, trapped and released unharmed and carefully recorded by David Wilsdon between June and December last year. His findings are submitted annually to the Devon moth group who, with many others, contribute to a body of ongoing scientific record-keeping for plants and animals nationwide. Such records can, for example, provide evidence of alteration in the ranges of some species as they adapt to a warming climate by moving north, or those which cannot adapt and whose numbers are dwindling.

If you were wondering about the tree-felling on the land between Shute Road, The Hill and the A35 the Parish Council article on Gapemouth Corner will provide some answers. They also comment on parking issues in the village, the 2019 Housing Needs Survey and a new E.D.D.C consultation about budget priorities. We have obtained information about the charity Ring and Ride, as readers have warmly recommended it, especially as it offers wheelchair provision. Lent lunches will start again on Thursdays in the Village Hall. In 2014 David Ingles published a booklet, 'Kilmington at war 1914-18' telling the stories and family histories of the eleven Kilmington men listed on the War Memorial and five others listed elsewhere, and he was urged to continue with the three whose names were added after WW2. He has chosen to publish these in Postscript and his introduction to the short series appears in this edition.

Whatever the weather brings, this is a month for celebration. Do you remember last year's 'Cabaret'? The Kilmington Players are preparing another show, with supper, for February 21st -22nd. There are two golden weddings and Valentine's Day has not been overlooked.

Janfryd

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#### **DONATIONS**

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#### CONGRATULATIONS AND CELEBRATIONS

#### GOLDEN WEDDINGS IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY

#### JOHN AND GILL PERKINS

John and I met at Woodbury Hall Youth Club, Axminster. We were married on the 24<sup>th</sup> January, 1970 at St Giles' Church, Kilmington. John had a beard at the time which my Mum didn't like so she offered him ten pounds to shave it off for the wedding, which he did. That money went towards our honeymoon in London.

John and I both worked for Axminster Carpets Ltd, John as a Loom Tuner and I in the Sales Office.

We lived in Axminster for a year before moving to Kilmington, where I was born. We then moved into 4 Newtons where we brought up our three children and where we live today.

Now retired, John enjoys doing up classic cars and playing table tennis and I enjoy gardening, country dancing and skittles.

Gill



#### BERNARD AND VALERIE HARDING

The 6<sup>th</sup> February, 1970 was quite spring-like and it boded well for our wedding that was held at St Giles' Church, Kilmington. We had hoped to marry on St Valentine's Day, but as Easter was early that year it would have meant us not having flowers in the church, so we decided on the previous Saturday.

Bernard, as he lived in the village, walked down from Balfour Terrace and I had a car from my home at Marshwood Garage.

The reception was held at The Hunters Lodge Inn and we decided that we didn't want to go away at that time of the year for our honeymoon, so we went off as though we were going away, when in fact we only went as far as Taunton for a meal at the Berni Inn. We then went back to our house, 4 Gospel Hall Terrace, Axminster.

When we married Bernard worked as a driver for Morrish's Mill at Weycroft before moving to Michael Heighway's firm in Kilmington. From there he moved up to the milk factory at Chard Junction, firstly picking up milk churns and then moving on to bulk collections. On retiring he took up a part time job as the hearse driver for W G Potter.

I worked at the Primary School as the administrator for twenty-eight years and now I am the compiler for Postscript.

Bernard played football and cricket for the Kilmington teams and was also a member of one of the New Inn Skittle teams. He then took up golf until a wonky knee prevented him from playing and he has now taken up kayaking together with our daughter Marianne.

Val

We moved to our present home in Kilmington six years later. Our daughter, Marianne was two when we moved and our son, Graham, came along two years later.

#### KILMINGTON SKY AT NIGHT

During February, you might be able to see all five 'bright' planets which are those you can see with the naked eye. In their outward order from the sun, the five are Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter and Saturn. You'll spot the two evening planets – Venus and Mercury in the west not long after the sun goes down. Then

you see the three morning planets – Mars, Jupiter and Saturn in the east before daybreak. The most difficult to spot is probably Mercury and your best opportunity this year is over the next few weeks. Look low and near to the point where the sun sets and Mercury should show itself at dusk/nightfall – beneath the very bright Venus. You'll only have about an hour as it will soon dip below the horizon.

8th Full 'Snow' Moon; there is no consensus as to whether this full moon should be called a super-moon or not. It is the 4th closest of our 13 full moons in 2020 so will be big and



bright and you can make your own decision if you think it's 'Super' or not!

12<sup>th</sup> Moon and Spica, one of the brightest stars in our sky, they rise close in the east late this evening. Spica's blue-white colour shows that its surface temperature is extremely high.

 $18^{th}\ Moon\ sweeps\ by\ Mars\ \text{low in the}$  south east morning sky.

19th Moon sweeps by Jupiter low in the south east morning sky.

20th Moon sweeps by Saturn low in the south east morning sky.

27<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> Moon and Venus close - watch for the crescent moon and the brilliant planet Venus to pair up on the sky's dome over these few evenings.

Peter

# AXE VALLEY AND WEST DORSET RING AND RIDE from your own front door

This service has been in operation since September 2001 and is a registered charity running community transport for the East Devon and West Dorset area. It is provided for people with a special need for transport facilities because they are elderly, disabled, parents with young children, have difficulty with public transport or live in an isolated area.

The door-to-door service offers passengers security and comfort, taking a lot of the strain out of shopping. The fares are very reasonable with morning shopping trips to places like Axminster, Bridport, Honiton, Sidmouth and Chard costing just £5.00 return.

Word of mouth proves over and over again to be the best source of advertising and many Ring and Ride passengers have told both neighbours and friends who have subsequently joined. There is also a Passenger Club for each zone that offers a weekly afternoon trip and a day trip on one Saturday each month and is very popular with members. The subscription fee is just £10 and gives the opportunity to visit destinations such as Otter Nurseries, Sherborne, Portland, the Somerset Levels and Abbotsbury Swannery with day trips to Lynton and Lynmouth, Glastonbury, Wells, Swanage and many others.

The service covers an area from Beer to Bridport and Beaminster to Membury, encompassing many tiny rural areas in between, and offers a lifeline to many who may find other forms of transport inappropriate or simply lacking.

For further information and details about any trips available please contact our office on 01404 46520 and we shall be happy to assist you.

Jane Hopson-Hill

#### **LOST CAT**

Our cat, Olly has been missing since the 17<sup>th</sup> December from the Whitehayes Close, Kilmington area.

He is a 9 year old white cat with a ginger tail, cap and a spot on his back.

If you think you may have seen him, please call us on 07973 380292.

Thank you Paul and Krisztina Talbot



#### **MOBILE LIBRARY**

Tuesday, 25th February 2020 at 11.20 - 11.50 am at the junction of The Street and The Hill.

# WHAT'S ON IN FEBRUARY

#### STARTING THIS MONTH

#### LENT LUNCHES

St Giles' Homemade Soup Lent Lunches

Kilmington Village Hall 12.00 Noon every Thursday in Lent

£6 per head includes bread, cheese, tea or coffee

From 27th February - 9th April

All Proceeds to The Tear Fund





#### **KILMINGTON GARDENING CLUB**

#### **BBC's Nick Bailey Visits Kilmington**

Nick Bailey of BBC Gardeners World will be the speaker at this month's Kilmington Garden Club talk. He joins us on Friday, February 14th at 7.30 pm to give us the benefit of over 25 years of experience from his varied gardening career. His talk, also the title of his best selling book, is called '365 Days of Colour' so there should be something for everyone.



# Admission is by ticket only, members £5 nonmembers £10. Contact Lesley on 07900 827689 for tickets.



#### **DOWNTON ABBEY**

Kilmington Village Hall Wednesday, 5th February



The hugely popular TV series aired on ITV from 2010 to 2015 and followed the fortunes of the aristocratic Crawley family and their downstairs servants at a Yorkshire country estate.

The film kicks off in 1927, the grand house of Downton is all of a flutter and a fluster upstairs and down with news that King George V (Simon Jones) and Queen Mary (Geraldine James) will be coming to stay the night and make a military inspection of local troops: "There's to be a parade of hussars in the village!" yelps someone excitedly. But oh dear, the downstairs staff are enraged when the monarch brings in his own royal servants who pull rank on them, while the formidable Countess of Grantham (Dame Maggie Smith) is nettled to see that the Queen has brought her lady-in-waiting Lady Bagshaw (Imelda Staunton), a distant cousin with whom she has a serious beef.

Many of the cast members from the original series have returned, including Dame Maggie Smith, Hugh Bonneville, Laura Carmichael, Jim Carter, Michelle Dockery and Elizabeth McGovern.

Rotten Tomatoes (A film review site) reports: "After the film's world premiere in London, the first reviews arrived. Critics are largely united in calling the film a decent, if unspectacular, adaptation and noted it had 84% (239) critics and 94% (20,234) audience rating. Come along a see if you agree with the audience rating.

Doors open 6.45 pm when wine, soft drinks and tea/coffee are available, with the evening's entertainment starting at 7.15 pm and ending about 10.00 pm. Tickets £5.50 on the door or £5 in advance BY PHONING: 01297 639758 leave contact details and booking will be confirmed, or email: wattsjohn307@gmail.com

See http://www.kilmingtonvillage.com/moviola.html for more information about the film.

Forthcoming Films: March - "Judy", April - "The Good Liar"

Vacancy St Giles' Church Kilmington 01297 35433



#### Letter from the Churches

Pastor Darrell Holmes KBC Church Office Kilmington 01297 631638 pastor@beaconbaptist.co.uk

#### MOVING FORWARD WITH THE FIVE ALIVE MISSION COMMUNITY

Now the excitement of Christmas and the New Year is behind us and all the decorations and sparkly lights are stowed safely away, we are immersed in the winter months of short days and long nights.

Some people dislike this time of year because of the lack of light and the short daylight hours; the weather may preclude them being able to do all the activities they would like to. Certain of us though, stubborn people like me, don't carry much weight with the weather and try and get on and do whatever they wish whatever the weather — much to the amusement and, sometimes, irritation, of my nearest and dearest!

We're very lucky though, I think, to have four distinct seasons in the UK, even though they may have shifted a little in recent years. There is an awe and wonder to the seasons which reminds me of The Byrds song – people of a certain age will remember this group. A few lines of the lyrics are below:

To everything turn, turn, turn There is a season turn, turn, turn And a time to every purpose Under heaven

A time to be born, a time to die A time to plant, a time to reap A time to kill, a time to heal A time to laugh, a time to weep

To everything turn, turn, turn There is a season turn, turn, turn And a time to every purpose Under heaven. A time to build up
A time to break down
A time to dance, a time to mourn
A time to cast away stones
A time to gather stones together

The above words also come from the Old Testament book of Ecclesiastes and can be very useful to us all at the start of the New Year.

The winter months are a good time to take stock and to reflect upon the past year and to look forward to the future. This can take many forms and I have taken the unusual step of tidying parts of our house, much to the wonderment of my husband, as I rarely do this without, let us say, encouragement!

During these cooler months perhaps it's a good time for us to think about what is important to us as individuals, couples, families, friends, neighbours and communities, and move forward into 2020 positively. Clear out the clutter and start anew; that's what we're doing in our parishes this year as we rejuvenate the Five Alive Mission Community by organising a few get togethers over future months.

The first of these will be a meal on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> February at the Tucker's Arms, Dalwood, at 7.00 pm followed by a talk from Fiona Beale, Curate of The Beaminster team in Dorset, who was a stunt rider before being ordained!

Please join us! Tickets are available from Anna Crabbe at £12 each; it should be a very interesting evening.

Gill Heighway

#### CAROL SERVICE

We had a lovely candlelit carol service with nearly 150 people on Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>. The service began with the children's choir singing the first verse of Once in Royal David's City in candlelight which set the scene beautifully as their clear voices filled the church. The readers, the children and the choir anthem told the story of Christmas and in the first children's song, Rocking on the Road to Bethlehem, the children created the crib scene with the knitted nativity figures.

A short reflection reminded us that we are all able to give gifts and Evelyn Hill told us about her gift of donating her very long hair to be used to make a wig for a child through the Little Princess Trust. Congratulations to her. After the service everyone enjoyed mulled wine and

Children's choir leading the procession

mince pies organised by Liz Stonex and her team.

I would like to thank Margaret Hurford and Peter Milmer for playing the organ and piano, the choir, John Church for organising all the readers who read so beautifully, Caroline Lavender and Jenny Nickolls and team for decorating the church superbly and Eduardo, Shine, Jack, Ella, Evelyn, Maisie and Phoebe for being in the children's choir.

Anna Crabbe

Photo by Brian Lavender

#### **CHRISTINGLE**

On Christmas Eve at 3.00 pm St Giles' Church welcomed over 80 people for their Christingle Service. Rachel Burrough led the service where the Christmas story was woven in through interactive storytelling and hymns. We welcomed a few members of the choir and orchestra and their families from St Mary's Catholic Primary school in Axminster who performed beautifully throughout. A children's orchestra made up of



St Mary's students and ex-St Mary's pupils accompanied the hymns.

Anne Marsh and her helpers very kindly made the Christingles for which we are very grateful. The congregation listened to the work of the Children's Society before the children received their Christingles and once the lights were dimmed the children sang Away In A Manger; a beautiful moment.

It was a truly uplifting service enjoyed by all.

Rachel Burrough

Photo by Brian Lavender

#### CHRISTMAS CELEBRATE TOGETHER SERVICE

The Christmas tree had been beautifully decorated by Gill Perkins and Jill Collier and the church was full of light, music and laughter as The Celebrate Together Team welcomed everyone to join in a service of songs and prayers led very ably by Christine and Christopher Thorne. It began

with a welcome and the lighting of the tall candle, this was done by three members of the congregation, the youngest being Molly Givern who was just three, followed by the Birthday Song for those who celebrated that month and the receiving of a gift.

The theme was 'Christmas is coming' and the story, of how the shepherds were the first to hear the good news of Christ's



Molly McGivern, Christopher and Christine Thorne

birth in Bethlehem from the angels and how they left their flocks to see if it was true. This was acted out by members of the congregation, ending up with them gathered around the candlelit crib. Thank you to Elana Blackmore, Lucy Lane and many others, who were all brilliant. All who wished to do so hung stars on the Memory Tree while Margaret Hurford played The Calypso Carol very beautifully with everyone singing softly. It was a fitting end to the service after which everyone enjoyed a splendid tea.



Serving refreshments Pearl Hurford, Sheila Hill. Barbara Woodsford, and Val Harding

A thank you to Barbara Woodsford, Pearl Hurford, Sheila Hill and Val Harding who made cakes, sausage rolls and other good things, and to all those who helped in so many ways, making the event such a success. Bless you for coming to celebrate with us at what was a wonderful start to the Christmas Story.

Diana Mellows

Photos by Mike Tyler

#### OPEN THE BOOK

Our 'Open the Book' for December in Stockland, Kilmington and Shute schools was the story of the shepherds, the visitation by an angel and the visit to see the baby Jesus.

Some of the children from each school took part in the presentation. We sang Away in a Manger at the end. William Cope, Anna's grandson, helped as a shepherd!

Each school was presented with a Christmas card from the 'Open the Book' team of: Anna Crabbe, Diana Mellows, Caroline Nunns, Gay Atkinson, Greta Lidster and Christine Mills.

Anna Crabbe



#### VILLAGE HALL '100+' CLUB

The winners of the draw held on 2rd November 2019		on	The winners of the draw held on 13 <sup>th</sup> Decemmber 2019			The winners of the Christmas draw		
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A happy New Year and our thanks to all who have renewed their membership of the '100+' Club and to the new members who have joined for 2020. Application forms for anyone else who would like to join, at any time, are available from me at 8 Whitehayes Close or from Pauline Horwood at Blue Haze (opposite St. Giles' Church) or The New Inn.

Just to remind you, the annual cost for an individual is only £11 and £20 for a couple – and members take part in a monthly draw with the opportunity of getting their money back – or even making a profit!

Completed forms and subscriptions should be dropped off with Pauline, The New Inn or with me.

Again, our sincere thanks for supporting the Hall.

For further details, please contact Jean Falconer on 01297 33708

#### YATIMA ORPHANAGE

Our grateful thanks to all who have supported the orphanage during 2019. Support from the Baptist Church fellowship, the pavement stall in Wellmead, donations and one or two churches that we visited during the year have enabled us to send the amazing total of £3,150. This included a special gift of £150 towards the medical expenses of a lad who broke his leg.

For those unfamiliar, the orphanage is in the village of Chamazi on the outskirts of Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania. Although sanctioned by the Tanzanian government in 2001, they do not receive government aid. When we first visited them, when Juletta was teaching in Dar, they were housed in very inadequate and 'grotty' premises, but were in the process of moving to a lovely new 40-acre site paid for by an American paediatrician. Over the years, they have developed appropriate accommodation.

The founder and 'mother-figure' is Mrs Winifrida Lubanza. They now care for over 100, aged from babies to 16. They try to get older children into schools appropriate to their potential. Primary education is free in Tanzania, but secondary is mainly fee-paying.

As far as possible they seek to support themselves by cultivating part of the land and running a pig enterprise. A number of ladies from Chamazi village come to help with cooking, washing etc.

Yatima is not registered as a UK charity. We have a bank account kept exclusively for the orphanage, and send the monies collected directly to their bank in Tanzania when we have sufficient to send £500. Thank you again for your support through purchasing preserves, saving your 5ps (in phials), individual donations (including a Baptist Church donation) and gifts of seasonal fruit. Iris filled over 1,000 jars — orange, lemon and grapefruit is the best seller. If you have any queries, we will be happy to answer them.

Thank you again.

Iris and Lionel Quick

#### FIVE ALIVE OIL SYNDICATE

The February deadline date for submitting oil orders falls on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>. I would ask that members either make a request for an exact amount or if ordering a 'top up' then please submit an accurate estimate as possible with a minimum of 500 litres in all cases.

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#### SUDOKU CHALLENGE

Level: Hard

To solve this puzzle, each 3 x 3 square, row and column must contain all of the numbers 1 to 9. The solution is on page 20.

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#### AXE VALE WILDLIFE PARK

Education at the park is so important to the work that I do at the park and I have loved coming into the schools and various care homes with the animals to bring education to life. We have already started taking bookings for school visits in and out of the park. If you would like to find out more about visits from the education team please feel free to email me at education@axevalleypark.co.uk.

Our animal experiences have been very popular also with many people booking up for Christmas and birthday presents. If you would like to find out more about our experiences, once again email me at education@axevalleypark.co.uk to check availability.

Over the winter we have been busy tidying up different areas of the park and we have begun to get ready to reopen on 15th February for the half term We are looking forward to seeing you all in the park again.

> Catherine Fletcher **Education Officer**



#### **MESSY SPARKLERS**

Messy Sparklers welcomes anyone with a child under five years of age through the doors of The Beacon each month. At our January session we even had a few over fives, whose schools were still on holiday, accompanying their younger

brothers and sisters. We get babies, toddlers and preschoolers joining us, along with their parents, grandparents and carers. As people arrive they have a coffee and the children have a snack. Some meet up with friends and others arrive not knowing anyone. One of my favourite times is at the end of the session seeing everyone sitting around the tables at lunch time chatting.

The Christmas session in December was very busy and each family went home with a Nativity story book. We carried the Christmas season over to our January session where we looked at the story of the Wise Men's journey to Bethlehem. Thankfully, that session was a bit quieter – only sixty-six for lunch!

The next Messy Sparklers, for babies, toddlers and preschoolers with their parents/carers, will be on Tuesday, 4th February and Tuesday, 3rd March, from 10.30 am to 12.30 pm including lunch, first child £2 plus £1 for each

additional child. May we politely stress that we run from 10.30 am in order for the team to have time to prepare everything. Do check out our Facebook group Messy Sparklers, The Beacon, Kilmington for more information. Remember to dress for mess!



Juletta Obudo



The children made paper plate crowns, hand print camels, playdough stars and peg-leg camels. In addition to toys and books, the children could play in tunnels, with a Happy Land nativity scene, with black sparkly pulses including sparkly bits and sensory bags containing sparkly hair gel.



#### **KILMINGTON AT WAR 1939-1945**

The Kilmington War Memorial carries the names of 14 men from the village who gave their lives in the service of their country in the two World Wars: eleven in WWI and three in WWII. It is now approaching six years since I published, in conjunction with the Kilmington Branch of the RBL, the 64-page booklet 'Kilmington at War 1914-18'. This told the stories and the family histories of the eleven men killed in the 1914-18 war plus those of a further five men who also gave their lives and had strong links to the

village, but for a number of reasons are remembered elsewhere. When the booklet was published in 2014 to commemorate the outbreak of WWI, I was approached by several people who asked whether it would be possible to produce a similar booklet covering the dead of WWII. I decided that this was not a realistic project for three reasons: there were only three stories to tell, whereas I had covered a total of 28 stories in the WWI booklet (the 16 who died plus a further 12 who survived); it seemed to me that there was little known about the roles of other villagers in WWII; and it would be difficult to tell the stories against the broader background of the war as I had in the WWI booklet.

I have now decided to use Postscript as a vehicle to tell the stories of our three WWII dead: Eric Norman Lockwood; Arthur Trott; Richard John Wilkinson

Two of them served in the RAF – Arthur Trott and Richard Wilkinson – while Eric Lockwood was a naval man. My intention is to publish their stories individually and sequentially in forthcoming editions of Postscript. While I have good family contacts for Eric Lockwood and Arthur Trott, I would ask that if readers have any information on the

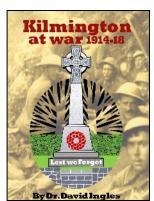


three men, or their backgrounds and wider families, then I would like them to contact me. Or perhaps you feel that there are other stories to be told about men or women of Kilmington who served in WWII and survived.

I have always been interested to link the stories of these men who died with their family and social backgrounds. I firmly believe that while the men who died, and whose deaths we commemorate, are the heroes, we must never forget the families they left behind – the parents, the siblings

and other loved ones. I am minded of the story of the Woodman family in WWI. The family matriarch, Hannah Woodman, had lost her eldest daughter in 1909 before the war broke out. She then had to bear the loss of three of her sons as well as two sons-in-law in the war, and in 1925 her husband and one of her three remaining sons also died. This lady deserves to be remembered as much as any of the men who died in service.

In the six years since 'Kilmington at War 1914-18' was published, many newcomers have come to live in the village and they may be interested to obtain a copy of the WWI booklet and learn something about these stories. I do have a limited number of the booklets available, so please contact me at <a href="dwingles@aol.com">dwingles@aol.com</a> if you want a copy. I would simply ask for a donation of £5 to the RBL.



David Ingles

#### HARP CONCERT BY ELIZABETH-JANE BALDRY

We had a wonderful harp concert, 'To Blow the Cold Winter Away', on 21st December in St Giles' Church.

Elizabeth-Jane Baldry from Dartmoor is a great artist and "draws more tone colours out of the instrument than any other harpist living in the world" according to David Watkins, Professor of Harp, Guildhall School of Music. She is the only silent movie harpist in the world, performing live accompaniment to cinema screenings of early film. Her uniquely rich tone on the harp has graced the soundtracks of films and television programmes screened in over thirty countries including America, Canada, Iceland, Kenya, Iran, South Africa, Poland and Cyprus.



The concert began with Pachelbel's Canon in D and included Somewhere by Leonard Bernstein and a delightful improvisation on Christmas Carols. Elizabeth-Jane told stories about each piece in an entertaining way. The church was beautifully decorated thanks to Caroline Lavender, Jenny Nickolls and their team. The church provided a superb setting for the concert which was enjoyed by all the people there, who also partook of mulled wine and stollen cake in the interval. Thank you to all who helped with the concert.

Anna Crabbe

Photo by Brian Lavender

#### MORE HIDDEN TALENT IN KILMINGTON

**Lucy Doulton Mosaics** 

It is a pleasure to come across people whose talents and interests have led them into work which gives them great enjoyment and satisfaction.

Lucy Tyte, née Doulton, who lives in Kilmington, has always loved art and trained at the Winchester School of Art where she obtained a degree in Printed Textiles. This has led over time to a variety of activities. She is related to the family which founded the Royal Doulton china company and worked for them for a while as an exhibition display designer, devising



She has recently helped out as a temporary teaching assistant at a primary school which she found very enjoyable, working with Year 1 and contributing backdrops for two school plays. She continues to carry out commissions from time to time and some of her work can be seen online and on Facebook. Now it is more of a hobby than a business but the quiet enthusiasm is still there.

Janfryd

suitable backdrops against which they could display their products. Later she became involved in a community project with a church in Bath, which was running a cafe and attempting to make links with various different groups, and found herself offering art classes for adults with special needs. She greatly enjoys all kinds of 'playing with colours' and found ways to enthuse and encourage them to enjoy it too. One thing led to another and what had started with small plastic hammer beads developed into creating mosaics.

The history of the decorative art of mosaics goes back a long way and ancient Byzantine, Moorish and Roman examples can still be seen. The Alhambra in Spain is full of them. Built as a



fortress by Islamic conquerors it later became a palace and is now a well-known tourist attraction. In this country archaeologists occasionally still find mosaic floors belonging to Roman villas. Some have been painstakingly transferred to museums. It continues to this day. Pictures or patterns are created from small coloured ceramic tiles, bits of pottery, glass or even pebbles, which are stuck to a firm surface or pushed into clay.

As Activities Coordinator at a residential home for the elderly in Lyme Regis Lucy discovered that mirrors, framed with a mosaic of personally chosen colours and fragments, could help to allay some of the confusion of dementia patients, especially if also engraved with a reminder of their name and that they were loved. In 2013 her mosaics became a business and later she took part in the 2014 Artsfest in Lyme Regis. In 2018 there were exhibitions of her mosaics, prints and paintings in the Malthouse Gallery in Axminster. Word of mouth and Facebook were enough to keep commissions coming and she did not feel the need for other advertising. She also ran some art workshops during the exhibitions and found that she thoroughly enjoyed these shared creative activities with all kinds of people, including those who did not consider themselves to be creative at all.



#### BRITAIN'S BIGGEST BREAKFAST

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Full Breakfast: £7.00

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#### ROYAL BRITISH LEGION KILMINGTON BRANCH

The Christmas spirit was very much in evidence on Saturday, 30th November 2019 when the Kilmington Branch of the Royal British Legion held its annual Christmas Coffee Morning. The variety of stalls ensured that all the visitors (the best turn-out ever!) had plenty of items to choose from, including beautifully hand-crafted Christmas wreaths and decorations, cakes and other Christmas delicacies, poinsettias, books and Royal British Legion goods and cards.



The Christmas Coffee Morning raised a record amount of more than £1,500 for the Poppy Appeal. We would like to thank everyone who supported the event and helped to make it such a resounding success.

The next Branch gettogether is on Friday, 7th February at the Old Inn from 6.00 pm – come and join us for a friendly drink and a chat. Looking further ahead, our Spring Coffee Morning will be held at the Village Hall on Saturday, 4th April and look out for details of our

VE Day 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary dinner/dance on Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> May. We are reviewing the planned trip to France in September – more information to follow.

If you would like to join our thriving branch of the Royal British Legion you would be more than welcome – you don't need have been a member of the armed forces to join. Contact John Watts, our Membership Secretary on 01297 639758 for more information.

Jean Falconer



The tombola was a considerable attraction as it was housed in an amazing Christmas market stall with its own chimney and Santa! The raffle proved very popular and an energetic, slightly manic, Father Christmas dashed around the hall performing the draw! Visitors were able to sit and chat over mulled wine, mince pies and tea and coffee, making a lively buzz and convivial atmosphere.

A couple of elves were spotted welcoming Carole Arnold, our RBL Devon County 'buddy', who presented a certificate to Hilary Colbe 'in appreciation of the excellent work carried out over the last five years on behalf of the Poppy Appeal'.



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# EIGHT YEAR OLD EVELYN HILL CUTS HER HAIR AND RAISES £1,000 FOR THE LITTLE PRINCESS TRUST

A young Kilmington girl decided to cut and donate her long hair to make wigs for children suffering from cancer after watching the children's BBC TV programme 'Operation Ouch'. To date eight-year-old Evelyn has raised over £1,000 from local donations.

Evelyn explained, "The programme followed a young girl who had cancer and had lost all her hair through the harsh treatments she had to go through. It joined her on a trip where she received a new wig from a charity called The Little Princess Trust. The happiness on her face when she looked in the mirror at her reflection was amazing. It was then that I knew I wanted to donate my own hair as it was so long, it's always touched my bottom! I decided I wanted to help other girls who had gone through this nasty disease so I looked up more information about The Little Princess Trust. It was started by parents who sadly lost their young daughter who had been battling cancer. During treatment, finding a wig



Before

for her had a hugely positive impact and they felt the most fitting tribute would be to launch a charity dedicated to providing real hair wigs to children and young people. This is why I'm so excited to donate my hair".

During December, family and friends have also helped Evelyn raise money as it can cost up to £500 to make just one wig. The big day arrived and Donna at Bolts Salon in

Axminster kindly cut Evelyn's long hair. "It felt really strange" said Evelyn, "I've always had long hair but I'm already getting used to it."

Evelyn's school, St Mary's also got right behind her and did



After

a sponsored 'non-uniform' day to give pupils the chance to wear their Christmas jumpers and hats. Pupils made a donation for the privilege and even the teachers joined in raising a fabulous £165.

"Thank you to all those who have supported me and I'm really looking forward to sending my hair and all the donations to help some unfortunate children who are suffering this terrible disease".

If you would like to

donate, please pop any money in an envelope through our letterbox 3 Newtons, The Street, Kilmington or you can donate on line at:

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/gemma-hill555

Evelyn writes, "Thank you so much and I'll let everyone know how much we all raise. Evelyn x"

Peter Ball

#### **MOVIOLA**

## Are you bored with what's on TV and looking for an alternative or would like to get more involved in village activities read on!

For some years a regular programme of films has been shown on a (more or less) monthly basis in the Village Hall. The purpose of the screenings is twofold, firstly to provide entertainment and an opportunity to catch up with friends from the community and secondly to raise funds for the ongoing maintenance of the hall. If you have seen those yellow signs periodically posted around the village then yes 'Moviola' that's it!

'Moviola' itself is a charity which facilitates the screenings with its equipment and projectionist and provides a list of upcoming films for a band of village film buffs to choose from. Through a combination of the film (£5.50 on the door), teas, coffees, red or white wine and the inevitable raffle, the films always show a surplus and in 2019 raised £1,500 towards the upkeep of the Village Hall.

The cost of hire from the Moviola organisation has increased over the years and our team is now seeking funding, potentially through Lottery or other more local sources, to enable an investment of some £7,000 in acquiring projection

equipment and a new sound system for the hall. This should enable us to present a true cinema experience and broader genre of film with greater frequency and potentially on a more current basis. So, if you have a particular interest in getting together with a like-minded group of friends to watch a particular film we would hope to be able to accommodate

All of this of course requires volunteer support. If you have an interest in the movie business and can spare a few hours each month to help with the selection, advertising and screening of films please do get in touch. We would love to involve you.

If you are unable to help but have yet to come to a film night, we have some great films in our Spring programme so why not come along and see what you have been missing. Details of our next film can be found elsewhere in this issue and further details about your local cinema can be found at: www.kilmingtonvillage.com/moviola.html

To get in touch contact John at: wattsjohn307@gmail.com

#### RECIPE FOR SIMNEL CAKE

#### **INGREDIENTS**

175g butter or margarine (softened)

175g caster sugar

3 eggs

115g plain flour

Pinch of salt

½ level tsp ground cinnamon

½ grated nutmeg

100g glace cherries, washed, dried and cut into quarters

50g chopped mixed peel

250g currants

100g sultanas

Finely grated rind of 1 lemon

Milk, if necessary

#### Method

- 1. Grease an 18 cm round cake tin. Line with baking parchment.
- 2. Cream the butter and sugar until pale and fluffy. Gradually beat in the eggs.
- 3. Sift in the flour, salt and spices and fold into the mixture with a metal spoon. Add all the fruit and the lemon rind, folding together to give a smooth dropping consistency. If a little too firm add 1-2 tbsp of milk.
- 4. Divide the Almond Paste in half. Lightly dust a surface with icing sugar and roll out one half to a 16 cm circle.
- 5. Spoon half the cake mixture into the prepared tin. Place the round of Almond Paste on top and cover with the

remaining cake mixture. Press down gently with the back of a spoon to level the surface.

- 6. Tie a double thickness of brown paper round the outside of the tin. Bake in the oven at 140C/275°F/gas 1 for about 2½ hours until a rich brown colour and firm to the touch.
- 7. Cool in the tin for about 1 hour, then turn out. Ease off the parchment paper and leave to cool completely on a wire rack.
- 8. Divide the remaining Almond Paste in two. Roll out one half to 17 cm circle and the rest in 11 small balls. Place evenly around the top of the cake. Brush the top with a little beaten egg and very lightly grill until the almond paste turns a light golden brown. Remove and leave to cool

**ALMOND PASTE** (don't be tempted to use store-bought paste because it contains lots of sugar and few almonds and it will turn to liquid under the grill!)

450g icing sugar sifted 250g ground almonds 1 large egg yolk, lightly beaten 3-4 tbs orange juice 5 drops almond essence

Place the icing sugar and almonds in a food processor with steel blade. Process, slowly dripping egg yolk, orange juice and almond essence. The mixture should form a pliable paste.

#### REFUGEES

They have no need of our help So do not tell me

These haggard faces could belong to you or me

Should life have dealt a different hand

We need to see them for who they truly are

Chancers and scroungers layabouts and loungers

With bombs up their sleeves

Vagabonds and thieves

They are not

Welcome here

We should make them

Go back where they came from

They cannot share our food

Share our homes

Share our countries

Build a wall to keep them out

It is not okay to say

These people are just like us

A place should only belong to those who are born there

Do not be so stupid to think that

The World can be looked at another way

(Now read from bottom to top)

Brian Bilston

#### **JANUARY**

Winter scours the land,
Scraping branches clean of wizened leaf,
Articulating skeletal twigs with rime.
The season's spartan economy,
Having razed the profligate flowers
And muted the merry songs of birds,
Now blasts the festive berry
And folds the bleached remains
Of summer's verdant growth
Flat against the cold earth.

But, even as the puritan housewife
Shrouds her work in pristine falls of snow,
We know these bleak days will pass;
For secretly, beneath the soil,
In dormant trees and every tight-closed bud,
New life waits for the year to turn.
The wintry bonds must slowly yield
And light and warmth and colour pour
Through every valley, forest, fell and field
Restoring Nature's joyful carnival once more.

Anon

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# WINTER VILLAGE ACTIVITIES IN OUR PUBLIC HOUSES AND VILLAGE HALL









































#### KILMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

#### PARKING? THEN PLEASE DO SO CONSIDERATELY!

Finding somewhere safe to park on some of Kilmington's narrow lanes is not always easy. However please consider pedestrians, neighbours, emergency and service vehicles when parking your car or van. Inconsiderate parking is not only unsociable; it can be dangerous if your vehicle restricts the view for others at a junction. It can also be life-threatening if a Fire Engine cannot get through. The Highway Code gives guidance:



- opposite another parked vehicle if this would cause an obstruction
- opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space
- in front of an entrance to a property
- near a school entrance
- where the kerb has been lowered to help wheelchair users and powered mobility vehicles
- on a bend.

242: You **must not** leave your vehicle or trailer in a dangerous position or where it causes any unnecessary obstruction of the road. *Laws RTA 1988, sect 22 & CUR reg 103* 

243:

 You must not stop or park, anywhere you would prevent access for Emergency Services If you need to report dangerous or inconsiderate parking that is causing an obstruction preventing other vehicles from passing, then you should first make enquiries nearby to seek to move it. If you are unsuccessful, you should note down the registration number, make and model of the vehicle and contact the police using the 101 non-emergency service or www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/contact

#### EAST DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL SEEKS YOUR VIEWS

Like all councils, EDDC faces a difficult financial situation and going forward will need to make 'careful choices' as it works towards bridging a £2.7 million funding gap over the next four years. Budgets have decreased over the last decade and the council has lost 60p in every £1 of government funding. These reductions coupled with rising demands continue to impact services.

EDDC is asking for your views to understand what services you care most about. This will help them make informed decisions going forward. The consultation can be completed

on the EDDC website at www.eastdevon.gov.uk/community-engagement/carefulchoices

A printed version of the questionnaire is available from Jamie Buckley on 01395 517569 or e-mail jbuckley@eastdevon.gov.uk

The questionnaire is also being sent, by post, to 3,000 randomly selected East Devon households.

#### TREE FELLING AT GAPEMOUTH CORNER, SHUTE ROAD

In April of last year a planning application was made to fell and replace trees on the land at Gapemouth Corner. The Parish Council were originally told the entire site was protected by an 'area tree preservation order'. However, EDDC have now told us that their records show that this order was in fact only provisional for some six months from the date of application, which was over a decade ago, it then lapsed. There were a significant number of objections to the planning application from local residents including the Parish Council as the woodland formed an effective buffer between the residential centre of the village and the busy A35.

The owner of this site Eddie Dayment, a builder and developer from Colyton, withdrew the planning application and chose to apply for, and has been granted, a tree felling licence by The Forestry Commission. This has been granted to 'harvest' the crop of conifers within the centre of the woodland.

A number of large broad leaf trees on the edges of the site are protected by Tree Preservation Orders (TPOs) and are not included in the felling licence and will remain.

The felling licence states the site shall be restocked by 'Natural Regeneration or Coppice' and all licensed trees felled are to be removed quickly and carefully so as to avoid damage to the remaining trees or seedlings or coppice shoots. The land is then to be managed in accordance with the rules and practice of good forestry so as to secure restocking with 80% native broadleaves and 20% open ground to achieve not less than 1,100 stems per hectare evenly distributed over the site by 100% natural regeneration.

#### KILMINGTON HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Thanks to all of you who took the time to complete the Housing Needs Survey questionnaire. Of the 405 we delivered around the whole village we had a 40% response rate, a little disappointing perhaps, by usual Kilmington standards, but nevertheless a reasonable sample. The 160 questionnaires were returned direct to 'Devon Communities Together'. This independent charity has analysed the results and the full report is available on the village website at: www.kilmingtonvillage.com/neighbourhood-plan.html

If you require a hard paper copy of the report please call Peter Ball 07747 636810.

Here is a brief summary of the findings:

#### PRINCIPAL CONCLUSIONS

The survey identified a need for five affordable homes within the next five years. As the needs of households are constantly evolving, the level and mix of need in this report should be taken as a guide, it represents a snapshot in time. However, given the level of response to the survey, and in spite of the potential for circumstances to change, the Parish Council can feel confident in the results of this survey.

#### **KEY FINDINGS**

#### **Current Housing**

- Of the 157 respondents who provided details, 140 (89%) own their own home, eight (5%) rent from a private landlord, eight (5%) rent from the local authority and one (1%) rents from a housing association.
- Respondents were asked how many bedrooms their current home has. The replies are shown below. Fifteen households did not specify a number.

Number of bedrooms	1	2	3	4+
Households	6	31	52	56

- Additional information from the 2011 census also indicated that there is a lack of smaller, cheaper accommodation in the parish with detached properties of 3 bedrooms plus being the most prolific.
- 16 households said they knew of someone who had had to leave the parish in the last ten years due to lack of suitable housing, someone who works in the parish and would like to move to Kilmington or someone who has a long term connection to the parish and wishes to return.

#### **Affordable Housing**

- The survey found two households in housing need who could not afford to buy or rent in the open market.
- Three additional replies were received by households on Devon Home Choice who had not completed the survey but were eligible for affordable housing in the parish.

- All of the households in need would require affordable rented accommodation.
- Size of Property Required:
  - 3 x 1 or 2 bed properties for singles / couples
  - 1 x 2 bed property for a family
  - 1 x 3 bed property for a family
- Respondents were asked if they would be in favour of a small number of homes for local people being built if the need for affordable housing were proven. 81% of those answering the question said they would be in favour, 19% were against any development and 13 households did not respond to this question.

#### **Future Move Plans**

- 56 of the 160 responses intended to move home within the next 10 years.
- 31 of these 56 households wish to remain in or move to Kilmington.
- The main reasons for wishing to move were:

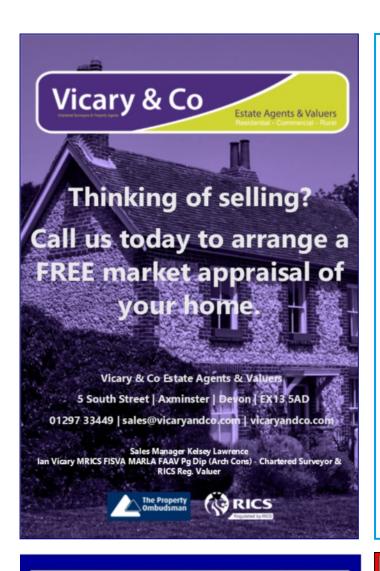
Need to downsize to a home with fewer bedrooms	10
Need a home with one level for health/mobility reasons	7
Need to move to a home with more bedrooms	4

#### **Older Persons Needs**

- The older persons' survey shows that the majority of households have no plans to move home.
- 14 'older persons' households expect to move home within the next 5 10 years and remain in Kilmington, none are eligible for affordable housing so they would require open market housing.
- The two most important considerations were that older persons wished to move to a property that was close to shops, church and village hall and wanted a small patio / garden area. Other popular reasons were the need to downsize to a more manageable home and proximity to public transport.

This information will now be used as evidence within the Kilmington Neighbourhood Plan.

Kilmington Neighbourhood Planning Team





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#### MAD moments in the garden

Working in the garden last month proved very difficult given the sodden ground and continuous rain. Thankfully areas close to the edge of the borders gave me some *outdoor* activity between the showers. Pleasure was gained from removing leaves from the now large clumps of *Hellebores*.



The intention is that it helps reduce the likelihood of disease and allows the flowers to emerge high above the new leaves. Two diseases that are most common to *hellebores* are Black Death and *Hellebore* Blackspot. The so-called Black Death presents as black streaks on the flowers, leaves and stems and stunted deformed growth. The disease does not respond to any current treatments and therefore plants should be removed as soon as possible to prevent spread to other *hellebores*. *Hellebore* Blackspot is a common fungal disease causing round, brown or black spots on the leaves and stems, those leaves are best removed before the fungus spreads. The leaves can be cut back in October or November to reduce the likelihood of disease but somehow it's a January job for me.

Hellebores are a genus of approximately twenty hardy evergreen or deciduous species in the Ranunculaceae or buttercup family. There are a great number of hybrids and species now available. They are one of the earliest plants to flower in the year and have a number of common names such as the Lenten and Christmas rose.

The plants are very poisonous and, strangely in the past, were used to cure coughs and wheezing in horses or even more strangely for humans as a "drastic emetic for mad and furious men"! Some *hellebores* were also used as rat poison, how times change.

Helleborus orientalis
and Heleborus x
hybrids will self-seed
prolifically and I have
successfully enlarged my
collection by removing the
small seedlings to allow spread
of the parent plant and
growing on the seedlings in the
cold frame for a year before

planting them, so increasing the area covered. They do take a couple of years or more to get going and sometimes are not the same colour as the parent plant. This adds a bit of mystery and frustration but gardening is all about patience and luck, as we know. I have a perfect triangular bare patch in a bed that needs filling now with a more interesting specimen, so I am off to the garden centre for a February treat of perhaps *Helleborus x ericsmithii*. This cultivar has beautiful silver splashed leaves and many maroon red stems carrying large creamy white saucer shaped flowers. It sounds beautiful and if I can find the variety called 'Ruby Glow' so much the better as its stem colour continues on the reverse of the petals and lasts long after the flowers themselves pass their prime.

The joy of writing this column is that one discovers so much more about plants and their breeders. Having found an article by Anna Pavord about visiting Rodney Davey's nursery in Tytherleigh and him naming 'Anna's Red' after her, I wanted to visit and meet him and his partner. I phoned the number at the bottom of the article and spoke to his partner. She explained they had retired some years ago and the nursery is no longer open, the article was written in 2010! What a disappointment, but I am now determined to find a plant that belongs to the 'Rodney Davey Marbled Group', preferably 'Anna's Red'.

Mary-Anne Driscoll

#### KiGC Meeting 10th January - Home Grown Fruit Trees - Gold Club Speaker

Malcolm, from Castle Gardens in Sherborne, was our speaker for this, the first talkof the year and the topic was 'Home Grown Fruit Trees.' He was very surprised to see such a large enthusiastic audience on a January evening.

His starting point was to question the audience as to the fruit trees they bought. Did they prefer bare rooted or potted up varieties? Potted up means they were put into pots the previous Spring. If one purchases bare-rooted trees, they tend to be slightly cheaper, and provide a better range.

Fruit trees come in a great range of shapes, so gardeners need to determine the best for their garden now and for the future, due to the time they take to develop. All trees begin as a maiden (one year) tree. Selection is between,a bush, half standards, cordoned, espalier, or as a fan. If planting a pot grown tree, we learnt that the hole should be the same height as the container, together with the fact that a square hole is significantly better than a round one, especially in Australia.

Within the Sherborne nursery, more half standards are sold, maybe because when more mature, trees are easier to mow under.

Root stock of the tree will determine the size of tree. He expressed the importance of potential buyers needing to research what is required, especially space. If it is limited, then quite often a 'family' tree is beneficial, which means there are three compatible fruits on just the one tree!

The important benefits of pruning were covered, with the three ds: dead wood, dying and diseased wood, requiring a set of secateurs, or for thicker wood, the pruning saw. He provided individuals with some specific answers following the talk, prior to driving home to Sherborne, in time for his pizza.

Gill Gibbs

February 14th: 365 Days of Colour - Nick Bailey

#### **KILMINGTON MOTH UPDATE - FEBRUARY, 2020**

Moths recorded in Kilmington between 12-06-2019 and 06-12-2019 included the following species:



Bright-line Brown-eye *Lacanobia oleracia* 



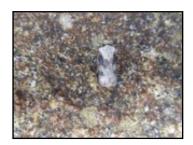
Brussels Lace
Cleorodes lichenaria



Single-dotted Wave *Idaea dimidiata* 



Cabbage *Mamestra brassicae* 



Shuttle-shaped Dart

Agrotis puta



Purple Bar

Cosmorhoe ocellata



Light Emerald

Campaea margaritaria



Black Rustic

Aporophyla nigra

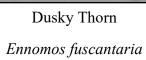


Miltochrista miniata



Cirrhia icteritia







Four-Spotted Footman (m)

Lithosia quadra

- P.S 1. Only the female Four-spotted Footman has the four spots
  - 2. Its name is taken from the wing-markings, but the Bright-line Brown-eye really does have brown eyes!

    David Wilsdon.

#### **AXMINSTER HOSPITAL LEAGUE OF FRIENDS**

#### FUNDING AXMINSTER HOSPISCARE AT HOME

The Axminster Hospiscare@Home nursing continues to flourish under the leadership of new team leader Natalie Mear. We all appreciate the service, funded by the LOF, and will work hard to keep it in our district through the generosity of our community.

Please remember that the service in our area is fully funded by the League of Friends of Axminster Hospital. Donations made to the League of Friends Axminster

Hospiscare@Home are ring-fenced for that purpose. Money donated directly to Hospiscare can be used for any purpose.

Axe Vale Festival made a grant to the League of Friends of Axminster Hospital of £1,000 at the beginning of September for which we are grateful. The League thanks them for their generosity and looks forward to having a stand at the 2020 show.



Pictured at the presentation at the beginning of December are Steve Holt, Treasurer of the League of Friends receiving the cheque from Dr Simon Hodges, Chairman of the Axe Vale Festival.

#### WHAT'S COMING UP

Musbury Monthly Coffee Morning – On the second Wednesday of every month. This village event gives the villagers, though open to anyone, a chance to meet and chat and buy some of the jams and pickles on sale for LOF funds.

Quiz Night at The Hind in Musbury – Emma and Adrian have promised us another Quiz Night at The Hind in Musbury in the New Year. The last one was great fun and I am sure the next one will be just as good. Watch this space for details.

The rest of the calendar for 2020 will be put together soon and I will keep you informed

If you would like to adopt us as your chosen charity we would be delighted. If your organisation is having an event, fair, fete or anything else (legal) we would be glad to come along and raise funds ourselves.

Ann Veit – Hon. Secretary Telephone- 01297 552376 Email – lof.annv5@aol.com

#### DONATIONS TOWARDS ARC FROM RETAILERS AND ON-LINE

1) Arc Axminster has been chosen to benefit from the Co-op Local Community Fund. When a member shops at the Co-op they earn a five per cent reward for themselves, with a further one per cent for local causes like Arc.

To make this happen Co-op members must choose a cause by going online www.coop.co.uk/membership. If you're not a member and would like to support Arc, you can join at the local Co-op or online at www.coop.co.uk

- 2) Donate with every Amazon purchase. Visit www.smile.amazon.co.uk Set up Arc Axminster as your chosen charity and let Amazon make a donation every time you shop.
- 3) Let other retailers donate. Visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk Choose ARC AXMINSTER and get the retailers to donate when you shop.

Suzie McFadzean



#### MEN'S WALK - 14 MARCH 2020

Take part in an eight mile walk raising much needed funds for Hospiscare. Starting and finishing at the Double Locks Pub, the route will take you along the historic Exeter Quay.

Enjoy a warm welcome back to the pub, accompanied with a free pint and pasty, and then relax in Hospiscare's heated marquee with three games of rugby on big screens – Wales v Scotland 14:15, Italy v England 16:45 and France v Ireland 20:00.

Entry – advance entry is £25 each or £80 for a team of 4. The event is open to men and boys aged 12 and over.

Sign up online at www.menswalkexeter.co.uk

#### HOSPISCARE COFFEE MORNING MONTH - MARCH

Organising a Hospiscare Coffee Morning is simple and fun, and the money raised goes towards the charity's care of local people living with a terminal illness. So, boil that kettle, don your apron and start baking those cakes!

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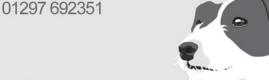
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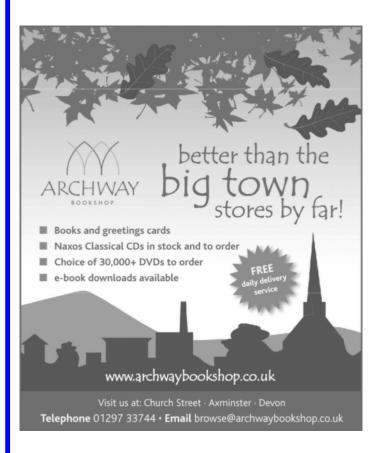
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With your back to Hurfords Stores, turn left and walk up The Street, passing Koppers, Kushi Kitchen, the Bull Pen and West Gate on your right. The next house is **Brookside** where Mrs Vicky Larcombe lives. If you find yourself crossing Meadow Bank, you have gone a few steps too far.

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Monday	early	Your house	Recycling collections
Mon, Wed, Thur, Fri	9.15 am	Kilmington Primary School	Pre-school playgroup for 3+
Monday	2.00 - 4.00 pm	Village Hall	Country Dancing for all ages
Monday	3.00 - 4.00 pm	Tennis Court	Tennis Club
Monday alternate	2.00 - 4.30 pm	Pavilion, dates circulated	Bridge Club
Tuesday	9.30 am	St Giles' Church	Holy Communion followed by coffee
	10.00 - noon	Village Hall	Table Tennis
	10.00 - noon	Village Hall Foyer	Coffee and get-together
	10.00 - noon	The Beacon	The Post Office
	1.30 - 3.30 pm	St Giles' Church	St Giles' Handicraft Group followed by 'Pop Up' Café
	7.30 pm	Village Hall	Badminton
Wednesday	9.15 am	The Beacon	Toddlers and Tinies
	2.00 - 4.00 pm	Village Hall	Short mat bowls
_	3.45 - 4.45 pm	The Beacon	'Flame 2' After School Club (term time only)
	7.30 - 9.00 pm	St Giles' Tower	Bell-ringing practice alternate weeks with The Minster, Axminster
Thursday	6.30 pm	The Beacon	Fusion Youth Club (term time only)
Friday	10.00 - noon	St Giles' Church	Coffee and a warm welcome

#### **DATES FOR FEBRUARY 2020**

Sun	2nd	11.00 am	St Giles' Church	Morning Worship
	2nd	8.00 pm	The New Inn	Quiz in aid of Kilmington Village Hall
Tues	4th	Early	Your House	Garden Waste Collection
	4th	10.30 am	The Beacon	Messy Sparklers
	4th	7.00 pm	Tuckers Arms, Dalwood	Five Alive Mission Community 'Get Together'
Wed	5th	7.15pm	Village Hall	Moviola: Downton Abbey
Fri	7th	6.00 pm	The Old Inn	Royal British Legion 'Get Together'
Sat	8th	10.00 am	The Beacon	Scrabble Club
	8th	3.00 pm	St Giles' Church	'Celebrate Together' Service
Sun	9th	11.00 am	St Giles' Church	No Service - however there are services at Dalwood, Shute, Stockland and Yarcombe
Tues	11th	7.30 pm	Pavilion	Parish Council Meeting
Fri	14th	7.30 pm	Village Hall	KGC Talk: 365 Days of Colour - Nick Bailey
Sun	16th	9.30 am	St Giles' Church	Holy Communion
Mon	17th	Early	Your House	Landfill with recycling
Tues	18th	Early	Your House	Garden Waste Collection
	18th	12 noon	The Beacon	Contact Lunch
Fri	21st	7.30 pm	Village Hall	Kilmington Players Supper and Show
Sat	22nd	7.30 pm	Village Hall	Kilmington Players Supper and Show
Sun	23rd	11.00 am	St Giles' Church	Family Service
Tue	25th	11.20 -11.50 am	Junction of the Street and Hill	Mobile Library
Thur	27th	12.00 noon	Village Hall	Lent Lunch
Sat	29th	8.00 am	The Beacon	Men's Breakfast





25<sup>th</sup> February



#### **USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

#### **VILLAGE NUMBERS**

Bell-ringing - Celia Dunsford	01297 33563	Kilmington's Little Helpers - Sally Huscroft	01297 32243	Short Mat Bowls - Ron Foster	01297 35529
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