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POSTscript

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This is our bubble!

EDITORIAL

Have you heard about the jaguarundi? Nor had I. This cat native to the Americas, but not always welcome there, is high on the must-see list at Axe Valley Wildlife Park, which has sent us an article saying it has just reopened. The lockdown rules in many places are gradually, tentatively easing but progress may be slow and could be reversed at short notice. However, this month's Postscript illustrates changes already made and carries news of plans and arrangements still being considered. Reopening the Village Hall and churches and re-starting various clubs and activities is not straightforward. It is far from a return to normal. There are regulations to be followed, but with ingenuity, masks, distancing and the ubiquitous handgel, ways are being found to make it possible.

One of the difficulties has been for gatherings which involve people from too many different bubbles. The Beacon streams services online to a congregation viewing at home; the Parish Council and the Five Alive Mission Community have zoomed and half of the Postscript team met, well apart, in a large open-sided tractor shed on a rainy morning. More progress is announced this month, with information about a Beacon service in the car park, about the Village Hall opening in October and then a Gardening Club meeting if all is well. There will be church bells again and you can find out how to detect whether they are being rung by one ringer or three – not as obvious as you might expect.

This month Martin Huscroft looks at one of the moments in the Cricket Club's history, which appears even more glorious now, since nobody knew then how celebrated one of the cricketers would become. Names have reached us for the young footballers in July's photo. David Wilsdon updates us on the largely unseen world of moths here in Kilminster. Ruth Worsley, from the Legacy to Landscape project based on the Shute area, writes about ongoing attempts to increase the spread of the rare Heath Lobelia (Kilminster lily). Lesley Rew writes about her garden's hedgehog population. David Ingles completes his series of WWII articles and Peter has supplied a topical quiz.

One of Postscript's aims, listed on the village website, is to 'provide parishioners with an opportunity to write about topics that may be of interest to the village'. This summer it is partly thanks to your articles, information, photos and amusing snippets that we could produce a magazine at all since so many regular items were missing. As lockdown eases further we hope to have some of the usual announcements and reports back again but please don't stop. Your contributions are greatly appreciated and we welcome new writers.

Janfryd

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WHO'S WHO? – A TOPICAL QUIZ

It can be difficult trying to recognise people in masks, so we thought you'd like a little practice.

Can you put a name to the face behind the mask?

Sun hats and sunglasses won't make your job any easier and you'll probably notice that not all are Kilmington residents.

Answers on page 11



KILMINGTON SKY AT NIGHT

Throughout September you can see Venus and Mars in the morning, whilst Jupiter and Saturn adorn the evening skies. The moon is the second-brightest celestial object, after the sun; Jupiter ranks as the fourth-brightest, after the planet Venus. With Venus gone from the evening sky, there's no way to mistake Venus for Jupiter in September. Jupiter is simply the brightest star like object visible. Mars is known as the red planet and its colour gives it away.

2nd Full Corn Moon

4th to 6th Mars, the red planet and the waning gibbous moon rise into your eastern sky a few to several hours after sunset. Once they're up, these two worlds will be out for rest of the night.

13th to 15th Venus, the dazzling planet, close to the waning crescent moon in the eastern predawn/dawn sky.

16th The Andromeda Galaxy can be seen these next few dark nights, as the moon is waning and gone from the early evening sky. It will be visible until spring. First look to the north east for the constellation Cassiopeia, which is a very noticeable five star W-shaped pattern on the sky's



dome. Draw a line down from the brightest star at the bottom of the W. Follow the line down and the galaxy appears as a faint fuzzy patch, a little bigger than a full moon. The Andromeda Galaxy is 2.2 million light-years away, with a single light-year being almost ten trillion kilometres or six trillion miles.

21st Tonight the sun will set at around its fastest for the year; That is, the time it

takes for the body of the sun to sink below the western horizon. The fastest sunsets (and sunrises) occur at or near the equinoxes. And the slowest sunsets (and sunrises) occur at or near the solstices.

22nd The autumnal equinox for the Northern Hemisphere is at 14:31. At this moment – the sun is at *zenith*, or directly overhead the Earth's equator. On the day of the equinox, the sun pretty much rises due east and sets due west.

23rd to 26th The moon passes by Jupiter and Saturn. Jupiter is the brighter of the two by far. If you have a telescope it's a good opportunity to look for Saturn's rings and the four moons of Jupiter.

1st October Full Harvest Moon with Mars close by.

Peter

ST GILES CHURCH BARROW

Last year we visited friends in Bednall, Shropshire and their church has a barrow outside the church to raise funds for the church. Robert has very kindly made a barrow. Thank you so much to him for making it, Mike Tyler who has helped with wood and Eileen Birch who painted the sign. The picture is of the barrow in the making and the barrow at Bednall.

People can bring anything that will sell, and buy for donations, no clothes! There will be a cash box which will be emptied each day. On a Friday there will be cakes and I have had several offers from people to make some. It's worth trying and let's see how it goes!

Please spread the word.

Anna Crabbe



FIVE ALIVE OIL SYNDICATE

The September deadline date for submitting oil orders falls on Thursday 24th. I would ask that members either submit requests for a specific amount or if ordering a 'top up', a full tank, then please submit as accurate an estimate as possible with a minimum order of 500 litres in all cases.

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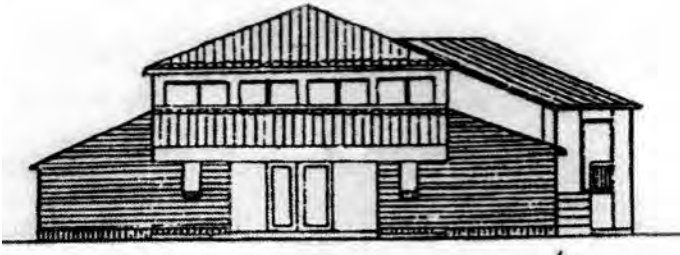
The Parish Council has offered much valuable local support by providing information and organising volunteers to help collect food supplies and medication for vulnerable residents as well as collecting garden waste for several weeks. Thanks are especially due to Stafford Seward, Peter Ball and Sally Huscroft for all their hard work.



MOBILE LIBRARY

Tuesday, 8th September at 11.20 - 11.50 am at the junction of The Street and The Hill.

GOOD NEWS



... Kilmington Village Hall will re-open in the autumn. With the easing of government restrictions during July and early August I am delighted to report that the VH committee is planning to re-open the hall in October. We must be guided by Government Regulations for community buildings and new safety guidelines will be in place. We are aware these Regulations are subject to change but, as I write this in mid-August, it looks as if a limited re-opening in early October may be possible. If the Regulations change, we will of course need to alter our plans.

Over the past month we have been in touch with clubs and organisations who use the hall regularly and there is a range of responses. Some clubs/organisations are choosing to not re-start their activities until the new year but others are keen to begin again as soon as possible. From the viewpoint of the hall management committee it is of prime importance that we keep everyone safe and healthy – those using the hall, our cleaner and the members of the hall committee.

Initially, the re-opening will be limited to regular user groups. In due course a copy of our **Special Conditions of Hire during COVID-19** will be given to the representative

of each user group together with other documents the committee is required to produce. These conditions are in addition to, not a replacement for, the hall's ordinary conditions of hire. There will be paperwork that needs to be completed and agreed prior to your use of the hall but rest assured we will guide you through this process. We apologise if all this sounds overly prescriptive and draconian but it is what we are required to do if we are to re-open.

By the time the hall re-opens it will be Covid19-Secure, sanitised, extra specially clean, with hand sanitisers at vital points. There will be social distancing requirements in place, and restrictions on numbers in the main hall and Cudmore room. Some organisations may opt to introduce a booking system for their sessions. Some areas will be taped off for the time-being and unfortunately there will be no access to the kitchen to make refreshments.

We are anxious that our users feel confident in the arrangements we have made. We want to see the hall back in use, with groups able to enjoy badminton, table tennis, talks and of course, eventually, social events like coffee mornings. It would be great if some of you would like to put forward ideas for, and organise, events in the hall which would provide occasions to socialise safely and offer entertainment and fun. Ideas to Louise (bookings secretary) or Judith (chair) please.

We look forward to seeing our much-used and much-loved village hall being used again.

Judith, chairperson
on behalf of the Village Hall Management Committee

A SENIOR'S VERSION OF FACEBOOK

For those of my generation who do not, and cannot, comprehend why Facebook exists: I am trying to make friends outside of Facebook while applying the same principles. Therefore, every day I walk down the street and tell passers-by what I have eaten, how I feel at the moment, what I have done the night before, what I will do later and with whom. I give them pictures of my family, my dog and of me gardening, taking things apart in the garage, watering the lawn standing in front of landmarks, driving around town, having lunch and doing what anybody and everybody does every day. I also listen to the their conversations, give them 'thumbs up' and tell them I 'like' them.

And it works just like Facebook. I already have four people following me: two police officers, a private investigator and a psychiatrist.

Sent in by Klaus Wagner

ROOTS

Postscript has received a request from Antony White, who now lives in Yateley, Hants. His paternal grandfather was born in Honiton and before that the Whites lived in Kilmington and the surrounding area. His great grandparents (surname Gosling) lived at Vealhayses.

He is compiling a family tree and wonders whether there are still any relatives in Kilmington now who might help him add to it. Related names are White, Gosling, Phippen, French, Trevett, Goss, Hayward, Palmer, Woodman, Pound and Chown, going back five generations, and he is hoping he might find old pictures and information.

The Antony White family tree is public on Ancestry.co.uk and his email is Antony.white@hotmail.co.uk

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NEW WAYS OF BEING CHURCH

As we navigate our way through the nuanced messages of easing the lockdown, some of us are thinking ahead to how church services may look in the future. The enforced lockdown has given us time to think about what's truly important in our lives and what's mere fluff around the edges. Like many, I went from a full diary to an empty one in the space of a few hours! As I don't wish to go back to an overloaded one, I'm trying to work out what I must do in the future, what I'd like to do and what I don't really need to do. For someone with my personality type that's not easy – I think everything is important and I don't like to disappoint or upset anyone!

Resurrecting services in our churches may well follow the same pattern. What's really important for our church family as we ease our way back into our communities and church buildings? Many people have become more used to accessing services online and will have had a lot of choice at their fingertips. The Beacon Baptist church has done a fantastic job in keeping us all going during the lockdown and I hope their services continue to be live streamed in the future. I've really enjoyed being part of the Baptist family (an unforeseen positive to the situation). Thank you to everyone involved in the services, they're much appreciated by many!

However, we mustn't leave anyone behind as we seek to find new ways of being church. This will mean fewer services, particularly in our Five Alive Mission Community, as we're lacking a vicar and are unable to ask for help from our retired clergy at present. We have excellent Lay Teams and Churchwardens but they, Anna and I can't maintain a service in each of our five churches each week. Consequently, the use of technology to record, live stream or Zoom services in the Five Alive Mission Community will become more important.

Things have changed! We can't just pick up where we were forced to stop back in March and carry on as though nothing has happened. We must be aware of our limitations when organising church rotas in the future. We need to be able to glimpse what we're being asked to do for our churches going forward and not to just look to the past and say 'that was okay, let's just keep on with more of the same.' Let's reject the notion that change be looked upon with suspicion; instead, we should be looking at how we can do things just as effectively but in a new way, to open ourselves up to new opportunities and challenges, both in the world and in our church.

Here's to new ways of being church.

Gill Heighway

CAR PARK PRAISE

"We're doing something we've never done before" must be the cry of the Pandemic. But we find ourselves saying it again. Having got to grips live streaming services every Sunday since March with the Baptists and Anglicans worshipping together, and Zoom Coffee Times on many Sundays, we followed that in August with pre-recorded services, and now at 10.30 am on every Sunday in September we will have 'Car Park Praise'.

This is not a time when we go all sentimental and gushy about Morris Minors, Lamborghinis or Land Rovers, but a time when a crowd gathers open air in the car park at The Beacon for vibrant and exciting Sunday mornings. Led by Darrell and Mike, there will be an engaging mix of stories,

prayers, songs and preaching, this will be suitable for people of all ages. There will be no need for folk to wear masks, but there will be seating for anyone who wants to join us, and those who want to sing along can park up as directed in their cars and sing to their hearts content!

"We're doing something we've never done before", but it is all rather exciting. We hope that any locals will feel able to join us, and not feel it is just for "the Baptists or the Anglicans". And if it rains? Well we'll either get wet or do something else we've never done before... have an 'Umbrella Car Park Praise!'

Darrell Holmes

OUR CHURCHES SLOW EMERGENCE FROM LOCKDOWN

Five Alive Mission Community are pleased to announce that there will be two services in September in our Mission Community:

- Sunday, 6th September: 6.00 pm: St Giles', Kilmington, Patronal Said Evensong
- Sunday, 13th September: 11.00 am: Harvest Festival Service at the White's Farm, Lower Lane, Dalwood. The service will be conducted by Archdeacon Andrew. All are welcome and those who wish to stay afterwards are invited to a socially distanced, bring-your-own picnic which, depending on the weather, can be held inside or outside the barn. .

We're very excited to have been given permission to organise these two services so please put these dates in your diaries. Of course, precautions will be in place and there will be strict measures for social distancing.

We look forward to seeing you at one or both events.

Gill Heighway and Anna Crabbe

WHEN WILL WE HEAR THE BELLS AGAIN?

This is a question I have been asked recently and with the first service in St Giles' since March being a Mission Community Evensong service on September 6th, we very much hope that it will be possible to ring again soon.

However, things won't be quite as they were. Firstly, we hope that following a Risk Assessment and Tower/Belfry Check to ensure everything is in order, the Church will allow the bells to be rung. Initially, we will only be able to ring three non-adjacent bells, due to the two metre ruling, for a maximum of fifteen minutes for services only.

Ringers will only ring if they feel it is safe for them to do so – if insufficient ringers are available you may actually hear six bells, as we are fortunate to have an Ellacombe Chiming system which enables one person to chime all the bells. However, 'chimed' bells do not sound as loud as 'rung' bells and therefore the sound doesn't carry as far around the village.

We look forward to ringing the bells again in the near future and hope you enjoy hearing them.

Celia Dunsford on behalf of the Kilmington Bellringers

CELEBRATIONS

The last few months have brought about so many changes in the way we live our lives, many of them have been hard to get used to and sadly may remain with us for some time. Mostly we have adapted to cope with these changes but loneliness for many has brought about physical and mental problems which have made life extremely tough.

However, despite all this we all enjoy celebrating something, whether it be just an ordinary birthday, or an anniversary of a special event. Many people I have spoken to have really enjoyed their birthdays this year, receiving more cards, phone calls and emails than ever before. Friends and family made sure that the day was memorable, in spite of being separated from them.

Weddings are planned way in advance these days, and alas many have been postponed but those that have taken place did so in a quiet meaningful way, with a few family or friends present. Most weddings are regarded as an excuse for a big party and the religious significance is lost in the extravagance of the day. Perhaps it is a separation of the two events that could be for the better, who knows? These last few months have changed our lives and what we view as being important. There is always time for a party when the time is right.

Celebrations that have been severely curtailed are those of the lives our loved ones who have died during this terrible

crisis. The very harsh restrictions have meant that only a few mourners were able to attend any funeral service and of course there was no gathering afterwards. Showing love and respect for a family member, a friend or a neighbour who has played a part in our lives and who is no longer with us, is a vital part of the grieving process for the whole community.

There have been several instances in the village recently where people came out of their homes to line the route of the cortege from the home of the deceased to the church or out of the village on its way to a service elsewhere, or gathered in a socially distanced manner at a discreet distance close by.

A community needs to celebrate the lives of people whom they are proud to have known and this was the only way they could do it. I refer especially to Elizabeth Foster, Pat Foster and Betty Richards, all of whom will be greatly missed. I was very moved on every occasion and am glad that in the company of so many others, I was able to show my appreciation for who they were and what they had meant to the community.

It felt right to be celebrating in this different way in these strange times.

Diana Mellows



Welcome back to Axe Valley Wildlife Park!!

We are so delighted to be able to see you all in the park once again. Your support and comments have been truly heart felt and warming to us at what are such strange times.

We would also like to say a huge thank you to all of our supporters and followers. We are truly humbled by the support we have had to help towards the future of the park. Donations through the 'go fund me' page and the Amazon Wish List are amazing. The donations of fruit and vegetables continues to be such a great support to us here at the park. Although we are now open we had to remain closed for quite some time so every donation counts and we cannot thank each and every one of you enough for that. We are so grateful for future donations of this and welcome any fruit and vegetables you can offer. Donations can be left in bin in the entrance of the park.

We would also like to thank everyone for your comments, likes and shares to our Facebook page. Just seeing your comments helped us keep going during such uncertain times.

Here at the park we have been working incredibly hard to reopen in order to comply with government guidelines and, although things are very different for all of us right now, days at the park are a little different with social distancing in place. So what can you expect from your day here at Axe Valley Wildlife Park? The same passionate caring team that wish to educate the public and to share the animals that we have available for viewing with you. We have an online booking system in place so don't forget to reserve your tickets on the day you wish to visit.

We have extended our picnic areas to provide you with more areas to sit and enjoy our animals and play parks. Why not grab a takeaway drink, ice cream or a slice of cake with many on offer. We have a one way system in place with clearly marked areas to help you navigate around the park and plenty of hand sanitizer and hand washing stations distributed throughout the park.



In other news, spring definitely came to Axe valley Wildlife Park with many young being produced throughout the park including Leopard Cat kittens and a stork.

We are also pleased to announce the birth of a female Jaguarundi (see below). The Jaguarundi is a wild cat native to the Americas. It is a medium sized cat of slender build occupying dry scrub, swamp and savannah woodland. These cats are the most adaptable and they occupy different environments. Threatened by habitat destruction and by farmers these cats are often seen as a nuisance.



It is thought that the last time the Jaguarundi was seen in Texas was in 1986 with the growth of farming and human settlement.

An amazing fact about these cats is that they can jump as high as 6.5 feet in the air to catch a bird in flight, however they spend most of the time on the ground climbing trees to rest.

Stay safe.

Catherine Fletcher
Education Officer

Car Park Praise

Come and join our open-air services
at The Beacon, Kilminster, EX13 7RF

Every Sunday in September at 10.30am
(weather permitting)

We'll provide a seat,
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or follow us on [Youtube](#) / Facebook Livestream!

*Everyone is welcome as we share
in songs, prayers, and a bible message
that speaks into our everyday lives*

To book a place

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or just turn up with family and friends!

NATURE NOTES

HEDGEHOGS IN MY GARDEN

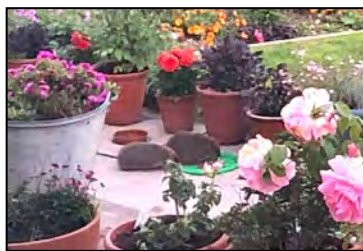
We moved into Kilminster eleven years ago, the garden was very overgrown but as it was January we didn't venture out to attack it until later in spring. It was then we discovered we had hedgehogs, a mum and four babies. Fast forward to the present and we now have around nine hedgehogs either residing in our garden or popping in for their supper. A laurel hedge down one side of the garden and a wooden fence on the other with several holes in it, allow the hogs to easily pass through. Looking at the reports of the number of sightings posted on the Kilminster Now Facebook page we've got a healthy population throughout our village. However, as they can travel over a mile a night looking for food, it's difficult to know how many there really are out there.



Feeding on the lawn

Having these nightly visitors made me look at how I garden and its impact on wildlife. Our garden is cottage style with a very wild overgrown area at the bottom which, by all accounts, is ideal as the hogs can move around undetected under plants. We replaced nylon

netting with metal mesh as hogs have a habit of getting caught up in the nylon which can lead to some nasty injuries. And drains are now covered as they can fall into them! Most importantly I've not used pesticides, rat poison or slug pellets for several years now. I was therefore really upset recently when I found one of 'our' babies staggering around the lawn during the daylight - he had been poisoned. We rushed him to The Hedgehog Hut rescue and it was touch and go if he would make it but, after three weeks in intensive care, he recovered and we released him back into our garden. We named him Rocky as he was such a fighter! My slug control is now the hogs and my dahlias and hostas are looking great, no signs of any slug damage!



Slug control around the dahlias

This year Peter made six nesting boxes for the hedgehogs, they are dotted around the garden under the shrubs, out of direct sunlight. We have rehomed several youngsters from the rescue and, using a WebCam, we are delighted to see that five of the boxes are now in use. Outside each one of them is a shallow water bowl and every evening I put food out onto two little trays and then sprinkle more over the lawn. Years ago people would put out bread and milk as feed but research has shown that this is not good for hedgehogs. Water and either wet or dry cat food is now recommended. I use Tesco Kitten Complete dry food, and they certainly seem to like it. Lying in bed at night with the windows open you can hear them out there crunching their way through it! And one of the large males will run and push the others that are feeding away so



The Hedgehog Hut Rescue

he doesn't miss out. I didn't realise they could be so aggressive.

It's great to have so many hedgehogs in Kilminster as they are now officially classified as vulnerable to extinction. They have very few predators, badgers being the main one, and we're lucky as we don't have any badgers at this end of the village.

Dogs can trouble them, sometimes knocking them around with their paws. So, if you have a dog and you let it out in the garden at night, perhaps keep an eye on it, particularly if it starts fussing around something. As you can probably tell, I've now got a soft spot for these little guys and they give me hours of pleasure watching their antics in our garden. Having made contact with The Hedgehog Hut, who were so helpful, I have volunteered to help them. They are so busy trying to help sick and injured hogs and, as we move into autumn, there will be late litters that need fattening up before winter.



Rocky in rehab

You've probably got hedgehogs visiting your gardens at night too, so keep an eye out for them. They can be very amusing to watch.

Lesley



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We conclude our series on the three Kilmingtong men who died in action during WWII with the story of Richard Wilkinson. There are many similarities between Richard's story and that of Arthur Trott that featured in the July edition of Postscript: they were both the elder son in their families and had younger brothers; they both showed academic prowess; they both volunteered for service in Bomber Command in WWII; they were both navigators; and they both lost their lives at the tender age of 21, when their aircraft were shot down over Holland, Arthur in June 1943 and Richard in July 1944.

In contrast with both Norman Lockwood (see Postscript 222) and Arthur Trott (see Postscript 225), whose families were, and remain, well established in Kilmingtong and who have relatives still living in the village, the Wilkinson family only came to Kilmingtong in the early 1930s, and neither of the two boys, Richard and Leslie, married or had children. We have relatively little solid information about the family's background before they came to Kilmingtong, and much of what follows is based on snippets of information, much of it gleaned by Chris Bolton. The boys' parents were John William and Annie Martha Wilkinson (nee Boshier), born in 1886 and 1887 respectively. John would have been 28 when WWI broke out and almost certainly served in the war. He may have been injured during his service, for his occupation listed in the 1939 Register was "gardener disabled". John and Annie were married at Wantage in 1921 and the two boys were born in Hampshire, near Hartley Wintney, Richard John Wilkinson on 14th June 1923 and Robert Leslie Wilkinson (always known as Leslie or Les) two years later on 6th June 1925. The two boys entered Kilmingtong School on 5th April 1932, and we assume this to be the date at which the family moved to the village. The boys were then aged eight and six.

We know that the family lived at Linfield (now Lindfield) on The Hill in a semi-detached cottage. The cottage, while owned until her death in 1935 by Olive Cloud, was subject to a tenancy agreement of 1932 to Kate Sarge. Kate was the second wife of Robert Sarge, who lived at Bywood for about

15 years from 1927, before selling the property to Mrs Lilian Cornish-Browne in 1942. It seems probable that the Wilkinson family moved to Kilmingtong so that John could take up the position of gardener at Bywood. There is a further link between the Wilkinson family and Bywood that comes from an unusual source. The Taunton Courier and Western Advertiser ran a Young People's Column and, on 17th January 1934, they published this poem "A Strange Hospital", sent in by Richard Wilkinson, aged 10, from Bywood, Kilmingtong.

There's a hospital fine in Absurdity Square,
Where the queerest of patients are tended with care;
When I paid them a visit I saw in a crib
A little umbrella who had broken his rib.
And then I observed in the very next bed
A bright little pin who had bumped his poor head.
They said a new cure they'd decided to try
On an old needle, totally blind in one eye.
I was much interested, and soon I espied
A shoe who complained of a stitch in her side.
And a sad-looking patient, who seemed in the dumps,
Was a clock with a swelled face, because of the mumps.
Then I tried very hard, although twas in vain,
To comfort a window who had a bad pain.
I paused for a moment to cheerily speak
To a pale cup of tea who was awfully weak.
As I took my departure I met on the stair
A new patient being handled with very great care;
It was a victim, perhaps of some terrible wreck –
A bottle that had badly broken his neck.

It should be no surprise that Richard won a place at Colyton Grammar School; he was clearly a bright boy. In 1935, he was awarded the Form 1 prizes for history and geography; and he liked acting, taking part in their production of 'Toad of Toad Hall'. Richard was 16 when war broke out in September 1939. His parents, along with brother Leslie, are listed as living at Linfield on 29th September 1939 in the National Register that was taken of all those living in England and Wales at that time. Richard's name is not there.



The Full Squadron, May 1944

By the time that we catch up with his life, Richard is Flight Sgt Richard Wilkinson, RAFVR 1585068, a navigator serving on Lancaster bombers with 75 (NZ) Squadron of Bomber Command, based at Mepal Airfield, six miles west of Ely in Cambridgeshire. The New Zealand Squadron was renamed 75 (NZ) Squadron in 1940. While the squadron contained many New Zealanders, it was equipped and controlled by the RAF and many English airmen, like Richard, were posted to it. This squadron was in the thick of the action: it flew more sorties than any other Allied bomber squadron, it suffered the second highest number of casualties, and it dropped the second highest weight of bombs of any Allied squadron.

Richard Wilkinson was posted to 75 (NZ) Squadron in May 1944. It had been flying Lancaster Mark III bombers since March 1944, and losses were generally light. Richard had flown twenty missions with pilot Edward Howell, a New Zealander, before the fateful night of 20th /21st July 1944, when Richard and the other six crew members perished. Their aircraft was one of 26 taking part in a raid on the oil



Avro Lancaster

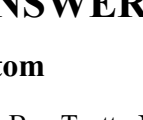
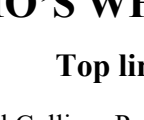
refinery at Homberg, about 160 miles into Germany from the Dutch border. The raid was successful, but seven of the 26 aircraft did not return. Richard's aircraft was brought down by a night fighter at approx. 01:00 hrs over Weert in the south of Holland, about 90 minutes into the raid. All of the crew who died on 21st July, plus a further five from another aircraft taking part in the raid, are buried in the Jonkerbos War Cemetery in Nijmegen. This cemetery contains the graves of 1,629 Commonwealth men, 99 of whom are unidentified, plus 13 war graves of other nationalities. The personal inscription on Richard's headstone reads "Into the sunshine of God's love".



Jonkerbos War Cemetery,
Nijmegen

Richard's parents continued to live at Linfield until their deaths: John William died in 1960, following which Annie Martha was supported by her son Leslie, who never married. When Annie died in 1982, at the age of 95, Leslie stayed on at Linfield until his death in 1991. He is best remembered as a member of Kilmingtong Cricket Club, for whom he was a devilish spin bowler for many years.

David Ingles



WHO'S WHO? ANSWERS

Top line to bottom

Darrell Holmes: Jill Collier: Postie Chris: Ben Trott: Nicola Sturgeon
Mike Collier: Her Majesty The Queen: Anna Crabbe: Sally Huscroft: Boris Johnson
Mick Jagger: Robert Crabbe: Gill Heighway: Peter Ball: Angus Bonetta
Stafford Seward: Prince William: Malcolm Miller: Jean Falconer

KILMINGTON MOTH UPDATE – AUGUST / SEPTEMBER 2020

Moths recorded in Kilmington between 06-12-2019 and 10-07-2020 included the following species



Common Footman
Eilema lurideola



Common Quaker
Orthosia cerasi



Puss Moth
Cerura vinula



(A micro moth)
Pyrausta nivalis



Early Grey
Xylocampa areola



Lackey
Malacosoma neustria



Dark-barred Twin-spot Carpet
Xanthorhoe ferrugata



Smoky Wainscot
Mythimna impura



Middle-barred Minor
Oligia fasciuncula



Mullein Moth
Cucullia verbasci



Double-striped Pug
Gymnoscelis rufifasciata



Light Arches
Apamea lithoxyla

David Wilsdon

This is a very easy soup to make and requires little time and effort. I like to serve it sprinkled with toasted sunflower seeds with plenty of warm crusty bread and butter.

ROASTED BUTTERNUT SQUASH SOUP

Serves 2-3

600g/24oz (1 medium) butternut squash
40g/1½oz butter
200g/8oz potatoes, peeled and diced
800ml/28fzoz stock, vegetable or chicken



50ml/2fzoz single cream
Salt and pepper
To serve – 2 tbs toasted sunflower seeds

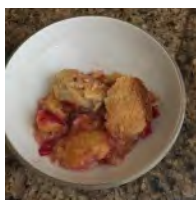
Method

1. Cut the butternut squash in half and scoop out the seeds. Place the butternut squash on a baking tray and dot with half of the butter. Cook in a preheated oven, 170C, for approx. 45 minutes or until the flesh is soft.
2. Melt the remaining butter in a pan, add the potatoes and stock and simmer for approx. 20 minutes until the potatoes are soft.
3. Once the butternut squash is cooked allow to cool for 5 minutes and then scoop out all the flesh and add to a liquidiser/food blender along with the potatoes and stock.
4. Return to the pan with the cream and season and heat to serve.
5. Garnish with the sunflower seeds if using.

When I was growing up, we always had home-made puddings, especially of the nursery variety. Unfortunately, a good pudding is still my downfall. This year our plum trees have produced a record amount of plums so here is one of my favourite ways of using them. I do prefer Victoria plums but any type works equally well. I serve with thick double cream, but ice cream or custard is also a good accompaniment.

PLUM COBBLER

900g/36oz plums, destoned and halved
275g/11oz plain flour
150g/6oz golden caster sugar plus 2 tbs for sweetening the plums
150g/6oz cold butter
½ tsp ground cinnamon
1 tbs baking powder
2 tbs Demerara sugar
2 tbs flaked almonds optional



Method

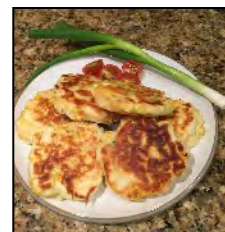
1. Put the prepared plums in a heatproof dish and sprinkle over the 2 tbsps of sugar.
2. Place the flour, caster sugar, butter, cinnamon and the baking powder along with the egg and milk in a food processor and mix together to form a sticky dough.
3. Dollop spoonfuls of the mixture randomly over the fruit.
4. Sprinkle with the Demerara sugar and flaked almonds if using. Cook at 180C for 40-45 minutes.

These fritters make a simple lunch or supper dish and are ideal to make now whilst the fresh sweetcorn is plentiful.

SWEETCORN FRITTERS WITH TOMATO SALSA

Makes 8 fritters

100g/4oz self-raising flour
1 large egg
3 tbsps soured cream
2 tbsps milk
2 sweet corn cobs, kernels removed with a sharp knife
3 spring onions, sliced
2 tbsps grated Parmesan cheese
Salt and pepper



Salsa

1 avocado, chopped
6 cherry tomatoes, finely chopped
1 red chilli, finely chopped
Juice of one lime
2 tbsps olive oil
1 tbsps chopped fresh coriander

Method

1. Mix the flour, egg, cream and milk together to make a sticky batter. Stir in the sweetcorn, onions, cheese and then season well with salt and pepper.
2. Heat a little oil in a frying pan and fry large spoonfuls of the fritter mixture for approx. 6 minutes, turning once.
3. Make the salsa by combining all the ingredients together in a bowl.
4. Serve the fritters with the salsa and a crisp green salad.

Diane Overton

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 26.

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THE DAY KILMINGTON CRICKET CLUB’S BEST ALL-ROUNDER BESTED ENGLAND’S BEST ALL-ROUNDER

I was interested to read Dick Sturch’s excellent article, 'Axminster Sporting Legends - an appreciation of a triumvirate of stars', in the Midweek Herald covering the sporting careers of Mike Marsh, Tony Rockett and Martin Leach. I never played cricket with Martin, but have heard many stories about his outstanding sporting ability. I did play cricket with Mike, Tony and Dick, a fine cricketer himself.

Mike and Tony started playing for Kilmington as guest players, before becoming full members of the club. Tony married Audrey, a Kilmington girl whose father, Dick Pound, was a former player and umpire. He started playing regularly for the club when they moved to the village. I believe only the Pound/Rockett family have had the last four generations playing regularly for the club, Dick Pound, Tony, Tony’s son Keith and his grandsons Alex, James and Matt are current players.

Tony enjoyed much success on the cricket field, but to quote Gerald Gosling describing one particularly memorable event, if only in hindsight, “Tony Rockett must have had many happy moments in a career full of success. But few of them could have given him as much pleasure in retrospect as the simple entry in the 1971 scorebook when at Johnson Park against Yeovil 2nd XI and during an 18 over stint that brought him 4-40, there appears the line: I.T.Botham..... bowled A.E.Rockett 6.”

Although only fifteen years old, this was (the future) Sir Ian Botham. He made his debut for Somerset two years later, and came to national attention in June 1974 when he all but single-handedly won a B&H Cup quarter final against Hampshire after being hit in the mouth by fearsome West Indian fast bowler Andy Roberts. He went on to play 102 Test matches and 116 One Day Internationals for England, to most fair-minded people’s minds, England’s greatest ever all rounder.

To illustrate how good a cricketer Tony was, he played in a number of Devon cricket trials in the 1960s/1970s, including one organised by Mike Marsh, himself a Devon player. He regularly made an impact with the bat and/or ball but, for whatever reason, it never resulted in Tony being selected for the full county team. There is no doubt he was good enough. Having spoken to cricketers who played with and against Tony, there is little doubt that he was at least a Minor Counties class, fast bowling, fine fielding, all-rounder.

BATTING
Kilmington Cricket Club Highest Scores up to the end of the 1983 season

Score	Player	Opposition	Ground	Year
152*	J H Copleston	Mr Hope-Halls XI	Kilmington	1910
145	N F Borrett	Chard 2 nd XI	Kilmington	1946
144	A E Rocket	Worcester Nomads	Kilmington	1966
143*		Taunton Nomads	Kilmington	1973
136*	A E Rockett	Taunton Nomads	Kilmington	1970
136*	M R Marsh	Bradninch	Kilmington	1981
132	A E Rocket	Upottery	Kilmington	1977
131	N F Borrett	Killerton	Kilmington	1946
131	M R Marsh	Sidmouth 2 nd XI	Kilmington	1961



KILMINGTON CRICKET CLUB: C1970S

Back row (L-R): Harry Pape (umpire), Brian Gage, John Lavender, Mike Marsh, James Kirkcaldie, Chris Bolton, Harold Symonds (scorer)
Front row (L-R): Chris Marshall, Mike Collier, Tony Rockett (captain), Bryce Cornelius, Denis Hutchings, Bill Bagwell

My father was soon playing for the team alongside Mike and Tony when we moved into the village in 1978. In those days, the batting and bowling of ‘Marsh and Rockett’ was talked of in a similar way to that of ‘Compton and Edrich’ for Middlesex and England in 1948. I played a lot of cricket with Mike, for Kilmington and school, but I only played alongside Tony in his last, and my first, season for the club in 1983. Indoctrinated in cricket by both sides of my family and desperate to impress, I will never forget Tony’s words to me before my first game, as he looked over his glasses at me, “I don’t mind you dropping a catch, but I do mind you not trying for it.” I never forgot those words.

Everyone I have spoken to who played with Tony made clear that if the opposition upset him, he could step up the pace of his bowling and hit the ball further, without losing any control, if he thought it was necessary. Tony played his cricket hard.

Tony wasn’t the only Kilmington stalwart with links to Sir Ian. Maurice Beviss, played cricket and football with Ian Botham, throughout their school years, for The Yeovil Schools Games Association, effectively South Somerset schools. Maurice describes his teammate as being, “streets ahead of anyone else with a bat in his hand and an accomplished, if not outstanding, bowler.” This relates to the period when Tony got him out. Justifiably, playing regularly alongside Sir Ian Botham is a source of great pride for Maurice. Tony’s achievement in besting England’s greatest all-rounder is a truly noteworthy event in the history of the Club.

(I can also recommend Sir Ian’s wine, having been bought a case by Mike Hurford for a recent birthday.)

Martin Huscroft



Sir Ian Botham



Maurice Beviss

BOWLING
Notable bowling figures by A.E.Rockett for Kilmington Cricket Club

Bowling figures	Player	Opposition	Gound	Year
9-37	A E Rockett	Uplyme and Lyme Regis	Uplyme	1966
8-15	A E Rockett	Churchinford	Churchinford	1982
8-22	A E Rockett	Uplyme and Lyme Regis	Kilmington	1969
8-25	A E Rockett	Axminster	Kilmington	1965
8-50	A E Rockett	Ottery St Mary	Ottery St Mary	1957
7-7	A E Rockett	Ottery St Mary	Kilmington	1965
5-3	A E Rockett	Taunton Nomads	Kilmington	1974
5-6	A E Rockett	Seaton	Seaton	1975
4-3	A E Rockett	Upottery	Kilmington	1972

MAD moments in the garden

This time last year I wrote about creating a monthly to do list as a way of keeping on top of each month's gardening jobs. It includes propagation, pruning and other seasonal jobs that are time critical give a week or three! I confess to a few lapses, but it has been helpful in focusing my attention on things I enjoy doing in a timely way. Looking at last year's August entry a particular job is one that I have a few weeks grace over, ordering bulbs.

Back at the end of April, deep in lock down I took time to walk around the garden noting in the August entry for this year, a list of which bulbs I needed to order and where to plant them come the autumn. They were to add to existing groups or to fill an obvious gap. Tulips seem to feature most. My descriptions are not very specific, tall red pointy ones, pink, dark purple and lots of the reliable pretty orange Ballerina, the only tulip cultivar I seem to remember. Hopefully, once I look on the bulb suppliers' web sites I won't revert to the usual 'kid in a sweet shop' behaviour of wanting all on show and will stick to the list. I have noted to buy and plant more of *Fritillaria persica*. I bought a packet in a garden centre last year, tempted by the dark purple bell shaped flowers on tall stems. They turned out to be fabulous. I planted them in a large pot vacated in winter while summer geraniums were sheltering in the greenhouse. It had previously held early narcissi followed by a candy pink and white striped tulip. It sounds terrible but they had been bought by family whilst visiting tulip fields in Holland six years earlier and proved a great present. So I had many years' enjoyment but they were understandably getting weaker and diminishing in number so it was time for a



change. I planted the *Fritillaria persica* first followed by some dark maroon anemone topped off with crocus. The crocus sadly got swamped under the other bulbs' foliage and were clearly too short to rise above, maybe I will try an early *Muscari* this year. The anemone were long and beautiful with flowers and then seed heads wandering around the lower stems of the taller straighter *Fritillaria*. Who knows if all, or any, will emerge this coming year but my fingers will be crossed.

Fritillaria are an interesting species from the *Liliaeceae* family. Most of the 120 varieties are native to Turkey, Greece and Asia with flowers that have adapted to different pollinators such as humming birds, warblers and bees. They are an important constituent of Chinese medical treatments for coughs and colds. The most common varieties are the beautiful

snakes head or *Fritillaria meleagris* which look stunning planted in grassy areas where their delicate heads can be seen above the grass. The flowers are white, purple or somewhere in between with drooping bell shapes with a chequered design that is very unusual. For some reason I cannot get excited about the Crown or *Fritillaria imperialis* species, maybe I haven't tried hard enough but they are just a bit to showy for me at that time of the year, a prejudice that has no logic. The *Fritillaria Persica* is on the list already. As part of research for this article I have found a variety I am not familiar with, the brownish purple heads tipped with a warm yellow of *Fritillaria michailovsky* or Michael's Flower. It's a must have.

Mary-Ann Driscoll



KILMINSTON GARDENING CLUB - UPDATE

We hope this finds you all safe and well following a strange few months? Given the lovely weather we have been fortunate to have experienced, you may have found extra time for

your gardens and allotments. Providing both you and walkers passing by front gardens, with colour, produce and fragrances in abundance.

All events scheduled until September had to be cancelled. However, we were able to devise a plant market with a difference, to members living within the Village. Prior to lock down, an order had been placed with our nursery provider. Wanting to honour that order, due to restrictions, we could not hold it inside. In lieu we created a new, if different service. The nursery supplied the plants, members ordered online, then were given timed slots for collection. Members were as pleased as us with the quality of plants provided and how well the system worked. For that thanks have to go to Jane, Bev and David for their organisation in

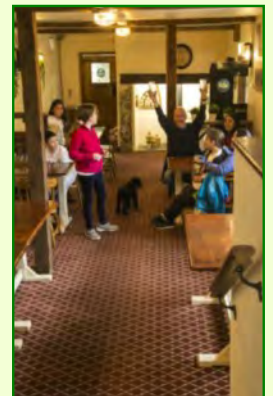
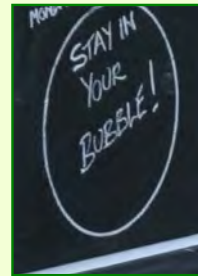
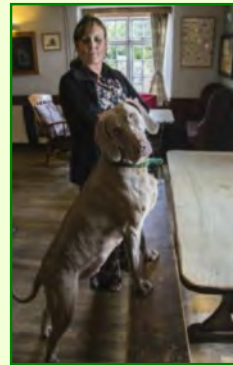
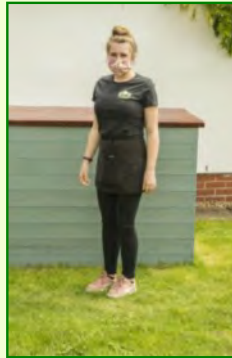
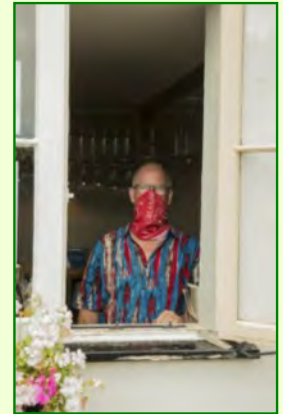
coordinating all aspects and providing a designated collection point. The nursery also breathed a huge sigh of relief, the order being very important for their business.

As we are beginning to emerge from the Covid-19 restrictions, the committee recently held a socially distanced meeting to discuss a way forward. In light of current Government regulations, there **may be** an opportunity for the Village Hall to have a limited opening in October. If this opening date is confirmed, the committee would like to hold the Club's meeting scheduled for that month. For this to be feasible, there would be a large number of changes. We must conform to the Government regulations and Village Hall committee requirements to help us all stay safe. If the green light is given to hold this event, we will alert members of our developing plans by email or post.

Gill Gibbs

At last we have re-opened in Kilmington!

Here are just some of the people, their attractions and visitors who came back in July.....



HEATH LOBELIA UPDATE



Following the recent article in May 2020 edition there was a good response from readers. The project continues to develop – here is an update:

This plant is special to Kilminster and Shute, only growing in four other counties and with only one other site in Devon. The Heath Lobelia volunteer group who have successfully grown plants from seed, have this summer planted them out at locations in the Shute Woods/Kilminster Common area where it once thrived.

Recorded in Rev Zachary Edwards 1862 book, 'Ferns of the Axe', (copies available in Axminster Library) as growing in a mile stretch, 100 yards wide, it now only grows in one area, a private garden. Its growing conditions of open heath land were replaced by woodland and this has led to its demise.

Tree planting on the common gathered apace from the 19th century onwards – started by Sir William Templer Pole, who is known to have planted 896,000 trees on the historic Shute Estate which included Shute Hill. More recently much conifer planting took place in the 1950s onwards.

One former Kilminster resident shared a secret he had kept all these years to a location close to the old football field in Kilminster. Sadly



The Heath Lobelia



Planting the seedlings

changing agricultural practice has caused its demise there. He also recalled the farmer who owned the football field, saying that the field gave the most productive hay yield. Heath Lobelia also grew there, and no doubt contributed to the quality of the hay. The churning up of the ground by the footballers would have been ideal growing conditions for the Heath Lobelia, which thrives on disturbed soils.

This plant is extremely vulnerable, only being present at one existing site – small scale plantings this summer will test to see if it can survive in these new locations close to the one remaining site. The group would also like to enhance the biodiversity of the meadow at Kilminster Common in the village by adding a population there and develop a second secure population.

To provide sufficient numbers of plants for this potential site, the group hope to collect seed from the private garden this autumn. If anyone is interested in helping with raising plants from this seed, please do get in touch with Ruth Worsley, email legacytolandscap@gmail.com or ring 01297 489741.

In the meantime, keep an eye out for this modest discreet and very special plant.

Ruth Worsley

MOVIOLA

Unfortunately, the COVID-19 restriction limits our audience numbers to 25 making the showing of films completely uneconomical. The current arrangements require that we book the films, projectionist, and equipment in August for our film shows September – December so I have had to inform Moviola that we will not be opening again this year.

The hire charges for each show is £191.07 to Moviola plus 35% of ticket sales to the film distributor. Audiences of less than 50 do not cover these charges, but with refreshments and the raffle last year we raised just over £1,500 for the Village Hall maintenance fund. Money which the Village Hall will not receive this year. COVID-19 restriction would probably mean no raffle or refreshments, so even if the social distancing were relaxed we might still have a financial problem to run the film shows.

But not all doom and gloom, we are looking into purchasing our own equipment, which would cut at least £100 from the running costs. The equipment cost for a good setup is around £10,000 so we are trying for a Lottery Grant to start the ball rolling. Having our own equipment would mean far more flexibility on which days we run, and audience size would not be critical allowing for special interest films for smaller groups. However, raising a major portion of the finance required is our first objective so keep your fingers crossed and hope we have some positive news early next year.

John Watts
Your local Moviola organiser

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION KILMINGTON BRANCH

First and foremost our apologies for not providing an update in the previous issues. As you will have guessed, very little has changed since our last article and the coronavirus continues to frustrate our efforts to return to some form of normality, whatever that might be!! As previously reported, our former President and Chairman, Brian Lavender continues to make slow progress and as we go to press, remains in the RD&E; Caroline would like to thank everyone for all their support in these difficult times. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Brian, Caroline and the family and remain hopeful of his recovery.



to provide you with an opportunity to purchase the poppies without endangering any of our members, more details of how to purchase your poppy will follow in the October issue of Postscript. In the meantime if you think you can help produce or donate towards the poppy appeal, please contact our co-ordinator Peter Wood on 07474220211, or any of your committee members. Our Remembrance service this year will also be in a format recognising current guidelines and will be solely conducted at the War Memorial. We are planning to hold our AGM by Zoom in October and details of how you can join the meeting will be published in the next issue of Postscript.

You will be pleased to note that Kilminster RBL has held its first committee meeting since lock down (obeying all the self-distancing rules) and are pleased to report that Rodney, our treasurer was the first to return our annual accounts to County! We are also pleased to announce that we elected to donate a further £1,500 to the Poppy Appeal and £500 to Devon welfare; considering the restrictions imposed on us holding events, this is a fantastic achievement and my thanks to everyone who has donated. As you would expect we continue to follow government and National RBL guidelines, taking appropriate action as necessary.

Unfortunately the current guidelines are going to have a massive effect on our Annual Poppy Appeal; currently this means 'NO' door to door collections, 'NO' static collection tins in social areas and even a reduction in production of this iconic symbol!!! Because of this we are appealing to you all to help us produce poppies in any form or material that can be sold in order to ensure that this historic memorial is not forgotten. During the formal poppy appeal period we intend

We hope that we will be able to resume our normal programme of events as soon as possible, however, this currently looks more likely to be in 2021! Next year is the 100th Anniversary of the Royal British Legion and we will update you with all our plans as the current situation permits. Below is a summary and update for your diaries:

Dates for your Diary:

Sunday	8 th November	Remembrance Sunday - A short service at the War Memorial followed by the Act of Remembrance
Wednesday	11 th November	Maroons at 11.00 am at the Pavilion
Saturday	5 th December	A Taste of Christmas - Kilminster Village Hall

Finally, please stay safe, we wish you all well and look forward to seeing you when we are permitted.

Cdr Staff Seward OBE RN Rtd
Chairman RBL Kilminster Branch

KILMINGTON RBL COMMEMORATION OF THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF VJ DAY

On 15th August, Kilminster RBL Branch President, Roger Lovegrove, led a small gathering in a two-minute silence at the village war memorial to commemorate the 75th Anniversary since the Victory over Japan (VJ Day). A wreath was laid for all those that lost their lives during this conflict.

VJ Day marked the day that Japan surrendered in the Second World War, bringing about the end of the conflict. This came several months after Victory in Europe Day (VE Day) which took place in May 1945 following Germany's surrender.

The Fourteenth Army, which fought against Japan in the Asia-Pacific, was one of the most diverse forces in history. People came from Britain and across the Commonwealth, including East Africa, West Africa and pre-partition India. The friendships made and service given in the Fourteenth Army have had a



lasting impact on Britain today. The Fourteenth Army won some of the most brutal battles in the Second World War. However, their contribution is often overlooked, giving them the nickname; The Forgotten Army.

This year, the Royal British Legion are remembering the many different communities who served and sacrificed in the Second World War, bringing an end to the conflict and shaping Britain today.

As an anecdote to this story; We were preparing to leave the memorial, when a young lady from Yeovil, who was working in the area, stopped to formally pay her respects to her great grandfather who lost his life in this conflict. It was a very moving moment.

Roger Lovegrove
President RBL



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A message to friends and supporters of Axminster hospital League of Friends from our Chairman, Dr Phil Taylor

The Trustees send their best wishes to all those of our community who have suffered so much in so many ways because of the Covid Crisis and are still doing so.

We were forced to cancel our AGM and at present it isn't possible for us to plan another one.

Services have been reopening at Axminster Hospital and we still urge anyone referred to a hospital service to ASK FOR AXMINSTER!!

We continue our support for various health and care services and continue to fully fund H@H (hospice at home) in the area served by the Axminster Medical Practice.

If you have any feedback about the service we would be pleased to receive it.

We are still open to the possibility of new requests for funding which meet our criteria.

Contact via our Hon. Secretary Ann Veit via Axminster Hospital, Chard St, Axminster EX13 5DU or on AnnVmus@aol.com

FUNDRAISING EVENTS FOR HOSPISCARE



1. TOUR DE DEVON

31st August – 21st September 2020

A brand new cycle challenge in aid of Hospiscare, the local hospice charity for Exeter, Mid and East Devon.

The Tour de Devon cycle challenge is all about doing it your way. Choose your challenge distance of 50, 100 or 250 miles and plan your own route at your own pace, around your favourite part of Devon. Once you've planned your route, just complete your challenge between **31st August and 21st September**. Whether you're a seasoned cyclist, an occasional commuter, a fair-weather rider or getting back on your bike for the first time in yonks, Tour de Devon is the perfect challenge for you!

Adult - £10 Child - £5

Sign up today at <https://www.hospiscare.co.uk/events/cycle/>

Sign up today at

<https://www.hospiscare.co.uk/events/marathon/>

Ali McGeown
Fundraising Administrator
01392 688054

My working days are Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

2. MARATHON IN A MONTH

1st October – 31st October 2020

Marathon in a Month is Hospiscare's brand new virtual marathon event, raising vital funds to help support over 2000 patients and their families living with a terminal illness across Exeter, Mid and East Devon.

Whether you're a champion marathon runner or more comfortable on the couch, this challenge is for everyone, including the dog! Your mission is to run, jog or walk a marathon in a month (October, to be precise!) – in your own way and at your own pace.

You may choose to jog a mile every day, walk two half marathons, or go for broke with the full monty in one go. Hospiscare's Marathon in a Month takes place throughout October, so there's plenty of time to plan your approach, get your running playlist ready and start raising funds for Hospiscare.

All participants will each receive a Hospiscare medal as a 'thank you' for their efforts and to celebrate their heroic achievement.

Adult - £10 Dog (and owner) - £15 Child - £5



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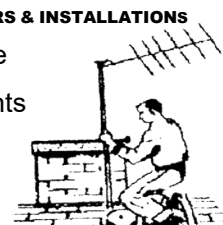
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DIRECTIONS FOR FINDING Vicky Larcombe's house. Vicky is treasurer for Postscript.

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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	6.00 pm	The Beacon	The Baptist Church meet every 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sunday in month
Monday	early	Your house	Recycling collections
Mon, Wed, Thur, Fri	9.15 am	Kilminster 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	The Jokers
	10.00 - noon	Village Hall	Coffee and get-together
	10.00 - noon	The Beacon	The Post Office
	1.30 - 3.00 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 SEPTEMBER 2020

Tues	1st	Early	Your House	Recycling only
Sun	6th	10.30 am	The Beacon Car Park	Car Park Praise
	6th	6.00 pm	St Giles' Church	Pastoral Said Evensong
Sun	13th	10.30 am	The Beacon Car Park	Car Park Praise
	13th	11.00 am	White's Farm, Dalwood	Mission Community Harvest Festival
Mon	14th	Early	Your House	Landfill with recycling
Sun	20th	10.30 am	The Beacon Car Park	Car Park Praise
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THE ANSWER TO TEAM NAMES FROM LAST MONTH



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