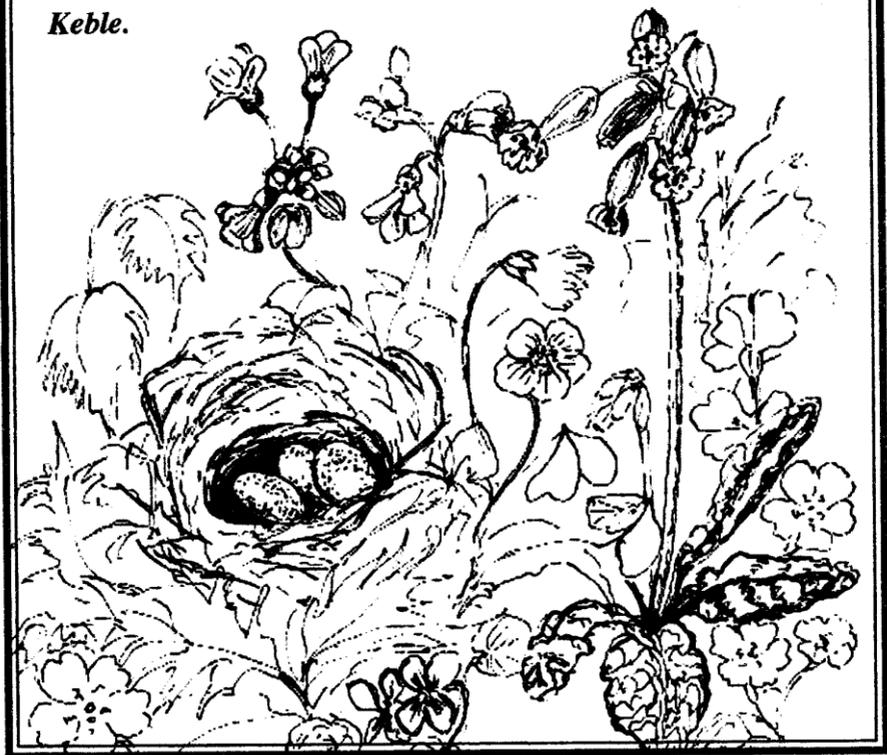


THE  
**ROUNDABOUT**  
CHURCH AND COMMUNITY MAGAZINE

*"Soon oer' their heads blithe April airs shall sing;  
A thousand wild flowers round them shall unfold;  
The green buds glistern in the dews of spring,  
And all be vernal rapture as of old"*

*Keble.*



APRIL 2014

## Parishes of Pilton, Croscombe, North Wootton and Dinder

*All phone codes 01749 unless specified*

**Rector/Priest in Charge:** Vacancy

**Curate:** The Revd Elaine Brightwell 07986 639230  
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Miss Susan Green, 3 Abbots Way, Pilton, BA4 4BN 890524

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ABOUT BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, FUNERALS etc**  
[rector@piltonchurch.org.uk](mailto:rector@piltonchurch.org.uk)

**Messages to this address will be forwarded to the appropriate person  
to deal with.**

If you wish to have a baptism, a wedding, a funeral or any other event in one of the churches please contact one of the churchwardens in that parish, e-mail address above or telephone numbers on the inside back cover. The Churchwardens will pass on your details to one of the ministers who will contact you and make the arrangements with you.

### **ENQUIRIES ABOUT MATERIAL FOR ROUNDABOUT**

**Roundabout email address:** [magazine@roundaboutnews.org.uk](mailto:magazine@roundaboutnews.org.uk)

All material in Word, please, and not in boxes.

**Adverts in the colour section** are now being handled by Gail Milne (890670) [gail.milne@btconnect.com](mailto:gail.milne@btconnect.com). These only change in January.

**Charges for Small Adverts:** Small adverts are 50p per line per month, preferably only two lines for short periods. Requests 1 week before deadline to allow for setting up and billing. Insertion only on receipt of payment.

**All other materials and the small adverts** should be left at the collecting points (see pages 22/23) but if you need to speak to someone please contact Susan Green (890524), Christine Davies (890009) Michael Comer (679468), Janet Christie (344633), or Ann Williamson (342919) who will help you.

**Roundabout Online:** <http://roundabout.blogs.com>

**MAY ROUNDABOUT DEADLINE FOR ALL MATERIAL IS  
MONDAY 14<sup>th</sup> APRIL , 9.00am**

## Never too late for Gardening

For most of us the first sign of spring bringing with it the promise of new life is an optimistic sight. It brings with it the certainty of longer and hopefully warmer drier days.

However, it can mean that we can no longer avoid the inevitable. It's time to get out into our gardens and begin not only to tidy up from the winter months but also to prepare for the summer and autumn. We plant with the expectation of beautiful flowers or home grown vegetables. No matter how much we enjoy our gardens they do require our time, patience and hard work, even if we enjoy it. I always feel that the time I invest in spring is the most important. It begins with the preparation, the digging, and fertilising. Then there is choosing and sowing seeds that are right for the crops I want and also for the soil they are to be sown in. It always amazes me how a drab looking seed can grow into something so colourful and tasty. How life renews itself in an apparently dead looking seed.

We are currently in the season of Lent, the time of preparing for Easter. That time when Christians believe that Jesus died and rose again. Many people may have given up various treats for Lent: alcohol, cake or chocolates. Others may have decided to give up their time and commit to serving others in the community. When we made these commitments on Ash Wednesday, we did so sincerely in the hope of keeping these resolutions. For some there was the hope that as they went without, denying their own needs, so they would in some way be renewed. Maybe it's time to renew that commitment if you've lost your way with it.

When we give up things it's an opportunity to reconsider how we think about them. Maybe as we change the way we think about these things they will become part of our lifestyle rather than something we do just six weeks a year. This is renewal. Our gardens wouldn't fare well if we only spent six weeks a year tending them.

The season of Lent ends with the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ on Easter morning. The time of fasting is replaced with feasting. The time of denying ourselves is replaced with joy. What happened on a barren hillside was completed in the Garden of Resurrection.

*Elaine Brightwell*

## PRAYER FOCUS

Easter brings a message of hope and new life. As we look around our gardens and the local countryside we see signs of new life in nature and we thank God for the many blessings we receive from one another, from this part of the world where we are fortunate to live and from our Easter faith.

## BIBLE READINGS

6 <sup>th</sup> April	Ezekiel 37: 1-14	John 11: 17-45
13 <sup>th</sup> April	Psalms 118: 19-24	Matthew 21: 1-11
17 <sup>th</sup> April	1 Corinthians 11: 23-26	John 13: 1-17, 31b-35
20 <sup>th</sup> April	Acts 10: 34-43	Matthew 28: 1-10
27 <sup>th</sup> April	Acts 2: 14a & 22-32	John 20: 19-end

## Church Services

<b>4<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Easter 3</b>	
9.30am	Holy Communion	Dinder
11.00am	Family Service	Pilton
11.00am	Family Service	Croscombe
11.00am	Holy Communion	North Wootton

## United Village Service at Pilton on Easter Day, April 20<sup>th</sup>

Following our tradition of meeting together for worship on the third Sunday of every month, our service at 11.00am will be at the Parish Church. We have permission from Bishop Peter Maurice to use a Methodist Liturgy for this service of Holy Communion and Revd Nick Lakin will preside.

## LENT MEETINGS

This year we will be meeting on four occasions, once in each village on Monday evenings.

We shall be using *Our Story* produced by the Methodist Church and based on the parable of the vine in John 15. The story will help us think about our churches and our own faith. Each session will include worship and will use the Bible passage. The sessions will be led by Revd Elaine Brightwell and will last about an hour and a half, including light refreshments. We hope that people will offer lifts as they are able, and do come to as many as you can.

<b>Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March</b>	7.30pm	<b>Pilton</b> Village Hall
<b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April</b>	7.30pm	<b>Croscombe</b> Church Room

For more details please contact Elaine or a Churchwarden.

## **INTERVIEWING FOR OUR NEW PRIEST-IN-CHARGE**

Following the interviews in the benefice on 14<sup>th</sup> March, the unanimous view of the PCC representatives was not to submit a name to the Bishop for appointment but to continue the search for our next incumbent. This decision had the full support of the Patrons and the Archdeacon.

Archdeacon Nicola will meet with us in due course to discuss whether we wish to revisit the Parish Profile and to ask when and how we would like to re-advertise the post. Our thanks to everyone who gave time to meeting and hosting the candidates beforehand, and for your support during the vacancy. Please continue to hold the appointment process and all involved in your prayers.

*The Churchwardens*

## **PRAYER and a PINT**

Ten of us met at Crossways on 11<sup>th</sup> March and enjoyed a very interesting short talk about his life, belief and experiences given by retired Archdeacon of Wells, The Ven Dick Acworth - followed by discussion.

**Next meeting Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 8.00pm  
at The George Inn Croscombe**

**Short talk by Thomas Fowler from Connect. . . ‘Care for the homeless’.**

Everyone is welcome to Prayer and a Pint.

Contact Lucy Stankiewicz 890036 or Ted Sayer 890650  
if you require further details.

## **A CELEBRATION OF CHILDHOOD**

**Easter Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Pilton Parish Church**

**2.30 – 5.00pm**

**Light refreshments**

Together in Pilton

is planning a display of items from childhood.

We would be very grateful to borrow

Christening robes and gifts,

toys and anything connected with childhood in the past.

Experience toys from the past and try the competitions.

It's not too late to contact us if you can lend items.

There would be someone in attendance all the time.

If you have anything suitable please contact

Hilary Austin (890561), Gill Eavis (890468) or Lysbeth Ballantine(890387).

## **New PCCs**

A big thank you to everyone who has served the Church in the last year by carrying responsibilities and doing the work that goes with them, especially our Churchwardens, Treasurers and Secretaries. This year our Churchwardens have taken on additional tasks during the period of vacancy and we extend our special thanks to them. Our thanks to Rachel Summerhayes who has served as Treasurer at Croscombe and to the people who have served as Deanery Synod representatives for the past three years and for the Parochial Church Council members who have finished their terms of service: Wendy Lynn, Alison Ward, Dorothy Blyth and Vernon Blyth in Pilton; David Masters, Terry McCarthy, Diana Bucknall and Maggie Cridland in Croscombe; and Ros Comer, Jane Thorne and Clive Browning in Dinder.

The new PCCs are:

### **Pilton**

Churchwardens: Maurice Davies and Paul Warry

Treasurer: Paul Warry, Secretary: Jayne Sims and Vice-Chair: Susan Green

Deanery Synod Representatives: Anthony Austin and Hilary Austin

Other lay representatives: Hannah Candlin, Gill Eavis, Tim Gibson, Jo Long, Wendy Lynn and Sheila Steward.

### **Croscombe**

Churchwardens: Ellie Doe and Jenny Mitchell

Treasurer: John Cridland, and Secretary: Janet Dowding

Vice-Chair: Jenny Mitchell

Deanery Synod Representatives: David Masters and Maggie Cridland

Other Lay Representatives: Bobbie Boardman, Helen Brown, Clive Chiffers, Terry McCarthy, Sandra Kirkham and Tony Williamson.

### **Dinder**

Churchwardens: Clive Chivers and Michael Comer

Treasurer: Robert Gilbert, and Secretary: Claire Chivers

Vice-Chair: Clive Chivers

Deanery Synod Representatives: Ros Comer and Jane Thorne

Other Lay Representatives: Mary Browning, Jonathan Clark, Miggs Clark, June Cursley, Stella Elston, Becky Gilbert and Roy Thorne.

The incumbent is the Chair of all PCCs although most meetings are chaired by the Vice-Chair and during the vacancy Vice-Chairs chair PCC meetings and the Annual Church Meeting.

## ABOUT PEOPLE

We are glad to welcome new people to our villages. We hope that you settle happily and we look forward to seeing you at village events.

We send our good wishes and prayers to anyone who is unwell at the moment, whether you are at home or in hospital. We remember those receiving treatment and those awaiting the results of tests.

### Baptisms

**Reggie John Billing** and **Thomas Henry House** were baptised in the Family Service in Pilton Parish Church on March 2<sup>nd</sup>.

On March 16<sup>th</sup> **Phoebe Ann Betty Gibson** was welcomed in baptism in a service at Pilton Parish Church.

### Funeral

**Valerie Stevens** was commended to God at Mendip Crematorium on 25<sup>th</sup> February and her ashes have been interred in Croscombe churchyard. Thanksgiving Service to be held at 11.00am on 31<sup>st</sup> March in Croscombe church.

### Food Bank at Dinder - a note for other parishes

In Dinder we have been collecting food for the Wells Food Bank for a few months now.

We wonder if any other Parishes would be interested in helping us with food donations if they haven't got a donation centre of their own.

There is a box in the church and one in the Village Hall and items can be left there; the church is always open in the day and the Village Hall is frequently open. In particular from 11.00am. on a Friday morning for the coffee session there will always be someone there.

Meanwhile thank you to all Dinder folks who have given so generously up till now. It is important to go on giving as the need is continuing.

Understandably people have been giving to those on the Levels who have lost all, but the need for those served by the food banks has not gone away so do please continue to help the Food Bank in Wells.

If you need any information ring one of the following:-

Ros 679468      Claire 678888      Denise 939182

### CROSCOMBE CHURCH BELLS

Ringers from New Hay, Rochdale are having a holiday in the area and will be ringing in Croscombe on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April from about 12.15pm for some 40 minutes.

*Michael Hay*

## PILTON PARISH COUNCIL

There was a full house at the Council meeting on March 5<sup>th</sup> where residents expressed concerns about the Bier House and the Playing Field. Further information will be gathered.

There have been reports of an increase in speeding vehicles along the village roads. Please be aware of the 30mph signs and remember that there are adult and child pedestrians and no pavements!

Apparently there has also been an increase in the amount of dog mess around the village and it has been noticed particularly on the Playing Field, the grass near the Tithe Barn and the grass verges. Small children play here and should not be in contact with animal faeces. Please clear up after your pets.

Our apologies for the unforeseen cancellation of the last Litter Pick. There is a **NEW DATE** on **SATURDAY, MARCH 29<sup>TH</sup> AT 9.30AM IN THE VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK.** Please come and help spring clean the Parish and enjoy a soup lunch afterwards. We thank the Asbos for **their** help with litter – they collected 13 bags in West Compton!

The next Parish Council Meeting is on Wednesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7.30pm.

*Sandra Howe, Chairman.*



### **Save the Children**

We are looking for a Treasurer, can you help?

Do you have good organisational and record keeping skills, and perhaps have some experience with online banking? Can you spare just a few hours a month for this volunteer role?

Thanks to our Fundraising Volunteers, last year Save the Children was able to improve the lives of 12 million children and respond to 119 emergencies in 48 countries.

Our Pilton Save the Children Fundraising Branch is looking for a Treasurer to join their fantastic team. The main role of the Treasurer will be to reconcile the monthly bank account information, transfer money raised into main account (using online banking) and to complete an Annual Return form at the end of the year. You will be provided with full support and any training required for this role by Save the Children.

Can you spare a small amount of time? If you think you can help, or for further information please contact Lysbeth Ballantine

Email- [ron.ballantine@care4free.net](mailto:ron.ballantine@care4free.net) or phone 01749 890387.

Pilton SCF will be collecting house-to-house in Pilton, North Wootton and district during the week beginning Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April. If you would like to join us for a few hours to collect please phone Liz Mayhew on 890553.

## **DINDER AND CROSCOMBE CRICKET CLUB**

Our next popular Easter Quiz Night will be held at the George Inn, Croscombe, on Sunday 6th April at 8.00pm

Teams of up to 4; £2.00 per person

Proceeds to Club funds

New players will be welcome when the club starts the new season.

Fixtures

Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	Crewkerne	2.00pm	Home
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	No Fixture	Easter Day	
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	Batcombe	2.00pm	Home
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Corsley	2.30pm	Home

*Roy Thorne, Hon Sec 01749 674378*

**Look, we are back**  
**GLOBE CARNIVAL CLUB**  
**Grand Easter Bingo**  
**at Croscombe Village Hall**  
**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April**  
Jackpot House £100

Doors open at 7.00pm for eyes down at 8.00pm

First class prizes donated by local businesses and supporters

Contact Wendy 01749 675877

**St George and the Dragon Festival**  
**April 23<sup>rd</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> at The George Inn, Croscombe**

Help wanted, please!

A village feast on St George's Day was celebrated over 400 years ago, according to Croscombe parish records. And in 1666 the George Inn issued its own token coinage showing St George and the Dragon. We think it's time to re-establish the tradition and we want your help!

Would you like to join in a play, dance like a dragon, bring food for a feast, throw some skittles, display some art, make some music or otherwise contribute to making this a real community event? The medieval records of the Worminster worm and Bishop Jocelyn certainly suggest that the whole parish was affected by the dragon myth (or was it truth?), so we think it is time to celebrate our heritage, learn a little and have some fun.

Please contact me for more information!

*Peter Graham*

The George Inn 342306 or [info@thegeorgeinn.co.uk](mailto:info@thegeorgeinn.co.uk)



**Thank you** to everyone who has supported Go Green in the past. Although a large number of people are on the mailing list, the number of people able to arrange events is so small that we have decided to disband.

*Susan Green, Secretary*

### **THE CARBON FAST CHALLENGE FOR LENT**

How are you getting on with the challenge to reduce your carbon footprint by 40%?

If you are having a Spring clean remember to recycle all that you can.

Charity shops are always grateful for donations.

Enjoy our local area – gardens and walks - to avoid using petrol.

Growing some vegetables will help to reduce our carbon footprints.

You can find other ideas at

[www.thecarbonfast.org](http://www.thecarbonfast.org)

### **Fosseway Gardening Club**

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April – 7.30pm Pylle Village Hall

### **The Creation of Midney Gardens – David Chase**

New members always welcome

Details from Janet (01749 331306) or Barbara (01749 960438)

### **CROSCOMBE VILLAGE STORES**

I have been increasingly concerned about our Village Stores' financial viability. It is only being kept afloat by a relatively few loyal customers, the new parcel service and passing trade. Buying the odd pint of milk, a loaf of bread and the papers is not enough to keep the business going. We all appreciate the immense amount of effort and dedication that Phil and Shelley are putting in to keep the stores going. They cannot do more and may well be dispirited when their efforts to bring in new lines reap little reward.

All their prices are competitive with the supermarkets, their meat is second to none, and it is a pleasure to find the majority of the weekly shopping close to home. Their lease runs out in less than two years, so if we want a Village Stores, then we all have to do a great deal more to support it NOW.

*Jo Sackett*

**Glastonbury Festivals 2014 Limited**  
will be meeting with Pilton Parish Council  
**at Pilton Village Hall on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April at 6.00 pm**

This meeting will be open to the public  
but participation will be at the discretion of the Chairman



**SPRING CLEANING FOR PILTON EMPORIUM**

If you're starting to spring clean and blitz cupboards and sheds, please spare a thought for Pilton Show: it's never too soon for us to begin collecting for September! Particularly for the Emporium, for which items can be stored. If you are moving house, or just wanting to clear space, we can take *small* boxed items at this stage but cannot accept larger furniture or books until July. Please contact Ruth Eavis (890465) or Jenny de Gex (890465).

Please consider the stallholders and make sure all donated goods are in good condition: no chipped or cracked china, please, and any electrical goods must be in safe working order.

A full list of stallholders for your kind donations will appear in June or July Roundabout.

*Pilton Show Committee*

**PILTON ART GROUP**

On Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May Richard Turner, an expert in using soft pastels, will be giving us a demonstration on all aspects of using pastels. This includes equipment, techniques, surfaces, elements and principles of design. The demonstration begins at 2 o'clock. If you would like to join us, please phone Paula on 01749 890323 or Malcolm on 01749 890488. £2 including refreshments.

**Please note: ROUNDABOUT DEADLINE for May material is one week earlier than usual** because of the Easter Bank Holiday. Make sure that you submit items before 9.00am on **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April.**

## EVENTS AT OUR VILLAGE PUBS AND CLUB

### Pilton Working Men's Club

**Sunday April 6<sup>th</sup>** - Carvery Lunch - 12noon - 2.30pm

**Sunday April 13<sup>th</sup>** - Easter Bingo 7pm - 7.30pm in aid of Air Ambulance

**Wednesday April 16<sup>th</sup>** - Steve Knightley Grow your own Gig Tour 2014.  
6.45pm-7.30pm Tickets £16 in advance only

**Saturday April 19<sup>th</sup>** - An Evening with Rodney Allen Guitar/Vocal 8pm £4

**Sunday April 20<sup>th</sup>** - Carvery Lunch from 12noon- 2.30pm

**Friday April 25<sup>th</sup>** - Acoustic Evening 8.30pm £2.50

**Saturday Morning Breakfast** will be served from 8.30am - 10.30am.

Tickets etc Andy Reilly 07734706257 and Ron England 07592805693

Please book early for **Carvery Lunches** to avoid disappointment.

Further details about events, please contact Ann (Evenings 890162)

### The Crown Inn, Pilton

**Every Tuesday** – Quiz Night, Free entry

**Every Wednesday** – Take-out night, Fish and Chips, Burgers  
Chicken and Chips, Curry etc

**Every Saturday** – Free wine with every two char grilled steaks

**Every Sunday** – Great Roast Lunches straight from the oven  
Main Course £7.00, 2 courses £10.00

**Friday April 4<sup>th</sup>** – Mediterranean Buffet £12.00

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Good Friday** – Seafood Buffet £14.00

Details on 01749 890295 or [www.CROWNINNPILTON.COM](http://www.CROWNINNPILTON.COM)

### The George Inn, Croscombe

**Wednesday April 23<sup>rd</sup> – Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> April**

**St George and the Dragon Festival**

Talks, Music, Art, Drama,  
Beer and Cider Festival

Display of St George and the Dragon Art and Memorabilia

Fundraising for the MS Society

All welcome

For details, contact the George Inn on 01749 342306

## SMALL ADS

**Give your garden a treat! 2 year old well-rotted horse manure** for sale by sack or load. 100% organic. Come and collect. Tel 01749 890582

**Garden Maintenance** – call Dave Williams on 01749 345446

**Domestic Electrician** – Fully Qualified. Rewires. Extra sockets or lighting alterations. Fault finding. Advice given. Quotations: Ian Lester on 01749 890769.

**Wanted: Old Petrol Lawnmowers or garden machinery:** Jim Talbot on 07779498812

**Home Service:** Windows Cleaned (regular or one-off), gutters cleared, paths cleaned, gardens tidied. Please ring Graham on 07966428415.

**Chantry Construction:** stone walling, drives, block paving, patios, extensions, mini-digger and driver. Contact Paul Merrett 01373 836787 or 07855343388.

**Julie Bryant, Mobile Hairdressing** in the comfort of your home or mine. Fully qualified and experienced. Please call 07773 421737 or 01749 674792.

**Holiday let,** Stallance, West Looe, Cornwall. ¾ bedrooms, 3 baths, 100m from the sea with fantastic views to Looe Island. Ample car parking. Contact Michael Gilliat, The George Inn, tel 342306 [www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk](http://www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk)

**Mobile Hairdresser:** hassle-free hairdressing in the comfort of your own home, Sophie.Smallwood@yahoo.com or 07748338745

**Carpentry and Joinery** [www.oakleafjoinery.co.uk](http://www.oakleafjoinery.co.uk) – free-standing and fitted kitchens, windows, staircases, doors, floors, 01458 443759 or 07796534843

**Domestic Help available.** References provided. Call Heather on 01458 837809

**Fionna Roberts PCH; Classical Homeopath,** BA Hons, RSHom 15 years experience. Clinics in East Pennard & Wells, 01749 890636, [fionna@fionnaroberts.co.uk](mailto:fionna@fionnaroberts.co.uk), [www.fionnaroberts.co.uk](http://www.fionnaroberts.co.uk)

**Jen's English Tuition** [www.jenstuition.co.uk](http://www.jenstuition.co.uk) Qualified English teacher: private classes in Wells and local area 07582192380 [jjutoring@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jjutoring@hotmail.co.uk)

**Home Cleaning Service.** Please call Kath 01749 890906 or 07785541260

**Help with your garden upkeep!** Borders, lawns, hedges, edges and veg patch care. Please call Kath 01749 890906 or 07785541260

**For Sale: Home-made marmalade,** many different flavours. All proceeds to charity. Phone 01749 890387.

**Croscombe Residents: spare plot on the allotment site** (behind the village shop) does anybody fancy joining our happy band and growing their own? Please contact Maggie Cridland for more details 01749 330110 Mill Cottage or [maggie.cridland@btinternet.com](mailto:maggie.cridland@btinternet.com)

## WHAT'S ON IN DINDER AND DULCOTE

### April

6 <sup>th</sup> YOS, Village Hall	6.00pm
6 <sup>th</sup> Dinder and Croscombe Cricket Club Quiz Night, The George Inn	8.00pm
11 <sup>th</sup> Village Hall Lunch (pre-book)	12.30pm
18 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Club: Making the Easter Garden in the Church	10.00am
20 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Club at the Village Hall	10.30am
20 <sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday gathering at the Village Hall	12noon – 2.30pm

Coffee and chat, and of course the bar will be open too.

Everyone very welcome.

### DINDER VILLAGE HALL LUNCH

Our next lunch is on Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> April. There is a good choice of delicious home-cooked main courses and desserts, all for £5.50. Drinks are bought separately at the bar. Please pre-book by phoning either:

Margaret Bancroft (674943) or Liz Hoare (670477) and state if you require vegetarian. Please pay when you arrive. Doors open at 12.30pm and we start serving at 12.45pm. We look forward to seeing you.

### DINDER AND DULCOTE SUNDAY CLUB

We spent a great morning in the playground enjoying the sunshine and beautiful surroundings! We thought about nature and the beauty of the place we live in.

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> - Good Friday Easter Garden** – 10.00am-11.00am in the church. Come and help make the Easter garden. Followed by hot cross buns.

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday Club** – Dinder Village Hall 10.30am as usual – followed by the Easter Egg Hunt after the service.

Sunday Club is from 10.30am at the Village Hall for children birth to 13 years. Children under 3 years need to have an adult accompany them. Children from any parish are most welcome. Please feel free to come even if you can't come every month, or haven't been for a while! For further information please contact Becky Gilbert (676739).

### YOS

In March we made pancakes, played some very energetic games to burn off the sugar and thought about what we could take up for Lent!

YOS will be presenting a modern version of the Easter Story in Dinder church on Palm Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> April, at 6.30pm.

YOS is open to children of all parishes in Year 6 upwards. We meet in Dinder Village Hall on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month 6.00pm-7.30pm. For further information please contact Sandra Kirkham 342221 or Becky Gilbert 676739.

## WHAT'S ON IN CROSCOMBE

### April

2 <sup>nd</sup> Mobile Library: The George Inn	9.15 – 9.25am
Honeymead	10.55 – 11.05am
6 <sup>th</sup> YOS, Dinder Village Hall	6.00pm
6 <sup>th</sup> Dinder & Croscombe Cricket Club Quiz Night. The George Inn	8.00pm
7 <sup>th</sup> Lent Meeting. Church Room	7.30pm
8 <sup>th</sup> Prayer and a Pint, The George Inn	8.00pm
10 <sup>th</sup> Croscombe Society Somerset Evening. Village Hall	7.30pm
14 <sup>th</sup> Globe Carnival Club Easter Bingo, Village Hall	7.00 for 8.00pm
15 <sup>th</sup> W.I. Ploughman's Lunch, S.D.A. Hall	12.30pm
Followed by "Folklore of Somerset Wildlife", Mr. Cloutman	2.30pm
17 <sup>th</sup> W.I. Bring and Buy, Mill Cottage	10.30am – 12.30pm
17 <sup>th</sup> Senior Citizens' Club. S.D.A. Hall	2.15pm
Talk by the Ven Dick Acworth	
23 <sup>rd</sup> W.I. Scrabble. (Details from Helen Cox, 343642)	
24 <sup>th</sup> Moviola Film Night. "Captain Phillips" (PG-!£)	
Licensed Bar. Tickets £6. Village Hall	7.00 for 7.30pm
27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Club. Church Room	11.00am

### May

10<sup>th</sup> Croscombe Society Flea Market. Village Hall 10.00am – 12.00noon

### Croscombe W.I. Bring and Buy

**17<sup>th</sup> April 10.30 am – 12.30pm**

at Maggie Cridland's, Mill Cottage Long, Street  
with a cream tea/coffee

all welcome, come and have a chat and grab a bargain.

### MOVIOLA in Croscombe Village Hall,

**'Captain Phillips' (PG-13) Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> April**

Starring Tom Hanks in a film based on the true story of a hijacking of a US container ship by Somali pirates. An action packed thriller not to be missed!

Tickets: £6 available at the Door / Croscombe Village Stores

Doors open at 7.00pm Licensed Bar Programme commences at 7.30pm.

*Christine Walker, Michael Hay*

### CROSCOMBE SUNDAY CLUB

We will be meeting in the Church Room on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> at 11.00am. All children from birth to 11 years are welcome, but children under 3 years old will need to be accompanied by an adult. For more information, contact Sandra (342221) or Bobbie (938148).

## WHAT'S ON IN PILTON

### March

31<sup>st</sup> Lent Group, Village Hall 7.30pm

### April

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Happy Circle Birthday Lunch  
2<sup>nd</sup> Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall 7.30pm  
3<sup>rd</sup> Mobile Library, West Compton House 9.20am  
Top Street Car Park 9.35am  
11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> Pilton Players, Village Hall 7.30pm  
14<sup>th</sup> Pilton Show Meeting, Village Hall 7.30pm  
14<sup>th</sup> W.I. Members' Night, Village Hall 7.30pm  
15<sup>th</sup> History Group, 'A Somerset Mystery' Village Hall 7.30pm  
16<sup>th</sup> Happy Circle, 'Asian Holiday' PWMC 2.00pm  
16<sup>th</sup> Glastonbury Festivals Ltd 2014 meeting with  
Pilton Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall 6.00pm  
19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> Sale of gifts etc at The Barn, West Compton 2.00 – 5.00pm  
20<sup>th</sup> 'A Celebration of Childhood', Parish Church 2.30- 5.00pm  
26<sup>th</sup> Ramblers, Village Hall Car Park, 2.00pm  
30<sup>th</sup> Happy Circle AGM, cards and games, PWMC 2.00pm

### May

1<sup>st</sup> Art Group – Pastel Demonstration, Village Hall (see details) 2.00pm

**Pilton Village History Group** Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> April: Brian Wright will be talking on 'A Somerset Mystery - did St Brigit of Ireland visit Somerset in AD 488? Start 7.30pm Village Hall. All welcome. Members £1 Visitors £2.

NB: Note the change of date due to the room being already booked on the 7th April.

*Richard Raynsford*



**Pilton Ramblers'** walk for April will be a five mile circuit from Chelynch, climbing Beacon Hill with fine views over Doultling and far beyond. The return leg will follow the route taken by the Roman legions down part of the Fosse Way which is nowadays walked at a gentler pace than the marching orders of two thousand years ago! Then, passing through the hamlet of Bodden and beside Pitts Wood, the walk will return to Chelynch. Anyone is welcome to come along – meet at Pilton Village Hall car park (for car sharing) at **2.00 pm** on **Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> April** or outside the Poacher's Pocket Inn, Chelynch at around 2.15pm

*John Wheat 890585*

## THE ANNUAL SOMERSET EVENING

Hosted by The Croscombe Society

**THURSDAY 10<sup>th</sup> APRIL at 7.30 pm in Croscombe Village Hall**

Everyone Welcome – We look forward to seeing you

Entertainment by Mr. Jonathan Weeks – “**A BLAST FROM THE PAST**”

A Collector & Player of Medieval Musical Instruments with extensive knowledge, giving a light-hearted talk in appropriate costume

**Entrance Charge is only £6 (£7.50 for non-Members)**

**INCLUDING .....**

A Cheddar Ploughman’s with fresh granary rolls & chutneys

A selection of home-made Puddings and Cream to finish

plus Keith Armstrong’s IFQ (Infamous Somerset Quiz!)

Bar & Raffle

It helps enormously with catering if you can purchase tickets in advance

Please ring Val McRobbie 343502

Advance Notification:

**FLEA MARKET** in the Village Hall

**SATURDAY 10<sup>th</sup> MAY 10-12 noon.**

To book a table please contact Val McRobbie 343502 or Imelda North 343788

The cost of each table will be £5 in advance or £6 on the day.

Further information will be given in the next edition of the Roundabout



Invite you to

**“FOR YOUR PLEASURE”**

their next production at Pilton Village Hall on Friday, April 11<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 pm.

Doors open 7.00 pm.

Enjoy an evening of entertainment and a light Ploughman’s supper with drinks available in the Club Bar.

Tickets are on sale **NOW** at £7 from Pilton Post Office; the Club Bar and Sandra Howe on 01749 890 239.

**We’d love to see you there!**

## **BITS FROM THE BELFRY**

As we don't seem to have any news of quarter peals in our parish churches at the moment, I thought an update on the bells of Christchurch Cathedral, New Zealand might be of interest. It is now over three years since the devastating earthquake which toppled the tower of the cathedral, burying the bells in the rubble. Most of the bells were intact apart from a serious crack in the 5<sup>th</sup> bell. The bells were transported across the seas thanks to the Maersk Shipping Line and eventually reached Taylors in Loughborough. The 13 bells had originally been cast by Taylors in 1970. The 5<sup>th</sup> bell was recast and all the bells refitted and repaired. They have been packed for long term storage in a container which should now be en route back to New Zealand. The tower collapse is commemorated on the recast 5<sup>th</sup> bell with the following inscription:

“Recast in 2013 after falling with the tower in the earthquake of  
February 22<sup>nd</sup> 2011. Standing Tall and Staying Strong  
Kia Kaha”

The cost of repairing the bells was about £60,000. The bells are now valued at about £300,000.

*Jean Skidmore*

## **DINDER AND CROSCOMBE CRICKET CLUB**

Our next popular Easter Quiz Night will be held at The George Inn, Croscombe, on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April at 8.00pm.

Teams of up to 4; £2.00 per person. Proceeds to Club funds.

*Roy Thorne, Hon Sec (674378)*

### **Harriet Sandys**

invites you and your friends to

**a selling exhibition**

**of oriental carpets and kilims**

**antique and contemporary textiles, costume tribal jewellery and  
exotic gifts from Central Asia, Afghanistan and India.**

**Easter Weekend – Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April**

**2.00 – 5.00pm**

Also open by appointment

**At The Barn at The Manor House, West Compton, Shepton Mallet**

01749 890582 [www.sandysorientalcarpets.co.uk](http://www.sandysorientalcarpets.co.uk)

Email: [harrietsandys@freeaolmail.com](mailto:harrietsandys@freeaolmail.com)

Directions from A361. Credit/debit cards accepted.

## CROSCOMBE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

Being February, it was no surprise that Iris, our new chairman, read out a long list of apologies. Then we sang to Marie, Judith, Gill, Gwen and her John, who had all had birthdays. Many happy returns to them and love and good wishes to all our sick friends. Come back soon.

We welcomed two guests, Roger David and Bob Elliott, who came specially to hear the talk, on his life in the R.A.F., by Clive Mitchell. The daring and skill required to command a plane with swept back wings was so impressive. Clive was a star pupil from the outset, awarded the sword of honour after completing his initial training, then ending his career as inspector of inspectors of pilots. I think it's what you call being an ace.

He brought along lots of photographs which we enjoyed poring over at tea time, which was made special by delicious birthday cakes.

*Barbara Lippett*

## PILTON HAPPY CIRCLE

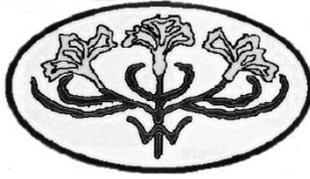
February's gloom and doom was lifted by two very different Wednesday afternoons at Happy Circle. Jenny de Gex, Liz and Sandra gave us the low-down on how 'Pilton People' was conceived and brought into glorious fulfilment. What a lot of hard work in planning, writing, finding photos, editing and selling the final book! There are still copies available for sale from Jenny de Gex!

Members loved the memories of previous decades triggered by the photos on the screen – shouts of recognition rang round the room as people recalled their favourites – people who helped to create the village ethos which made it a place where so many wanted to live. It is up to us today to ensure this spirit continues into our young people's futures, our legacy - a community which works, sharing its joys and easing its sorrows.

How well Mickey Fitzpatrick achieved the latter! What fun she gave us in her anecdotes in her talk "From Nine to Five". What versatility! What drive! What love of life!

Remember **your** favourite joke; a naughty poem; a funny moment in your life! Then the sun will shine!

John Howe.



## CROSCOMBE WI

This month was both happy and sad. Happy because we were amongst friends but sad because we had a minute's silence for a founder member, Val Stevens, who died recently. She will be so missed.

We had our usual business, correspondence, finance, County News etc, after which we had a talk on spinning. This was by a member of the Spinning Guild, Sheila Francis.

To start we were given a small amount of raw fleece to judge its strength and then after twisting it, to judge again. It was amazing just how strong it became. Sheila then told us how she became a spinner with a detailed talk and demonstration on how to spin. She explained that you spin clockwise: it will only go one way. To actually spin a whole fleece can take time, maybe weeks. You spin one ply at a time. To get the more well-known 3 or 4 ply wool, more has to be combined. The quality of the wool can depend on the health of the sheep.

Sheila also brought many items for our perusal including dyed wool and different weaving looms where one could attempt to weave. A very interesting subject with a great deal to learn in such a short time!

After thanks and conversation, our cup of tea and biscuit ended an afternoon enjoyed by all.

*Lyn Manvill*

## PILTON VILLAGE W.I.

The newly formed Pilton Village WI held their first monthly meeting under their new name last month. We were very happy to welcome our new committee and thanked them for volunteering to lead us and it was good to see several new members. At the meeting we enjoyed hearing from Candace Bahouth about her career since she arrived in Pilton some 30 years ago. Candace showed examples of her varied work and explained how her work had evolved and changed over the years from weaving, needlepoint and then mosaics. Our April Meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> - **a week early** - at 7.30pm at the Village Hall is an evening of entertainment organised by the members.

For further information please contact: Shirley 330722

*Shirley Watt*

**Mendip DFAS** Meetings are held in the Westex Suite at the Bath and West Showground, Shepton Mallet, at 10:30am for 11:00am

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April “Diaghilev and the Ballets Russes”** by Dr . Rosamund Bartlett BA (Hons) D Phil who gave us an outstanding lecture on St . Petersburg in 2012 .

Anyone wishing to attend should contact Tony Lane in advance (670652).

**The Mid-Somerset Decorative and Fine Arts Society - 15<sup>th</sup> April ‘Glittering Prizes’ – the mosaics of Ravenna.** Illustrated lecture £6 at Caryford Hall in Castle Cary BA7 7JJ (free parking).

For further information contact 01963 350 527.

### **I.T. for the Terrified**

We will be closed for our Easter Break from 7<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> April inclusive, and will re-open on Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April.

We will be holding two **Open House** sessions on **Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> April at 1.30pm** and **Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> April at 10am**. Call in and have a look round and chat to trainers etc, and sign up if you wish.

**XP to XPire?? Do you have an XP computer? Did you know that Microsoft is going to stop supporting XP from the middle of this month (April)?**

Your computer won't self-destruct, but if you continue to use Windows XP after support ends, your computer will become more vulnerable to security risks and viruses. So come to us find out more. You can have a “test run” on the various options available.

Otherwise, you can bring your own laptop/tablet/iPad/smartphone, or use our machines. We can cover most topics (Internet browsing; shopping; eBay; Photos; emails; Word processing; Spreadsheets; etc) on most computers (Windows8; Windows7; Macs; iPads; Tablets; SmartPhones).

Or if you can spare two hours a week and have skills on any level – especially iPad or Tablet – that you would like to share with others, please get in touch.

Computer Club on Thursday afternoons at **1.30-3.30 pm**.

Contact us on **01934 741751** or email [itfortheterrified@btconnect.com](mailto:itfortheterrified@btconnect.com) or check out [www.itfortheterrified.co.uk](http://www.itfortheterrified.co.uk)

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## **PILTON METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES**

6 <sup>th</sup> April	Neil Shearn	11.00am
13 <sup>th</sup> April	Barry Speddings	11.00am
20 <sup>th</sup> April	Revd Nick Lakin	11.00am
	Easter Day - United Service at The Parish Church	
27 <sup>th</sup> April	Steve Derby	11.00am

Children are always welcome to join our Sunday School.  
Details from Jacquy 890701

**Morning Prayer in Croscombe Church**  
at 8.30am daily, on Monday to Saturday

**A Time of Quiet Prayer in Pilton Church**  
at 9.00am on Wednesdays

# PARISH CHURCH SERVICES

## APRIL 2014

<b>6<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Lent 5</b>	
9.30am	Holy Communion	Dinder
11.00am	Family Service	Pilton
11.00am	Family Service	Croscombe
11.00am	Holy Communion	North Wootton
<b>13<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Palm Sunday</b>	
9.30am	Holy Communion	Pilton
11.00am	Holy Communion	Croscombe
11.00am	Family Service	North Wootton
6.30pm	YOS Drama	Dinder
<b>14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Holy Week</b>	
7.30pm	Compline	North Wootton
<b>17<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Maundy Thursday</b>	
7.30pm	Holy Communion	Croscombe
<b>18<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Good Friday</b>	
12.00pm	Service	Dinder
2.00pm	Service	North Wootton
7.30pm	Service	Pilton
<b>20<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Easter Day</b>	
8.00am	Holy Communion	Pilton
9.30am	Holy Communion	North Wootton
9.30am	Holy Communion	Dinder
11.00am	Holy Communion	Pilton
	(Methodist liturgy at the Parish Church)	
11.00am	Holy Communion	Croscombe
<b>27<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Easter 2</b>	
9.30am	Holy Communion	Pilton
9.30am	Morning Service	North Wootton
11.00am	Holy Communion	Croscombe
11.00am	Morning Service	Dinder