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Queen Elizabeth II 1952-2022

EDITORIAL

We all knew it must happen before long – at 96 it might actually happen any time - but, since most people had never known any other monarch, the thought was crowded out by other concerns until, on Thursday, September 8th, we became aware that we were witnessing the end of an age. Television, a rare novelty 70 years ago but now omnipresent, kept us updated throughout that evening and the following days, with interviews, replays, eulogies and reminiscences, and our small Devon village joined the national response by ringing its church bells along with all the others at the appropriate times, with or without muffles. Custom and tradition, centuries old, ensured the smooth transition from the second Elizabethan to the third Carolean era. With colourful ceremonies and much media commentary the constitutional position of hereditary head of state moved down a generation without major disruption to our peaceful everyday lives.

In Kilmington on that same Thursday the referendum on the Neighbourhood Plan resulted in a majority favouring autonomy for Kilmington in future county level planning decisions. On Saturday the village show went ahead. Children with painted faces showed off their dogs, marvelled or shuddered at the snakes and creepy crawlies, bounced on the castle and raced their chickens, while adults looked at the stalls, tried the skittles, had tea and bought disguised bottles filled with water or, occasionally, wine. On Sunday, 11th Peter Guy's Great North Run raised funds for children with cancer.

The previous weekend had seen another new beginning – this time at the Baptist church - with the ordination and induction of Mike Hudson as pastor. He had been an assistant pastor, still in training at the time when Darrell Holmes left for Brixham last summer, and Saturday's service was a formal recognition and celebration of his official role. We wish him well and thank him for his Letter from the Churches this month.

The recently formed History Group continues to assemble material from Kilmington's past which might be of interest to people living here now, before the evidence disappears and is forgotten. This time, with the cooperation of the present owners, Alan Clarkson has delved into the records of Gowrie House. Built two hundred years ago beside what was then the main coaching road to Exeter, it has housed many people and seen many things. We had a false autumn when so many trees shed leaves in the summer heat, but now the real autumn is with us and plans have already been drawn up for the annual poppy appeal to start later this month, leading up to the Remembrance Sunday ceremonies on 13th November. Finally, we congratulate Pam Muirhead, Kilmington's newest centenarian.

Janfryd

Front and Centre Pages - Marie Gardner

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KILMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

KILMINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

**The referendum vote on 8th September was significantly in favour of adopting the
Kilminster Neighbourhood Plan**

288 in favour of a Yes (94.5%) and 17 in favour of a No (5.5%)

Of the 735 residents who are registered to vote in the village, 305 turned out to vote (41.5%).

The turnout may seem a little low, but EDDC planning was very complimentary about the numbers voting. They said many communities of our size see only 20-25% turnout.

The EDDC Cabinet will review this referendum result on October 5th and will 'make the plan'. This means that our community can now play a much stronger role in shaping the Parish. Planning applications will be made using both the

local plan and our neighbourhood plan and any other material considerations.

Another benefit is that now we have a neighbourhood plan, the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) the Parish receives increases from 15% to 25%. The CIL is the charge levied by EDDC on new development in the parish. This increase in funds can be used by us to fund certain infrastructure improvements in the village.

LET'S FIGHT TO REDUCE THE 30MPH SPEED LIMIT THROUGH KILMINGTON VILLAGE TO 20MPH

Several years ago there were long discussions with Devon County Council Highways, who manage our roads (other than the A35), to reduce the speed limit from 30mph to 20mph along the Whitford Road, past the school and recreation field. After significant work the request was refused and dismissed.

During the neighbourhood plan consultation it became clear that many residents continue to be very concerned about the speed of vehicles travelling through the village. But now, concern covers the whole of the residential centre of the village.

However, speed limits are not a planning matter; therefore we are suggesting this campaign should become a Community Action Project. The Parish Council will lead the project, but residents should come forward to help us campaign together for the change.

Our aim is to pursue a 20mph speed limit in place of the existing 30mph limit, or at least within the Built Up Area

Boundary (BUAB), in an effort to reduce the speed of traffic passing through the centre of the village.

In order to prove to Devon Highways that there is significant support for the reduction, we have started a petition to gather the names of local residents who support the proposal. We already have over 200 signatures collected at the referendum and village show. The petition will continue to be displayed in the Village Hall and in the telephone box library. Please sign if you would like to see a 20 limit through our residential area.

We have adopted and will use the striking imagery from the national campaign group '20's Plenty'. They have considerable experience advising local groups which may also be useful to us as we move forward.

If you would like to get involved please mail speed@kilmingtonvillage.com or contact one of your parish councillors.



WHAT'S ON IN OCTOBER

KILMINGTON COMMUNITY CINEMA



THE GOOD LIAR (15) Kilmington Village Hall Wednesday, 12th October & Thursday, 13th Matinee



This mystery thriller is outrageous and irresistible, an old-fashioned drama with dashes of Patricia Highsmith, Patrick Hamilton, John le Carré. It features delicious performances by Helen Mirren and Ian McKellen – I don't think McKellen has had such a juicy role since his turn in the 1998 drama Apt Pupil. Mirren plays a retired, well-off widow called Betty McLeish looking for decorous romantic companionship from a silver-years dating website. She finds herself set up for lunch with roguish old charmer Roy Courtney (McKellen) who enchants her with his twinkly-eyed naughtiness, and, even though Betty can see he's a little bit improper, she's not prig and likes a laugh.

It isn't long before Roy has actually moved in as a platonic house guest to the astonished disapproval of Betty's grandson Steven (Russell Tovey), a postgraduate student who occasionally stays overnight at Betty's house. Steven is right to worry – because Roy is a dead-eyed predatory conman, working with phony accountant Vincent (a nice performance from Jim Carter) to bilk greedy businessmen out of their cash and trick widows out of their savings. But maybe this scheme to hoodwink Betty will not go as smoothly as smug Roy thinks.

This movie rattles along with terrific energy and dash and the flashback sequences show that it's actually far more daring and ambitious than you might expect. It's a great duel between McKellen and Mirren

Wednesday Doors open at 6.45 pm with the evening's entertainment starting at 7.15 pm and ending about 9.30 pm.

The Thursday matinee, PLEASE NOTE NEW TIME. Doors open at 1.45 pm with the film starting at 2.00 pm. There is still limited seating and it does require pre-booking. We hope this will encourage those who need to take extra health care to feel confident that they can come along and enjoy a film and have a cream tea/ice creams/tea/coffee during the interval. The cream tea must be booked when booking the seat at a cost of £3.

Please state Wednesday or Thursday when booking. Tickets pre-booked £5 or £5.50 on door. Children under 12 accompanied by an adult £3.

To book please contact: John Watts on 01297 639758, or email: watsjohn307@gmail.com

See <http://www.kilmingtonvillage.com/moviola.html> for more information.

November Film: Operation Mincemeat (12A) starring: Colin Firth

FOUND

A Thermos flask was found when we closed-up after the last Wednesday night film, I now have it at home. If needed before our next film night, please get in touch to arrange collection.

John Watts



**Don't forget that the
clocks go back on
Sunday, 30th October**

KILMINGTON GARDENING CLUB

We will end the talk programme for the year on a very light-hearted look at gardening.

One of our favourite speakers Kathy Crouch will entertain us with 'New Tricks for Old Gardeners'.

Everyone is welcome on Friday, 14th October at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

Refreshments and wine are available, non-members £3.

Lesley Rew

MOBILE LIBRARY

Tuesday, 4th October 2022 at 11.20 - 11.50 am The Street

WHAT'S ON IN OCTOBER

KILMINGTON SKY AT NIGHT

Throughout the month Mars, Jupiter and Saturn should be clearly visible. There are six meteor showers through the month, although only the Draconids and Orionid give a reasonable chance of seeing 'shooting stars'. At the end of the month, a partial eclipse of the sun should be worth seeing.

5th Saturn and moon appear close together.

8th Jupiter and moon appear close together.

9th Full Hunters Moon – named by Native American tribes because, at this time of year, the game is fat and ready to hunt before winter.

9th Draconids Meteor Shower is a minor shower producing only about ten meteors per hour. It is unusual in that the best viewing is in the early evening instead of early morning like most other showers. The shower runs annually from October 6th-10th and peaks this year on the night of the 9th, when the full moon will reduce visibility. The best viewing will be from a dark location in the early evening. Meteors will radiate from the constellation Draco, but can appear anywhere in the sky.

10th Southern Taurid meteor shower active from 10th September to 20th November, producing its peak rate of meteors around 10th October. With a near full moon you might see around three to five meteors an hour at most.

11th Aurigid meteor shower will be active from 10th October to 18th October, producing its peak rate of meteors around 11th October. Just two days after full moon you might see around one or two meteors an hour at most.

15th Mars and moon appear close together.

18th Geminid meteor shower will be active from 14th October to 27th October, producing its peak rate of meteors around 18th October. Close to the new moon skies are dark, so you might see around two meteors an hour.

21st Orionid meteor shower will be active from 2nd October to 7th November, producing its peak rate of meteors around 7.00 pm on 21st October. Close to the new moon skies are dark, so you may be able to see up to twelve meteors per hour at the shower's peak.

24th Leonis Minorid meteor shower will be active from 19th October to 27th October, producing its peak rate of meteors around 7.00 pm on 24th October.

25th Partial eclipse of the Sun as the Moon passes in front of the Sun, between 10:00 am and 12:00 noon. Shadow in Kilmington at around 10% will be at the top left and greatest around 10.40 am. Elsewhere in the UK it could be up to 37%.

Peter

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The Parish Council meeting is on Monday, 10th October at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

SHORT MAT BOWLS

The first short mat bowls session of the season is on Wednesday, 5th October from 2.00 - 4.00 pm in the Village Hall.

ELVIS IS IN THE BUILDING

Come and join us for a film and supper evening at the Village Hall on Saturday, October 29th

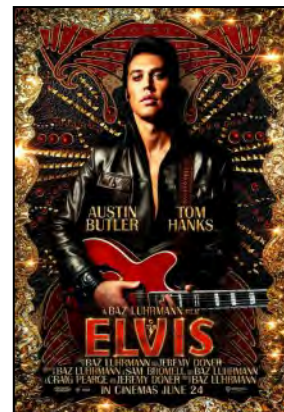
We will be showing the new movie Elvis with a chicken and chip supper and ice creams in the interval. Bar open all evening.

Doors open at 6.00 pm.

£10 per person.

For tickets call Lesley on 07900827689

This is a Kilmington Community Association Event



ORDINATION AND INDUCTION OF MIKE HUDSON

Over 180 people came along to The Baptist Church, Kilmington on Saturday, 3rd September to celebrate Michael Hudson's Ordination and Induction. The church welcomed Carl Smethurst, Regional Minister at SWBA who led the service and Rev Dr Stephen Finamore, Principal of Bristol Baptist College, who gave the message and presented Mike with an Ordination Bible. Other visitors who took part were Rev Joel Ferreira from Mike's sending church, Emsworth Baptist; Rev George Baker, Mike's Home Group Leader from his first church and now Pastor at Pinhoe Road Baptist in Exeter, and Jamie Reeves, a fellow minister in training and now Pastor of Rodbourne Cheney Baptist Church in Swindon. Amongst the many guests was



the church's former Pastor, Darrell Holmes - it was good to see him and his family again.

Mike chose Psalm 119 vs 105 to be the theme for the service and a card signed by all the guests and presented to Mike included Psalm 24 vs 4 & 5.



Please pray for Mike (and his lovely young family), the Church Leaders and Elders and the whole fellowship as it embarks on an exciting new future and as the Church discerns God's Will for the Church and its Community.

Gill Bridger

MESSY SPARKLERS

Messy Sparklers had a quiet start to the new academic year. In July, we said goodbye to some of our regulars who were off to school; one had been with us from a tiny baby, coming with his big brother. It was very strange preparing our register without his name at the top of the list. As is often the case during the first week of September, we did not need a waiting list as many of our families had children either starting school or starting pre-school. It also meant that several families were not able to stay for lunch due to having to pick up children at midday, so the kitchen team were 'only' preparing for 30 people rather than the usual 60.

This month the children heard the story of Zacchaeus, a dishonest tax collector, who so wanted to see Jesus that he climbed a tree to get a good view. Jesus saw him, knew what kind of person he was and invited himself to Zacchaeus' home, even though some of the people around thought he was not the type of person Jesus should spend time with. The visit changed Zacchaeus' life resulting in him repaying those he'd cheated and providing for the poor.

Our activities reflected the story and linked to our senses as usual. The children were given the components to make trees for their snack on arrival – green rice crispy cake, mini breadstick, or chocolate finger plus a Jelly Baby Zacchaeus plus some more healthy fruit! The parents and carers could then grab a couple of minutes to have a tea or coffee and a quick chat with old or new friends.



Outside, sheltered from the showers, the children hunted for 'bugs' in a variety of leaves and scented shrub cuttings, explored Play-doh scented with herbs and spices and played with various floating and non-floating items in the water tray. Inside there were a variety of toys and books for babies up to pre-schoolers, plus a colouring sheet, pizza collage and sponge printing leaves on a tree outline.

Our next session will be **Tuesday, 4th October**. We start at 10.30 am (please don't arrive early as we will probably still be setting up) and finish at 12.30 pm. We ask for a donation of £2 for the first child plus £1 for each additional child which includes lunch for both the child and their adult. Booking is essential, if you aren't on our mailing list, please contact children.youth@baptistchurchkilmington.org (NOTE THE NEW EMAIL ADDRESS) to receive a booking email. Remember to dress for mess!

On Monday, 3rd October, we are starting a 6-week (with a break at half term) parenting course *Time out For Parents Early Years*. It aims to give jargon-free information and ideas to increase skills and boost confidence as a parent. Some of the topics it covers are children's needs, play and listening, parenting styles and discipline. To book, either email the address above or go to www.baptistchurchkilmington.com/calendar 3rd Oct.

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Letter from the Churches

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On Saturday, 3rd September we celebrated a significant day in the life of our church, when I was formally Ordained as a Baptist minister and inducted as Pastor of the Baptist Church Kilminster. My family and I have been at the church since September 2018 on a part-time basis, and this day marked the completion of my ministerial training and theology degree. It also celebrated the fact that the church had called me to be their full-time pastor after a period of discernment, and that we had accepted and discerned that call as a family.

I was completely blown away by the team of people who worked so hard to make the day so special. I was also humbled by the fact that around 200 people came to celebrate with us in person, with others joining online. It was great to be able to look back and to celebrate all that God had done in my life that led us to this point.

If you had told me 10 years ago that I would be a Christian, let alone a Baptist Minister I would have laughed and asked to have a drink of whatever you were enjoying! But even then, God had a plan and a purpose for my life that I had no idea of. He also had plenty of patience when I did all I could to avoid that plan.

We have recently been celebrating the life and faith of our long serving Monarch, Queen Elizabeth II. One thing that certainly shaped her life was a relationship with God, through Jesus Christ, and a bold Christian faith. She knew the purpose God had for her, and she sought to obey and follow that calling throughout her long life.



I believe that God has a purpose for each of us, and a plan for our lives. I believe that God can fulfil the desperate search for purpose and meaning that we naturally crave. I believe that one of the roles of the church is helping people discern and follow that calling whatever it looks like for them. We might not all be called to full time church ministry, but I do believe that God has a ministry for each of us.

While it was great to look back and celebrate during my Ordination and Induction, we are also excited about what is to come. We are

currently seeking God's will for us as a church-family, and thinking about what the future might hold. We'd love to hear from you too, if there are ways in which you think the Beacon could love and serve our community. If you ever want to pop in for a chat and a coffee, you'd be most welcome. Or pop along on a Sunday morning to hear more about this amazing God.

The Apostle Paul lifts before the church in Ephesus the one *'who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us'*. My prayer is that each of us would experience that great power, and as He has in my life, that God will do things that you could never think or imagine.

God Bless,

Pastor Mike Hudson

HOME COMMUNIONS RESTARTING IN KILMINGTON

Good news! After a couple of years of being unable to visit people in their homes to share Home Communion, we're delighted to announce that we're starting them again from next month, October. These will be monthly, or less frequently, depending upon personal preference. The visits will be extended to the other parishes in our Five Alive Mission Community as soon as possible.

We have a list that we're working from, but if you know of anyone in any of our parishes who would appreciate a visit for a Home Communion, please contact Rev Julie, Anna Crabbe or me, Gill Heighway.

Thank you.

WELCOME PASTOR MIKE HUDSON

Members of St Giles' Church joined others to welcome Mike Hudson into his role as the new Pastor for the Baptist Church. The Church service was very well attended, the singing was joyful, the prayers heartfelt, and the stories told were amusing and informative as well as challenging us to all to be disciples of Jesus.



We wish Pastor Mike every blessing in his ministry in and around our village and the wider East Devon community. God bless you, Mike.

Rev Julie

AXMINSTER CHURCHES TOGETHER FOOD BANK

The Food Box in St. Giles' entrance porch, so generously filled week after week with contributions from the village, is part of a central food bank for those in need and is run by ACTs, Axminster Churches Together, presently chaired by the Rev Clive Sedgewick, vicar of the Minster and surrounding parishes. The Food Bank was started by Axminster Christian Fellowship several years ago and later joined by ACTs and is supported by most of the churches of all denominations in the Axe Valley.

Its purpose is to support those in dire need and each who regularly receives hampers is recommended by someone. Items needed are tinned, dried or in date by three months and

at Christmas, seasonal items are particularly welcomed. The food is delivered and at Christmas up to sixty hampers, packed by volunteers, are sent out. Jane Rigg from the Purzebrook Chapel in Axminster has been its coordinator for the past eight years, but now feels it is the right time to retire. Although it has not yet been finally decided, AVCAP, Axe Valley Christians Against Poverty, are very keen to take on the responsibility for the Food Bank and hope to work together with ACTs. So a very big thank you, Kilmington for your generosity for those less fortunate than we are and may God bless you for your care.

BAPTISM OF BRYONY HOCKING

Family and friends of Bryony Hocking gathered in St Giles' Church on Saturday, August 27th to share in a time of joy and celebration, thanksgiving for her birth, and for her Baptism. As we gathered around the font, parents Hannah and John Hocking, and Godparents, Tim and Sheena Strevens and Catherine Bowden, were on hand to make their promises and to witness Bryony as she was baptised by Rev Julie.



Also in the congregation were members of the St Giles' Baby & Toddler Group of which Bryony and Hannah are founder members.

After the service, a celebration tea was held in the Village Hall. At St Giles' we continue to pray for this family and welcome enquiries from others about this first step in a life of faith.

Rev Julie Lomas

ST Giles' Church...
Harvest festival lunch
KILMINGTON VILLAGE HALL
9th October 2022
12.30 PM FOR 1 PM

£8 per person
Children under 12 **FREE**

Make sure to book tickets by October 7th
for more information contact:
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‘OPEN THE BOOK’ TEAM ARE BACK – IN THE BEGINNING

The ‘Open the Book’ Team were back in action following the six week school summer holiday. On Friday, September 16th three visits were made to the parishes of Shute, Kilminster and Stockland.

First, the story of ‘In the Beginning’ was told at St. Michael’s Church at Shute followed by the same story being told at St. Giles’ in Kilminster. During the afternoon the story was told again at Stockland Primary School. It was so lovely to see the



children and teachers again and it was especially nice to be able to tell the story to some new young faces. The stories are told from ‘The Lion Storyteller Bible’. For this story we had Christine Mills playing God, Greta Lidster playing Eve and Gay Veecroft playing Adam. Anna Crabbe was the Storyteller and Christine Thorne did the introduction.

Christopher Thorne

AN APPRECIATION BBQ

On a beautiful evening, on Saturday, September 3rd, Rev Julie and her husband Steve Lomas opened up their garden this time for a ‘thank you’ barbecue for all those who help with the running of St Giles’ Church, Kilminster. They pray that they managed to speak with each and every person who was there, so that they could personally thank them for the time and effort that is spent in helping with the smooth running of the Church and the help that they have personally been given over this last year.



yummy and was very much enjoyed by everyone present. Thank you Steve and Julie for arranging this for us all – we can assure you that you are both very much loved and cherished.



In charge of the barbecue were Steve, Peter Squire and Stafford Seward – they all did a wonderful job. Peter also helped set up in the morning. We had entertainment for the evening provided by Mike Tyler and his swing band, Jurassic Coasters! The music and dancing went on into the night.

Rev Julie was once again on duty with her collar in place. Despite this we were able to persuade her to dance with Steve. Personally, I will never be able to get the image of them dancing together out of my head (in the best way!).

A wonderful selection of burgers, sausages, chicken, jacket potatoes and sweets was available. We of course had a healthy side too – this being salad. The food was all so very

We appreciate all that Rev Julie and Steve do for us, for our wonderful Church community and even beyond the Church into the further community. Thank you to all who provided refreshments and drinks for the event; and to those who worked behind the scenes making the night so very special.

Elana-May Blackmore

GIFT DAY THANKS

On behalf of the Church Council, Rev Julie and myself, I would like to record our sincere thanks to the residents of Kilminster and further afield for your generous donations to our annual appeal in support of St. Giles’ Church. The Church was open all day, and whilst hardy folk welcomed donors and visitors outside in the drizzle, a warm welcome



was waiting inside with refreshments and delicious biscuits!

Over £6,000 was received on that one day, which will help us to maintain the life of the Church for another year and on into the future. Every blessing to you all.

Christopher Thorne

ANSWERS TO THE ST GILES MINI QUIZ

1. Of the 1,650 churches in the Church of England how many are dedicated to St Giles? **160**
2. St Giles was born in which century? **7th**
3. St Giles is often depicted with what animal? **Deer**
4. What kind of person is St Giles associated with? a) all in need b) lepers c) having a physical disability **(ALL of these!)**
5. Inside St Giles’ Church here in Kilminster where will you find a depiction of St Giles? **a stained glass window**
6. How many days each week is St Giles’ Church open? **seven**



FAREWELL TO OUR COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

As I write this and despite all the reporting, mourning and pagentry, I am still finding it hard to believe that our long standing Commander-in-Chief, Queen Elizabeth II, is no longer with us. Like many others, I was extremely proud to serve my Queen and Country, and did so to the best of my ability for a little over 38 years. Along the way I was extremely lucky to have met the Queen in person. The first occasion was while serving in *HMS Sheffield* as a 19 year old Able Seaman. I was selected to stand guard at the gangway to Her Majesty's Royal Yacht, Britannia, while in Copenhagen. When she returned from a visit, she briefly stopped and asked my name, how long I had been on guard and if I was warm enough; as she proceeded onboard, I heard her say "Very smart". I can't express how proud I felt.

In 2001 I was honoured with an MBE for Operational Service in Sierra Leone. The very last to be presented to Her Majesty, I was astounded by how much she knew about the country, the operation as a whole and my own involvement. As you have heard so many others say, she had an ability to make all those she came in contact with, feel special and as though you were the only person in the room. Our thoughts, condolences and prayers go out to all in the Royal Family. To conclude, in 2007 I was honoured with an OBE for Operational Service in the Yemen. On this occasion, I was the penultimate recipient and my honour was presented by His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales. He immediately made me feel at ease, and his knowledge of my actions and achievements was just as astonishing as on the first occasion.

'GOD SAVE THE KING'

VILLAGE FAIR – AGM – REMEMBRANCE

Aside from everything that has been happening nationally, we in the Kilminster RBL have continued supporting village events and on the 10th September ran the BBQ and RBL stall as part of the Village Fair. It was certainly a very busy, entertaining day enjoyed by all those who took part. My thanks to all those who supported us and all those who helped on the day. Our next event will be our Annual General Meeting on Friday, 21st October in the Cricket Pavilion, where we hope you will join us for an aperitif and a quick reminder of the year's events.

Finally, we will gather on the playing field on Friday, 11th November to mark Armistice Day and then celebrate

Remembrance on Sunday, 13th November (full details will be in the November issue). Jean Falconer, our branch secretary, has reserved Haselbury Manor for our post-Remembrance meal. If you would like to join us, please contact Jean (01297 33708) or your shepherd to reserve a place. We will also run a coach if there is sufficient support.

Please take great care and stay safe.

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QUEEN ELIZABETH

Our gracious Queen Elizabeth has been called to rest
For 70 years her subjects have been truly blessed,
Her life was one of dignity, service and real love
A shining angel sent to earth from our Lord above.
She lived her life for the countries of the Commonwealth
Then age and total commitment caught up with her health,
Her love for her family with a few troubled years
She kept hidden and private with a smile and no tears.
Her staunch British character was there for all to see
An example for our children and for you and me,
She was loved and respected both at home and abroad
With her gentle demeanor and her love of the Lord.
Our servant Queen will be sadly missed by one and all,
Now King Charles must follow her example and stand tall,
The Queen's principles and morals the world sorely needs
So, he must take up the baton although his heart bleeds.

John Thorne



2022 POPPY APPEAL

The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal is always associated with cold, damp or even very wet days. So it seems a little strange writing an article about the 2022 Poppy Appeal whilst the country is basking in record temperatures. This year the Poppy Appeal starts on Thursday, 27th October and finishes on 13th November - Remembrance Sunday.

The Royal British Legion provide support for members of the Royal Navy, British Army, Royal Air Force, veterans and their families. By making a donation during the Poppy Appeal you are helping us to help those in need within the Armed Forces community. Kilmingdon has always been very generous in supporting the Poppy Appeal and we will again be putting in place a number of different ways that you can donate.

Our team of volunteers will deliver a gift aid envelope and two poppies to every house in the village. If you would like to donate, simply complete the Gift Aid envelope, seal it with your donation inside and take it to the Baptist Church, Kilmingdon. A collection box will be available when the church is open or you can use the secure church letterbox. Completing the Gift Aid means we can claim an extra 25p for every £1 you give.

Traditional collection tins will be available at Millers Farm Shop, Starbucks, The Baptist Church, St Giles' Church, Texaco Garage, New Inn, Old Inn and the Pit Stop. A special 'schools' pack of Poppy Appeal merchandise will be given to Kilmingdon Primary School.

Alternatively you can donate using one of the following:

- Donate direct to the Royal British Legion at <https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-involved/poppy-appeal>
- Donate By Text. To donate £2 text POPPY2 to 70545 or £5 text POPPY5 to 70545 or £10 text POPPY10 to 70545. Texts cost £2, £5 or £10 plus your standard network message rate.

On Saturday, 5th November, our Branch Chairman, Stafford Seward, will be touring the village in his 'gator utility vehicle' and will happily accept your donation. We will also have a team at Millers Farm Shop during the Appeal who will have available a range of products including items suitable for children along with metal pin badges and car and lorry poppies.

Finally, should anyone like to assist with the Poppy Appeal, we would love to hear from you. Each helper is allocated a small area within the village and is only required to deliver an envelope as outlined above.

Please support the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal this year. We need your support more than ever.

Thank You.

Peter and Louise Wood
tava@sky.com

Kilmingdon RBL Poppy Appeal Organisers

FIVE ALIVE OIL SYNDICATE

Please note that the October order deadline falls on Tuesday, 25th at 6.00 pm.

As usual I invite requests for specific amounts or if ordering a 'top up' or a full tank, then please submit a pretty accurate estimate as to the quantity that you require (nearest 100 litres) with a minimum order of 500 litres for all requests.

Colin Stewart
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VILLAGE HALL '100+' CLUB

The winners of the draw held on
31st August 2022

B Horwood	£30	B Woodsford	£5
D Bonetta	£15	Rev J Lomas	£5
S Agosti	£15	S Thompson	£5

For further details, please contact
Jean Falconer - 01297 33708

SUDOKU CHALLENGE

Level: Medium

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 25.

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CONGRATULATIONS AND CELEBRATIONS

PAM MUIRHEAD CELEBRATES HER 100th BIRTHDAY

On the 16th September 1922, Pamela Hartley Guest was born in a small hill station Mussoorie to parents living in the then British India. Since the climate was felt, in those pre-antibiotic days, to be unhealthy for young children, Pam (at the age of six) and her younger sister came back to the UK to be educated. Their mother would sail annually with P & O liners to visit her children during the summer holidays but that is the only contact that was had for the next twelve years, with the occasional additional visit of their father.

When war broke out the girls took the last opportunity to re-join their parents back in India, where life was very different. Fortunately, Pam's parents had excellent relationships with their employees. Indeed her father was the only Englishman to be elected by the Indian voters to represent them in Parliament. Working as PA to her father, Pam met her future husband Roland Riton Muirhead who was in the Hyderabad Regiment in the British Indian Army. They were married in Lahore Cathedral in February 1945 and soon had a son, Peter. With Independence, Partition and an enforced arbitrary boundary dividing India and Lahore, riots and dissension were rife. A large refugee camp was adjacent to their garden and Roland gave Pam a gun and three bullets in case of a mob attack; one for the first assassin, one for the baby, and one for herself.

With the disbandment of the British Indian Army, the family returned to Britain and life in the services continued with the



arrival of a daughter, Gail, and postings to Germany, Egypt and all over the UK, Pam was now working with The Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Families Association - SSAFA. Retirement brought them down to the South West and for many years they lived in the outreaches of Lyme Regis. Roland calculated he had walked half-way round the world on his daily trip down their access track to collect milk and papers! Gail, two children and ponies joined them nearby in Devon. Soon it was time for Pam to leave her wonderful

garden and downsize to Kilmington. Pam had joined the Embroiderers' Guild in Colyton and added gold work to her sewing, smocking and tapestry skills.

A few years after celebrating their Golden Wedding, Roland sadly died in 2004.

Pam feels that she has been very blessed to have had such lovely neighbours in Kilmington in her later years

and enjoys the interaction (pre and post Covid lockdowns!) of friends dropping in. Until 'Covid', Margery Rogers and she were avid crossword solvers and spent many hours chatting and solving the weekly Saturday crossword. With great grandchildren living locally and in Australia, she enjoys seeing and hearing about their lives and, with children and grandchildren who regularly keep in contact, Pam rarely feels lonely and finds herself immersed in her books when on her own.

Gail Beecroft and Peter Ball



GREAT NORTH RUN 2022

I should like to thank all those generous people who sponsored me to run for 'Children with Cancer'.

£1,025 has been raised to this date for the charity, which far exceeds my hopes. If, between us, we can save one young life, then it will have been well worth the pain!

Thank you all once again (and never again!!)

Peter Guy



Cookery Corner

This month's recipes have an autumnal feel. The Sausage and Parmesan Cobbler is an ideal warming main course for the cooler days. The portions are quite generous so any left-overs can be frozen. The Gingernut biscuits are a firm favourite with my family. The biscuits are quick and easy to prepare and would make a good half-term holiday activity. The Muffins are an ideal recipe to use up the left-over pumpkin puree from making Halloween lanterns.

SAUSAGE AND PARMESAN COBBLER

Serves 6

- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 12 large or 18 chipolata sausages
- 4 rashers of smoked bacon, chopped
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1 large carrot, diced
- 1 garlic clove, crushed
- 5 sage leaves, chopped
- 1 tsp smoked paprika
- 2 tbsp tomato puree
- 2 x 400g tins of chopped tomatoes
- 1 x 400g tin of cannellini beans, drained and rinsed
- 1 tbsp Worcestershire sauce

Cobbler:

- 250g/10oz self-raising flour
- 50g/2oz, unsalted butter
- 125ml/5fl oz milk
- 1 egg, beaten
- 50g/2oz parmesan



Method

1. Heat the oil in frying pan and brown the sausages for 5 - 10 minutes. Remove from the pan. Add the bacon and

brown, then add the onion and carrot, cover and cook gently for 10 minutes until soft.

2. Turn up the heat and add the garlic, sage and tomato puree, cook for 1 minute then add all the other ingredients along with the browned sausages. Simmer for 4-5 minutes then tip into a large casserole dish.
3. Bake at 180C fan/200C/gas 7 for 30 minutes.
4. Meanwhile make the Cobbler topping. Sieve the flour in a large bowl, rub the butter in until the mix resembles fine breadcrumbs. Add the parmesan cheese.
5. Mix the milk with half the egg and add to the flour mixture to form a soft dough.
6. Divide the dough into 6 even pieces. Roll each piece into a 'rope' approx 30cm long. Roll up into a spiral. Brush with beaten egg and sprinkle with a little parmesan cheese.
7. Remove the sausage casserole, add a little water if necessary. Lay the cobbler spirals on top and cook for a further 25-30 minutes until the cobbler spirals have risen and browned and the sausage casserole is bubbling beneath.
8. Serve with mashed potato and seasonal vegetables.

PUMPKIN AND WALNUT MUFFINS

Makes 12

- 225g/9oz plain flour
- 2 tsp baking powder
- 1 tbsp ground cinnamon
- 150g/6oz light muscovado sugar
- 200g/8oz pumpkin puree (fresh or canned)
- 50g/2oz chopped walnuts
- 2 large eggs
- 125g/5oz unsalted butter, melted

Topping:

- 25g/1oz softened, unsalted butter
- 50g/2oz icing sugar
- 75g/3oz cream cheese
- Vanilla essence
- 12 walnut halves, opt



Method

1. Mix the flour, baking powder, cinnamon, sugar and chopped walnuts together in a large bowl.
2. Beat the pumpkin puree and the eggs together and pour into the dry ingredients along with the melted butter. Whisk for 2-3 minutes until well combined.
3. Spoon into a 12-hole muffin tray lined with muffin cases.
4. Bake at 180C fan/200C/gas 7 for 15-20 minutes until golden and well risen.
5. Allow to cool on a wire rack.
6. Mix the butter, icing sugar and cream cheese together. Add a few drops of vanilla essence. Use to top the cooled muffins and finish off with a walnut half.
7. The original recipe says that these keep well for 3 days, but I think they are best eaten on the day they are made.

GINGERNUT BISCUITS

Makes approx. 30

- 100g/4oz unsalted butter
- 1 generous tablespoon of golden syrup (approx. 80g)
- 350g/14oz self-raising flour
- 100g/4oz light muscovado sugar
- 100g/4oz demerara sugar
- 1 level tsp of bicarbonate of soda
- 1 level tbsp ground ginger
- 1 large egg, beaten



Method

1. Put the butter and golden syrup into a small pan and gently heat together until the butter has melted.
2. Mix all the dry ingredients together in a large bowl, add the melted butter mixture and the egg.
3. Form the dough into approx. 30 walnut size balls.
4. Place well apart on lightly greased baking trays. Bake for 15-20 minutes until golden.
5. Leave to cool on a wire rack and store in an airtight container for up to 4 days.

Diane Overton



KILMINGTON CRICKET CLUB

The cricket season ended with a good-natured friendly against a team raised by our old colleague, Simon Church. Not a single game was lost to the weather and, on occasions, it was extremely hot on the field.

With the 1st XI having their first taste of the rarefied atmosphere of A Division cricket and the 2nd XI in the G Division East, our aspirations were clear; try and stay in the A Division and gain promotion for the 2nd XI. The club felt we had recruited well, signing long time guest player, Joel Seward, Josh Cann and Australian fast bowler Oscar Oborn-Corby. In all, 17 new players registered with Kilminster this season.

Due to Topsham calling off our first 2nd XI game, a large contingent from the club went to Budleigh for the first A Division game and the team warranted our support with a fine win. A win against Exeter followed in the second week and the club was on cloud nine. It was never just going to be that easy though and a mixture of wins and defeats followed, some with good performances, some with less good. The team entered the final three weeks of the season knowing it was between Barton and Kilminster for the final relegation

place. Wins by 2 wickets and 1 wicket in incredibly tight games against Torquay and Barton, respectively, saw the team to safety and they finished the season in 8th place with 8 wins out of 18 games, a highly respectable return. Beating Exeter and Torquay were undoubted highlights, and Budleigh probably feel their two defeats to Kilminster cost them promotion. To survive in a Division containing the likes of Jason Niemand, Jiniv Joshi, Tino Mutombodzi, Elliot Hamilton, Jonty Walliker, George Greenway, James Horler, Siddeth Veer, Jehan Daniels and Chaminda Peiris, amongst others, is a real achievement.

100s by Josh Short and Josh Cann against Budleigh were a highlight. Short finished top run scorer with 434. Cann, Tom Gooding, Joel Seward and Matt Rockett all scored over 300 runs but fast bowler, Ollie Reed, topped the averages with 188 runs at 31.33. Seward (22 at 28.05) took most wickets and topped the averages ahead of Short (21 at 28.62) and Oscar Oborn-Corby (20 at 34.75), although most league wickets were taken by Ben Fuzzard (25 at 19.36) across both teams. All the players made at least one telling contribution and should have the confidence to perform even better next year.



*Leading run scorers
Josh Short and Josh Cann*



*Top of the batting
averages*



*Top bowler
Joel Seward*

The 2nd XI, led by Giles Dixon, finished the season in second place to gain promotion to the F Division East next season. The team was well served by members of the 1st XI squad when they were picked for the 2nd XI. The Fuzzard brothers, Ben and Dan, made some telling contributions with the ball, along with 'Mr Economy' Mike Summers, Dean Wills and Tom Olive. The real fireworks came with the bat from the Cook brothers Ralph (559 runs at 50.82) and Hal

(402 runs at 44.67) plus Olive (307 runs at 43.86) but they were all in the slipstream of Alex Rockett. Alex (1,321 at 110.08) became the first Kilminster player to score 1,000 runs in a league season. His return included two double hundreds (unique), three other hundreds and four fifties. He scored the most runs in the whole of the Devon league and the league's highest ever score 299. Extraordinary numbers!



*Record breaker
Alex Rockett*



*Most league wickets
Ben Fuzzard*



*'Mr Economy'
Mike Summers*

KILMINGTON VILLAGE SHOW 2022

This year's Village Show ended what was a very sad week. On Thursday evening, we were in the middle of erecting the show ring when we received the shocking news of the death of Her Majesty. Over the next day, as we all tried to come to terms with losing our beloved monarch, we had to decide if we should hold the show or not. The official mourning guidelines passed on such decisions to event organisers, so the show committee consulted all those involved. The opinion was unanimous, in that all felt that Her Majesty would not have wanted such events cancelled as her life was dedicated to building strong communities.

On show day we were blessed with fine weather and were supported with a great turn-out. The field was buzzing with local families, many with young children. At 2.00 pm Peter Ball, Chairman of Kilmington Parish Council, invited everyone to join in a two minute silence to pay our respects to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. He also reminded us that our show was an opportunity to welcome our new monarch King Charles III.

The entertainment in the show ring literally kicked off with The Honky Tonk Stompers line dancers. After a few demonstration numbers, they invited the audience to join in and several local ladies attempted to follow their moves - with varying success, but there were lots of laughs!

Meanwhile, a very large crowd of children (and parents!) were enjoying the magic and mischief of our regular favourite, Professor Bumble.

No family show would be complete without something for our furry friends and Lisa Spiller and her daughters Lauren and Daisy organised a full range of classes in the Fun Dog Show. Once again it proved to be a great asset to the show which many enjoyed. Our thanks to James Hoad for the unenviable task of judging.

Visitors wandered round plenty of stalls, children taking turns entering the amusement games. A popular display was the snakes and reptiles that Garwynn and his team bought along. It was wonderful to see a constant crowd gathered around them and quite a few villagers were seen with a very large Burmese Python draped around their necks. The Exeter Company of Archery had a very busy time with a queue of budding Robin Hoods learning how to fire off arrows across

the field. Our cake ladies, Barbara Woodsford and Christine Mills, did a great job selling all the cakes that were kindly donated.

In the show ring our plans for the annual Kilmington Gold Cup (Egg Cup!) Chicken Races had to be adapted at the last moment after Defra announced a movement ban on live birds. So, out came six rubber chickens on the end of string. These were wound up the race course by some seriously competitive volunteers with very loud audience encouragement from the punters who had bet on them. With all that excitement, perhaps this version will be staying.

For those who wanted to sit and relax, Postie Chris and his wife Ollie did a splendid job singing throughout the afternoon entertaining everyone. What better way to enjoy your cream teas and cake which were provided by Caroline Wallbank and her team from The Beacon Baptist church? Their profit has been sent to the charity The Tear Fund who are supporting victims of the floods in Pakistan. If you wanted a serious snack, Stafford and Di Seward and team were cooking some tasty BBQ food; 50% of their profit went to support the work of the Royal British Legion. To wash it all down, John Watts and Jenny Nickolls kept everyone hydrated from the bar! I hear the Pimms went down very well.

Throughout the afternoon there was a very friendly atmosphere, particularly for those feeling a little down. It was lovely to see lots of happy smiling faces and to hear lots of laughter at this sad time. We hope you all had an enjoyable afternoon.

All of this was only possible because of the hard work of the show committee: Louise Quincey, Martin Cumbers, Eileen Birch and Gemma Hill, who pulled the whole show together. A big thank you goes to Maureen Lane who once again created a bright and colourful advertising poster; Arnold and Alison Dare and family who lent us the field, put in the show ring and delivered the Skittles; our sponsor Vicary & Co Estate Agents. And to our many helpers who manned the gate and helped on stalls and all of those who donated cakes, bottles and prizes.

Lesley Rew
Chair Kilmington Show Committee

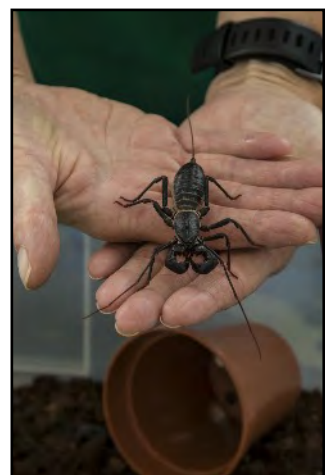
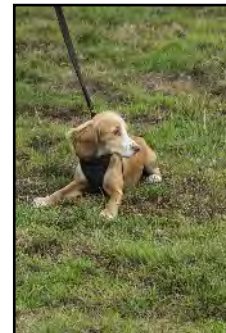
CREAM TEA FOR HOSPISCARE

On Saturday, 17th September a Cream and Savoury Tea was held in the Village Hall. A very enjoyable afternoon was had and £485.50 was raised.

Thank you to all who helped in any way.

Barbara Woodsford

KILMINGTON VILLAGE SHOW 2022



MAD moments in the garden



Following the death of the Queen in her Platinum Jubilee year it seems even more appropriate to 'plant a tree for the Jubilee' in her memory.

Thanks.

Any time after October through to Spring is a good time to plant, while trees are dormant or heading that way. A bare-root tree, usually bought directly from a nursery, can be planted anytime from now when the ground is not waterlogged or frozen, so the sooner the better. You can also buy a container-grown tree from garden centres that can be planted at any time. They do tend to be more expensive.

Most trees, especially container trees, require watering during their first year in dry periods. Otherwise they can generally be left to get on with it. Like boiling an egg, there are many ways to plant a tree. I have found starting with a square, deep hole is the best; digging as deep as you can to check there is no obstruction to prevent downward root development. This will help the tree establish quickly. Backfill the hole with the same soil to plant the tree at the same depth as it was in the pot or where you can see it was planted before. I have always added mycorrhizal powder below the roots, which helps the tree develop a network of roots. I don't add compost to the hole but add a mulch on top to suppress weeds and prevent moisture loss.

The most difficult bit is choosing your tree. A few questions to help in the selection process: do you want it to have a single season wow factor or be an all-round addition to what you have already? Are you adding to more trees? If so, what is missing? Evergreen structure? Spring blossom or colour? Autumn colour or food for you and/ or the birds? What about the structure? Tall and thin and something that moves in a breeze or smaller and a rounded shape? So many decisions! A good way to help you decide is to visit other

gardens and see if you can find a tree you think that might look good in your space.

Some suggestions, a few favourites that have always served me very well. These are nothing very unusual, as sometimes 'tried and tested' when space is at a premium is the best way forward.

Betula utilis var *jacquemontii*, a Himalayan Silver Birch with stunning white bark and fine branches and small leaves that gently waft in light breezes. Plant a multi-stem tree if you can or a group of three together. Greatest impact in winter.

Malus robusta 'Red Sentinel', a medium-sized tree with masses of pretty blossom in Spring and heavily laden with an unusual shade of red fruit (crab apples) from early autumn that hang on all through the winter. The birds in this garden don't seem to eat them.

Acer palmatum 'Sangio Kaku', the coral barked Acer. A fabulous small tree, delicate and tidy and easy to create a lovely shape from. It has great colour all year round, bright green fresh leaves in spring that cover the coral branches that are so attractive all winter. In autumn these leaves turn a pinky orange red, remaining on the tree often until November.

Osmanthus 'Burkwoodii' can be a large shrub, or as it is here in my garden, a spreading tree easily pruned to fit in any space providing an evergreen presence. It has small dark blue-green leaves and a masses of delicate flowers that pump out a delicious scent in early spring.

What a great way to mark this historic year. Please don't forget to send pictures of your tree-planting to Jean Falconer for the website.

Mary-Anne Driscoll



SAVING SPECIAL SPECIES

East Devon AONB Saving Special Species Events



Autumn Tree Safari in the Medieval Deer Park Saturday, 29th October, 10.30 am – 1.00 pm Woodend Deer Park, Shute

Join local tree enthusiast Tom Bush, Bicton College, for a chance to see amazing ancient trees in their resplendent autumn colour and a guided walk in this historic medieval deer park.

Little changed in centuries, and home to the 900-year-old King John's Oak, this woodland is an excellent place to learn about the importance of ancient and veteran trees, the diverse wildlife they support and their value in our lives and on the planet.

Also find out more about the Ancient Tree Hunt, a national tree survey project.

Activities for children. Bring cameras. Free event – all welcome.

Special thanks to the Bird Family for kindly giving us access.

Saving Special Species

These FREE events are part of East Devon AONB's Saving Special Species Project – part of a nationwide AONB nature recovery initiative to improve the conservation and safeguarding of threatened wildlife.

More information: [Saving Special Species](#)

Booking Essential - via Eventbrite:
www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/bats-about-bats-tickets-374260542357

Or contact Ruth Worsley, East Devon AONB Engagement Officer, 01297 489741 savingspecialspecies@gmail.com

Parking and meeting point details given on booking.



KILMINGTON GARDENING CLUB

THE REVIVAL OF THE GREAT BRITISH FLOWER INDUSTRY –

CHARLOTTE HEAVISIDES

www.kilmingtongardeningclub.co.uk

Charlotte Heavisides is one of a new generation of flower farmers who are trying to regenerate the once-thriving British industry. In order to illustrate the current state of the industry, Charlotte asked the audience whether they knew which of the flowers that are available in supermarkets are grown in the UK and it seems that tulips, daffodils and Sweet Williams are UK grown but most other varieties are grown elsewhere. Charlotte then looked at the history of the UK flower industry as well as present developments and its possible future.

Until the 1950's the majority of flowers were domestically grown and there were daily trains to major flower markets. For example, 200 million narcissi and daffodils were shipped from the Isles of Scilly in wooden boxes. The thriving rose-growing industry produced over one million plants a year before WWII, Harry Wheatcroft being one of the most well-known growers. Throughout the 70's and 80's 10,000 acres were devoted to daffodils and tulips in Spalding but by 1990 the acreage was down to 1,000. In the 1970's there were more than 120 chrysanthemum growers producing 60 million blooms. Currently only three growers remain. And there are no commercial carnation growers in the UK.

In the 1950s the Dutch government invested heavily in horticulture and subsidised flower growers. New methods and technology were introduced which put Dutch growers ahead of the competition and flowers were grown in huge greenhouses. Not only that, flowers from all over the world are traded every day in the Dutch auction system. Around 43 million flowers are sold daily! Charlotte continued to stagger us with the statistic that the average box of flowers travels 4,400 miles!

What are the advantages of the industrial level of flower farming? The majority of flowers can be bought all year round, they are cheap, uniform and, as they are mass-produced, people know what they're getting. They can keep abreast of trends and they have a long vase life.

The disadvantages however, are not inconsiderable. Flowers from overseas have a very large carbon footprint, they are treated with pesticides and fungicides and they are bred not

to have scent. They are grown in areas where resources are low and water is diverted from local habitats and workers may not be treated fairly. Workers picking flowers are punished if they stand up more than twice a day. In Ethiopia, 2.5-4 million roses are produced per day. Flowers are sprayed with chemicals which are banned in Europe. An analysis from supermarket roses found 107 different chemicals – 50% pesticides, 46% fungicides, 4% growth chemicals.

Turning to the 'Flowers from the Farm' initiative, which was set up in 2011, Charlotte explained that there is a website which lists all the growers who are part of it and the aim is to encourage more people to grow cut flowers for market in the UK and to promote British-grown flowers. Obviously, the season is from March to November but the flowers change throughout the seasons, have more scent and pose no risk to health for either growers or florists and no two bouquets are the same.

The company, Smith and Munson, in Spalding has already embraced new ways of growing as they are growing tulips and summer lilies hydroponically, and Electric Daisy is an ethical London florist using flowers grown in Somerset (also a member of 'Flowers from the Farm'). People are asking more questions about the origins of flowers as there is increasing awareness of the choice of British flowers among the public. The group answers demand among growers to expand and there are encouraging signs that more growers are starting up. More florists are selling locally-grown flowers and they are using sustainable materials instead of floral foam.

The British flower industry used to be a thriving one and in order to regenerate it, the message is that people should support the industry by finding their local grower through 'Flowers from the Farm': www.flowersfromthefarm.co.uk/

Charlotte's own company is Flowers on the Hill:
www.flowersonthehilldevon@gmail.com

Members came away resolved to buy fewer bouquets from the local supermarket!

Jean Falkoner

HOSPISCARE AND KILMINGTON OPEN GARDENS

Thank you to everyone who visited our gardens this year to help raise money for Hospiscare (Care at Home). A big 'thank you' too to all our helpers. We are delighted to tell you that just over £1,400 has been raised from donations at the gate and from the delicious cakes and cups of tea you have enjoyed.

We hope many of you will support our final opening for 2022. More tasty teas guaranteed and, hopefully, some autumn colour, so the gardens should look very different from spring and mid-summer.

**Please join us on Saturday 29th or Sunday 30th October
between 1.30 and 5.00 pm. Teas at Breach.**

Mary-Anne at Betty's Ground
BJ and Judith at Breach

KILMINGTON HISTORY GROUP

An Update – and a Call for Help

Doesn't Time Fly?

Readers may recall from the November 2021 edition of *Postscript* that a group of village residents set themselves the task of creating a 'Kilminster Archive' to catalogue and collate a 'repository' of material related to the history of Kilminster. The *Kilminster History Group* (KHG) was formed earlier this year by those who responded to the call for support with the collective ambition:

- To establish, catalogue and maintain an archive of materials relating to the history of Kilminster.
- To transcribe or scan materials into digital format wherever possible.
- To build and maintain a dedicated website so that material is accessible to interested parties.
- To encourage, promote and support research into the history of Kilminster.

We are already making a steady start, but the size of the task that we have set for ourselves cannot be overestimated and, of course, our ambitions broaden!

Meet the Clubs

KHG set up its stall and contributed to the 'Meet the Clubs' event held at the Village Hall in July. It was a great success and many residents, both young and not so young, were 'drawn in' by the slide-show of historical photographs of the village. It was a wonderful introduction and sparked many enlightening discussions with interested people keen to share

their memories. It is obvious that a vast amount of knowledge and interest in Kilminster's past exists.

We were able to take some pledges of support on the day for the contribution or loan of historical documents, photographs and even oral histories and accounts – thank you to those who have already committed to help. But of course, not everyone was able to attend or will even be aware of our ambition or need of support.

A Call for Treasure

And so – we would like to make another call for your help. This must be a village team effort if the ambitions are to be realised.

If any other readers are willing to loan, gift or even allow temporary access to any historical documents associated with the history of our village, then we would be delighted to hear from you. Perhaps you have old conveyancing or probate documents, family or village photographs, maps or letters? Perhaps you have something quite unique which hasn't seen the light of day for decades stored at the back of an old wardrobe? We are interested. Every piece tells, or contributes, to a story – and of course each piece would be treated with utmost care and discretion – they are after all *treasures*.

Perhaps instead you would just like to have a chat about what you know, or even provide a spoken record? We will supply the biscuits! In the meantime, if you have any questions or thoughts, please contact the Kilminster History Group at KHG@kilminstervillage.com.

Kilminster History Group

CPRE BIDS FAREWELL TO HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN

The death of CPRE's patron, the Queen, marks the end of an era for the countryside charity, writes Devon CPRE Director Penny Mills

The national countryside charity, CPRE, was honoured to have Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II as our patron throughout her long reign. Her Majesty's enduring commitment will be long remembered by the national charity and by CPRE's network of local branches, including ours here in Devon. We are all mourning someone who has been so much a part of the life of the nation for so long that it is hard to imagine public life without her.

Since becoming our patron 70 years ago, the Queen has taken a keen interest in the charity's work, sending regular messages of support and encouragement. Throughout this time, she demonstrated her unequivocal love for the British countryside, helping CPRE celebrate its 80th birthday and other significant occasions. On such visits, she was always keen to spend as much time as possible chatting to our volunteers about their local countryside and the rural issues that impacted their lives.

Now we hope her successor, King Charles III, will take on her mantle as a champion of the countryside. His mother's love of the Great Outdoors runs deep in the veins of our new King, who loved the family's annual holidays at Balmoral and enjoyed a rural lifestyle at his own country estate in Gloucestershire. He has long been interested in farming and

other aspects of rural life and was ahead of the curve in championing organic farming practices.

As King-in-waiting, Prince Charles showed an acute awareness of the importance of the environment and good planning - interests that bode well for a campaigning environmental charity like ours.

As Charles III begins his reign, our new Prime Minister, Liz Truss, takes up her term of office at Number Ten. We look to her to make good on her words during the leadership hustings when she was reported as saying she did not favour fields of solar panels. However, we are not overly optimistic her leadership will make a big impact on issues like solar farming because our trust in the Government has recently been dented - yet again!

Devon CPRE joins the nation in mourning the death of our longest-reigning monarch. We bid you a fond farewell, Your Majesty.

If you would like to help Devon CPRE protect the countryside for future generations, find out more at www.devoncpre.org.uk

Sharon Goble

NATURE NOTES

‘EAST DEVON AONB ACLAND AWARD’ KILMINGTON VOLUNTEERS SHORT-LISTED



You may recall that last year a small group of volunteers led by Judith and David Simpson started a project to restore parts of Kilminster Common to the original Lowland Heathland, which is now particularly scarce across the country. With the support of the Parish Council, East Devon AONB awarded us a small Communities Project Fund grant so we could purchase basic tools. They also provided some advice about the ongoing management of the common.

Each year the East Devon AONB holds a meeting to celebrate local projects that are making a difference by contributing to sustainable communities. This year's theme is 'Sustainable Landscapes – Regeneration & Restoration', exploring how partner projects, and local landscape management initiatives, are facing up to the threats of changing climate conditions in East Devon and acting to tackle bio-diversity decline. The Acland Award, 'an annual commendation of innovative and meaningful activity that enhances, conserves and promotes the AONB' is presented at the meeting.

Congratulations to our Kilminster Action Group as they have been shortlisted to receive the accolade. We will keep you posted on how they get on. Their work parties of village volunteers started the long job to regenerate the heathland over last winter. Much of the open common area had become overgrown with bramble and grasses and whilst regular cutting keeps it looking tidy, many wild plants are removed before they have a chance to flower. Also, leaving cuttings on the site is detrimental as it smothers vegetation and creates compost which enriches the soil, encouraging rank grasses in preference to heathland. Results will not come overnight and of course the hot dry weather this year has not helped. Work starts again this month so why not join in?

HEDGEHOGS

The hot weather this summer has had a big impact on the wildlife, we have seen this first-hand at the Hedgehog Hut.

Young hedgehogs were being abandoned as their mothers became dehydrated and their milk supply dried up. Babies were being brought in and it started to resemble a kindergarten with the very small ones being hand fed every two hours.



until they can be released back into the wild.

We all buy the food needed for the ones in our care and rely on donations to cover the cost of the medicine, as it can cost up to £30 for each hog, so you can see it doesn't take long before the cost runs into the hundreds of pounds each month.

There was also an increase in sick and injured hogs that had either been struck by a strimmer, caught up in garden netting or fallen down drains; in August alone 51 hogs were admitted. The very poorly ones stay with Alison at the hut and the rest are distributed between five of us to nurse them

We are running a raffle to raise much needed funds, it's £2 per ticket and it's being drawn on Saturday, 29th October.

They are available from myself on 07900827689 or at Jurassic Vets, Colyton. Thank you.

Lesley Rew

FLOWERS OF THE MONTH



Marigold

Cosmos



GOWRIE HOUSE

(and Cottage)

In gold lettering, high on its white painted gable end, Gowrie House proudly boasts that its origins extend to 1822 and that it was built by Henry Adams. This year is therefore its bicentennial anniversary and the reason for this look back in time at one of Kilmington's historical houses.

When it was built, alongside the Exeter Road, this part of Kilmington would have looked very different. There were no other dwellings further along Shute Road and most of the parish land to the west of the village centre (west of The Hill) was known as 'Kilmington Common', but this would soon change after the parliamentary 'Enclosure Act' for Kilmington came into force in 1842. No doubt the house bore daily witness to bustling activities of a travelling public going back and forth making a living much like it does today. This was before the highway was diverted along the route of the current A35 and before the emergence of the railways; it was at the pinnacle of Britain's coaching era. Nearby coaching inns, the 'Old Inn' and the 'George Inn' would no doubt have encouraged travellers to stop.

This quirky house has had a colourful life and has been many things to many people. It was bought and sold not less than thirteen times in its lifetime so far and it has been the home or place of lodging and work for scores, if not hundreds of people; too many to attempt to catalogue or describe here.



We are fortunate that the current custodians of Gowrie House possess many of the original conveyancing documents; some almost unintelligible and inked with fading spidery script scratched onto vellum and sealed with blobs of red wax. It is from these that we can piece together a framework with which to build the history of Gowrie House, which is presented briefly below.

What's in a Name?

Historical archives first record the house simply as a 'dwelling house in Kilmington Hill' bordered by the 'turnpike' leading from Axminster to Honiton on the north and 'Kilmington Common' on the west.

The first record of the name 'Gowrie', which I have located, arrived with the 1871 census, almost fifty years after the house came into existence but the origins of the name seem a mystery.

From Early Beginnings

HENRY ADAMS, an ambitious and visionary blacksmith, had previously bought a lease for the land of one thousand years from William Tucker Esq. of Coryton Park, in 1822 for £250 and by 1825 had built and owned both the houses which we today know as 'The Old Bakery' and 'Gowrie House'.

That year, JAMES FRENCH Snr (born in 1755) bought the 'dwelling house and garden' complete with lincage (an open-fronted lean-to structure). By the time of the 1840 'tithe apportionment and map' James French Snr is recorded as

being the owner-occupant whereas JAMES FRENCH Jnr owned, lived and made his living as a baker next door. In 1837 James French Snr had married local widow GWEN SPANTON. This would be the third marriage for each and by that time he had already brought a progeny of six children, thirty-seven grandchildren and fourteen great grandchildren into the area. It must have felt like a French invasion! James died nine years later at the venerable age of 91 and is buried at the Baptist meeting house at Loughwood.

By 1852 the house had been sold to Axminster draper SAMUEL STRONG GAMIS for £160, although it seems unlikely that he took up residence. Samuel died in 1855 leaving the house, and other properties, to his wife HANNAH. In-line with her husband's dying wishes, Hannah then used the house as part of a business arrangement to cement her next marriage to the Reverend JOSEPH PRICE; Gowrie House was used as a dowry. I cannot help but wonder if this is where the origins of the name 'Gowrie' came from. Could it once have been locally called 'Dowry' cottage – later corrupted to Gowry – or Gowrie? The timings seem to fit, although this is entirely speculation on my part.

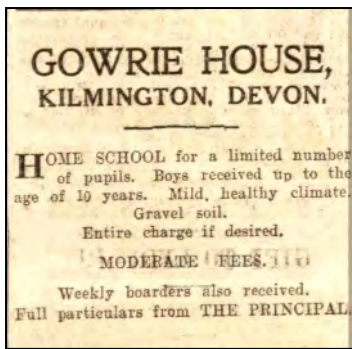
An Eminent Engineer

JOSEPH DAND GREEN purchased the house in 1866 and lived there for the next seven years. Joseph's father, James Green, was one of the country's most eminent civil engineers of the industrial age, particularly in the southwest of England, having worked alongside industry giants John Rennie and Thomas Telford. Readers of the November 2021 issue of *Postscript* will probably recall the story of the great ship canal planned to cut through Kilmington en-route from the Bristol Channel to Beer Harbour. James Green played a crucial part in the planning and survey of this enterprise. Physical legacies of James' other achievements remain littered throughout the southwest in the form of great buildings, canals, bridges and roads (amongst others). He became Devon's first county surveyor, earning a salary of £300 per annum, a huge amount of money for the time, and was granted freedom of the city of Exeter. Joseph Dand (named after his mother) was no engineering slouch either; whilst less known or prolific than his eminent father, he was well respected and before his move to Kilmington had been Superintendent to the Bristol Docks. It was there that he worked with yet another industry giant, Isambard Kingdom Brunel on his famous 'Swing Bridge' in the heart of that city.

The SNELL family, another local name, bought Gowrie House in 1873 and would live there for the next thirty-five years. It was during that time that records suggest that 'Gowrie Cottage' came into existence. The lincage was replaced by 'an outbuilding comprising storeroom, upstairs room, wash house, coal cellar and closet'.

Gowrie House School

In 1908 Gowrie House (and cottage!) was sold again and over the next twenty-six years the buildings were leased to various families, including the LAVENDERS (house) and more SNELLS (cottage). By 1924, MINNIE KATE CARTER-FEY had assumed residence and shortly thereafter advertised Gowrie House as a 'Home School for Girls' to



places as far away as Lahore, then part of Britain's colonial outreach (now in Pakistan) to proclaim that 'Glorious Devon' was the place for the 'careful tuition' of children with overseas parents. After all, it had a 'mild climate and 'gravel soil', what was not to like? And if those

inducements were insufficient, a London trained expert would teach dancing classes to the budding debutantes. Records testifying to the success of 'Gowrie House School' seem absent, but by 1930 Principal Carter-Fey had registered the property as a 'private hotel' and throughout 1933 and 1934 the cottage was advertised as an 'unconventional' bed and breakfast for 'boys or bachelors' who could come and enjoy magnificent scenery just six miles from a seaside resort and with such facilities as a 'shed', all for 15 shillings!

Between 1934 and 1950, the French family once again took ownership. EDWIN FRENCH lived there with his wife ETHEL until 1950 working as 'baker and confectioner' at the family business next door. When Gowrie House was later sold in 1955 Gowrie Cottage was not part of the arrangement – and it is therefore here that we must leave their intertwined histories behind.

A Distinguished Army Man

August 1966 saw the arrival of new owners Major General JOHN EDWARD TALBOT YOUNGER C.B. and his wife, HARRIET BISSET who by then were already in their seventies. Perhaps they were swayed by the sales brochure which described Gowrie House as '*an unspoilt character cottage of infinite charm*'.

It is highly likely that some readers of *Postscript* still remember the elderly general and his wife. Known as J.E.T. Younger, he was a distinguished career soldier and served in



both world wars with the Royal Artillery. Notably, he took part in one of Britain's final cavalry charges at the first battle of Mons in 1914 and was captured having been forced back to La

Cateau. It is said that he spent the remainder of the Great War in dreadful conditions. During World War II he toured North Africa and afterwards, at the instruction of none other than Field Marshall Bernard Montgomery, founded both the Army Ski Association (1947) and the Army Mountaineering Association (1957). Harriet was the youngest daughter of Sir Robert Holmes and Lady Isabella Holmes of Bemerton, Salisbury. Both reached a great age.

And then we come to the current custodians, NIGEL and PAT BURTON who bought the house thirty-three years ago and to whom I give thanks for the loan of their archive material. The rest will, of course, be the future's history.

If anyone knows the reason for the name 'Gowrie' or of any key 'missing pieces' of the history the house, both I and the *Kilmington History Group* would be grateful to know. As each generation passes by, the facts which were once widely known and considered unworthy of recording pass into obscurity.

Alan Clarkson

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In the latest newsletter, no 48, ALCS thanks the Lyme Regis Golf Club for a generous donation, which will help to fund the charity in its continuing support for people coping with the various stages of cancer treatment. This time they recommend the website 'Big Health Macmillan', which offers remedies for insomnia and anxiety, and also the Macmillan Hope programme 2022, 'Living with or after diagnosis'. The 'Meet the Therapist' slot features Diana Hayton who specialises in Pilates as well as Health and Fitness. She is an advanced level instructor and personal trainer in a multitude of disciplines both in and out of the water, including Fitness Yoga, Aquafit, and Pilates. Having overcome cancer, surgery, chemotherapy and radiotherapy herself, she has an understanding of their mental and physical effects on the mind and body. Using a combination of diet, movement, mindfulness, exercise, good sleep, gut health and positive attitude, she nurtures her clients to improve their physical and mental well-being.

The newsletter also mentions a course of six sessions of mixed-media drawing in the Stanley Studios in Kilminster, starting on September 21st but continuing throughout October. Other activities in October include:

Monday, 10th October – Autumn Flower Workshop 2.00–4.00 pm at Lyme Regis Football Club

Saturday, 15th October - Blokes Brunch - 9.30–11.00 am.
Location TBC

Monday, 17th October – Managing Worries with Jo Little – 2.30–3.30 pm – Axminster Hospital Scott Rowe Room

Monday, 24th October – Mindfulness Workshop - 2.30-3.30 pm – Lyme Regis Football Club

Tuesday, 25th October - Pie and Pint - 6.30 – 8.30 pm –
Location TBC

If you would like to receive the full newsletter with more information and more detail, or have any queries for ALCS, please use one of the addresses above to contact them.



HALLOWEEN



Halloween....can you wean yourself off it being full of single-use plastic?

Did you know that in the UK we spent over £500 million (you read it correctly!) in 2021 and that figure is set to increase?

A terrifying amount of costumes are purchased each year, many to be worn only, once and it is estimated that seven million of them end up in the bin? It is calculated that 83% of the material used is from oil-based plastic, usually polyester. Instead, why not swap a costume with a friend, or find a second-hand costume on sites such as Ebay, Olio, Depop, Freecycle etc or in the charity shops. Here's a novel suggestion found on the Internet – draw a skeleton onto black clothes with chalk! Make minor adjustments to last year's costume to change it up. You could even rent a costume.

Planning to paint your face? It might be worth checking the ingredients as face paints can contain toxic ingredients, which can cause skin irritation and allergies for both children and adults. Plus, if you have any lurking in the

cupboard from last year, it might be safer to throw them away. Search out more eco-friendly alternatives.

If you are having a party, why not go for making your own decorations, serve up your own cakes and iced biscuits on re-useable plates/dishes and drinks in multi-use cups. It is worth remembering that plastic cutlery cannot be recycled kerbside and can only be binned. Avoid plastic-wrapped sweets which just create more waste and perhaps visit the local sweet shop.

How are we helping the planet and ourselves by doing these things? We are making a contribution to the saving of about 2,000 tonnes of plastic waste from costumes alone, which is normally thrown away at Halloween. Not to mention additional waste from food packaging, party decorations, balloons, sweet wrappings, cheap one-off toys, disposable cutlery and crockery.

What a scary amount of waste! Can you resist the plastic spell this Halloween?!

(sources: including theecologist.org, fairylandtrust.org, healthykids.org)

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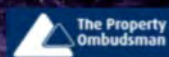
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VOLUNTEERING

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For more information please contact the Volunteering Team via volunteering@hospiscare.co.uk. Alternatively, visit jobs.hospiscare.co.uk and click on 'Volunteer Vacancies' for our current opportunities. You can also pop into your local Hospiscare shop and ask for an application form.

Ali McGeown

HALLOWEEN POEMS

SKELETON PARADE

The skeletons are out tonight,
They march about the street,
with body bodies, bony heads
and bony hands and feet
Bony bony bony bones
with nothing in between,
Up and down and all around
they march on Halloween.

WITCH, WITCH

Witch, witch where do you fly?
Under the clouds and over the sky.
Witch,witch what do you eat?
Little black apples from Hurricane Street.
Witch, witch what to you drink?
Vinegar and good red ink.
Witch, Witch where do you sleep?
Up in the clouds where the pillows are cheap.

IT'S HALLOWEEN

It's Halloween! It's Halloween
The moon is full and bright
And we shall see what can't be seen
on any other night:
Skeletons and ghosts and ghouls,
Grinning goblins fighting duels,
Werewolves rising from their tombs
And witches on their magic brooms.

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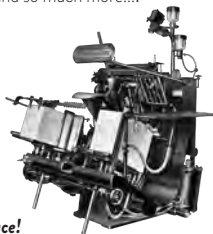
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Monday	early	Your house	Recycling collections
	2.00 - 4.00 pm	Village Hall	Country Dancing
Tuesday	10.00 - noon	The Beacon	The Post Office
Wednesday	9.30 am	The Beacon	Toddlers and Tinies (Term time only)
	10.00 - noon	St Giles' Church	Mums and Babies Support Group
	2.00 - 4.00 pm	Village Hall	Short Mat Bowls
Thursday	7.00 pm	The Beacon	Alpha Course
Friday	10.00 - noon	St Giles' Church	Coffee and a warm welcome

DATES FOR OCTOBER 2022

Sun	2nd	11.00 am	Yarcombe Church	Mission Community Holy Communion with Harvest Festival
Mon	3rd	7.30 pm	The Beacon	Parenting Course (<i>this is a 6 week course</i>)
Tues	4th	10.30 am	The Beacon	Messy Sparklers
	4th	9.30 am	St Giles' Church	Said Communion
Sat	8th	3.00 pm	St Giles' Church	Celebrate Service
Sun	9th	11.00 am	St Giles' Church	Harvest Festival
	9th	1.00 pm	Village Hall	Harvest Festival Lunch
Mon	10th	Early	Your House	Landfill with recycling
	10th	7.30 pm	Village Hall	Parish Council Meeting
Tues	11th	Early	Your House	Garden Waste Collection
	11th	10.00 am	The Beacon	CREATE Group
Wed	12th	7.15 pm	Village Hall	KCC: <i>The Good Liar</i>
Thurs	13th	2.00 pm	Village Hall	KCC: <i>The Good Liar</i>
Fri	14th	7.30 pm	Village Hall	KGC Talk: <i>New Tricks for Old Gardeners - Kathy Crouch</i>
Sat	15th	8.00 am	The Beacon	Men's Breakfast
Sun	16th	9.30 am	St Giles' Church	Holy Communion
	16th	10.30 am	The Beacon	Harvest Service - <i>Donations to Tear Fund: Produce to the Axminster Food Bank</i>
Tues	18th	9.30 am	St Giles' Church	Said Communion with Rev Nigel Freathy
	18th	12.30 pm	The Beacon	Community Contact Lunch
Fri	21st	7.00 pm	Pavilion	Royal British Legion AGM
Sat	22nd	10.00 am	St Giles' Church	ECO Fayre and Litter Pick (<i>see page 8 for more information</i>)
Sun	23rd	9.30 am	St Giles' Church	Service of the Word with Gill Heighway
Tues	25th	Early	Your House	Garden Waste Collection
Sat	29th	10.30 am	Woodend Deer Park, Shute	Autumn Ramble
	29th	1.30 pm	Breach and Betty's Ground	Open Gardens for Hospiscare
Sun	30th	Early		British Summer Time Ends
	30th	11.00 am	Dalwood Church	Mission Community Holy Communion - All Saints Day
	30th	1.30 pm	Breach and Betty's Ground	Open Gardens for Hospiscare
	30th	6.00 pm	Village Hall	Film and Supper Evening - <i>Elvis</i>
Mon	31st	Early	Your House	Landfill with recycling£

DONATIONS, PAYMENT FOR ADVERTISING SPACE AND ARTICLES/NOTICES FOR POSTSCRIPT (i.e. THOSE NOT SENT BY EMAIL)

It has been necessary to set up alternative arrangements following the closure of the village shop.

DIRECTIONS FOR FINDING Vicky Larcombe's house. Vicky is treasurer for Postscript.

From Whitford Road 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.

Please post payments for advertising in Postscript and donations to help with printing costs
through the front door of Vicky Larcombe's house. Thank you.

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

VILLAGE NUMBERS

Bell-ringing - Celia Dunsford	01297 33563	KGC - Bev Perkins, Secretary	01297 631801	RBL - Jean Falconer - Sec Stafford Seward - Chairman	01297 33708 01297 33909
Bridge Club - Eric Samways - Gill Bullock	01297 24260 01297 647768	Kilminster Community Cinema - John Watts	01297 639758	Short Mat Bowls - Edith Turner	01297 34090
Country Dancing - Gill Perkins - Marie Thorne	01297 32888 01297 631194	Kilminster's Little Helpers - Sally Huscroft	01297 32243	Table Tennis - Jenny Nickolls	01297 639758
Cricket - David Lavender	01297 631868	Kilminster Pre-School - Now part of primary school	01297 32762	Telephone Box Library - Karen Hodder	01297 35162
Footpath co-ordinator - Elaine Penzer	01297 34287	Kilminster Primary School	01297 32762	Tennis - Bev Bailey Sue Wells	07577 488656 07912 272102
Hitchcock Pavilion bookings - Peter Huscroft	01297 32243	Millers Farm Shop	01297 35290	Village Hall bookings - Louise Quincey	01297 32358
Kilminster A35 Pit Stop	01297 598060	The New Inn	01297 33376	Village Hall 100+ Club - Jean Falconer	01297 33708
Kilminster Cross Services	01297 631089	The Old Inn	01297 441855	www.kilminstervillage.com - Luke & Maxine Lawson	07719 909532

MEDICAL AND SUPPORT

Axminster Hospital	01297 630400	'Devon Doctors on call' (Out of hours GP service)	0845 6710270	Veterinary Surgery	01297 630500
St Thomas Court Surgery	01297 32126	Dentist Helpline	03330 063300		

SERVICES AND FACILITIES

Refuse Collection	01395 571515	Axminster Library	01297 32693	Clerk to the Parish Council	07800 826657
Water - general - leaks	0344 346 2020 0800 230 0561	Mobile Library	01404 42818	E. Devon District Councillor - Iain Chubb	01297 35468
Electricity - emergency	0800 365 900	Ring & Ride	01404 46520	Devon County Council, Whimble and Blackdown, Iain Chubb	07932 459595
		Axminster Care Service	01297 35550		

Police: Crime stoppers - 0800 555111; Emergency - 999; General - 101

CHURCHES

St Giles' Church Rev Julie Lomas	01297 35004	Baptist Church Office Pastor Mike Hudson	01297 631638	Axminster Catholic Church Parish Priest: Father Anthony Cockram	01297 32135
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ADVERTISING IN POSTSCRIPT

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	Black and white ads	Colour ads
Credit card (70 mm x 40 mm)	£ 5 or £22.50 for 5 months	
¼ page (90 wide x 136 mm high - Portrait)	£12 for one-off or £50 for 5 months	£15 for one-off or £75 for 5 months
½ page (184 x 136 or 90 x 276 mm)	£20 or £90 for 5 months	£30 for one-off
Full page (184 x 276 mm)	£30 or £130 for 5 months	£40 for one-off

If the advertisement could be sent as a jpeg it is a great help when sizing for publication.

BACK COVER: *Occasionally the back cover is available for a one-off colour page advertisement. Cost: £50*

Additional fee of £1 if Postscript has to edit, size or set copy.

PAYMENT: Cheques should be made payable to: Kilminster Postscript and posted to: **Mrs V. Larcombe, Brookside, The Street, Kilminster, EX13 7RJ.** BACS account name is **Kilminster Postscript**, sort code: **51.61.23**, account no: **18159400**

COMING AND GOING FOR A SONG: There is no charge for these entries for items valued up to £20 or less. However, donations are appreciated - these can be popped through Vicky Larcombe's door (please see directions on page 22).

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