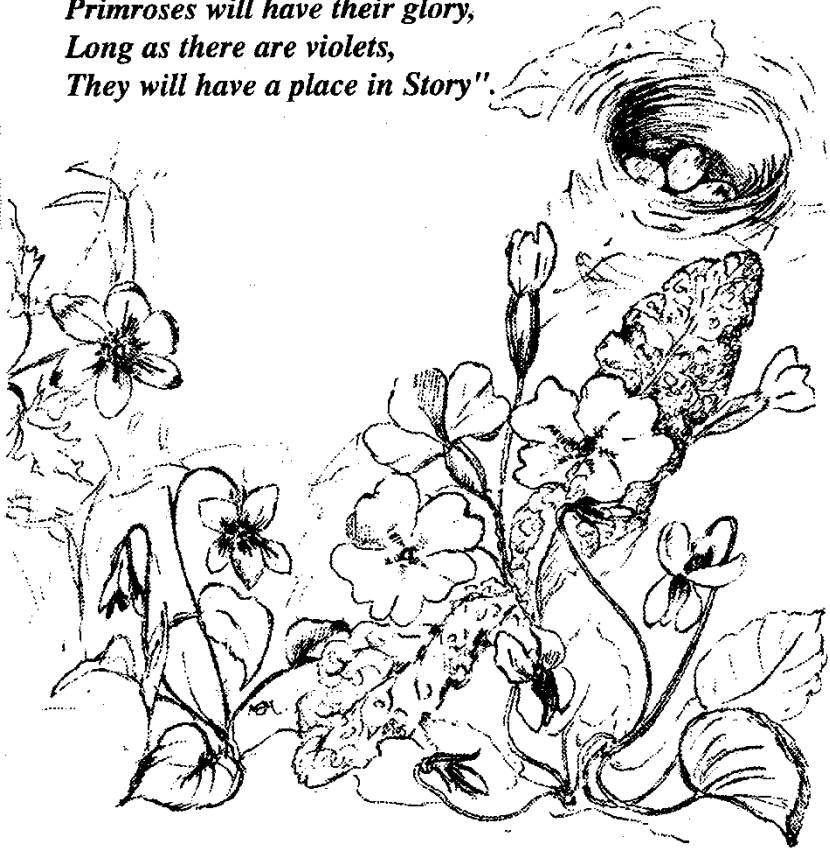


THE
ROUNDAABOUT
CHURCH AND COMMUNITY MAGAZINE

*"Long as there's a sun that sets,
Primroses will have their glory,
Long as there are violets,
They will have a place in Story".*



MARCH 2019

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TAKING CARE OF GOD'S GIFT

Our care for the environment and for all that God has created is an obligation for us as Christians. One of our missions is 'to strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth.' What we now know about climate change and the impact we humans make on the world we live in means that it is imperative that we take this responsibility seriously. The Earth is our home. It is beautiful beyond words. It is God's gift to us and so we must take care of it! The Psalmist reminds us that: 'The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.' (Psalm 24:1)

President Barack Obama recently said: "For the sake of our children and our future, we must do more to combat climate change ... we must act before it's too late." He was not seeking to be alarmist in saying this but reminding us that climate change is already affecting agriculture, water resources, forests, wildlife, and coastal areas and also having a serious detrimental impact on human health.

We need to be more responsible, more faithful and more diligent in the way we care for God's creation. Firstly a clean environment is essential for healthy living. Secondly, as the overall temperature of Earth's atmosphere and oceans increases so too does the frequency of dangerous weather patterns and devastating storms. As stewards of what God has given us, we have a responsibility for future generations. We cannot deny that the way we live is stoking up problems for our children, grandchildren and all who follow after us. Biodiversity is important and we know that human activities are having a negative impact on it. Finally, it matters because the way we treat the environment also mirrors the way we treat each other. Mahatma Gandhi the Indian civil rights activist once said: "What we are doing to the forests of the world is a mirror reflection of what we are doing to ourselves and to one another."

So what might it look like to show that we care about the environment? I have found these three simple words helpful as I have thought about this. **The three Rs: reduce, reuse, and recycle.** Those are three words we might think about this Lent.

(Part of a message from Peter Hancock, Bishop of Bath and Wells)

PRAYER FOCUS

As we consume the earth's finite resources at an ever increasing rate, with potentially catastrophic consequences, we pray that we can indeed "reduce, reuse and recycle" in our use of our environment. As the slogan says "There is no Planet B".

BIBLE READINGS

3 rd March	Exodus 34:29-end	Luke 9: 28-36
6 th March	Isaiah 58: 1-12	John 8: 1-11
10 th March	Romans 10: 8b-13	Luke 4: 1-13
17 th March	Genesis 15: 1-12, 17-18	Luke 13: 31-end
24 th March	Isaiah 55: 1-9	Luke 13: 1-9
31 st March	1 Samuel 1: 20-end	John 19: 25b-27

PRAYER MEETINGS IN THE BENEFICE

Do come and pray with us:

Morning Meetings:

Croscombe every morning at 8.30am in the Church Room

Pilton Wednesday morning at 9.00am in the Church

N. B. – differences : Evening Meetings:

Pilton Wednesday 13th March at The Parish Church at 7.00pm (before the PCC meeting)

Dinder Wednesday 27th March at Sharcombe Farm at 6.00pm.

BENEFICE MID-WEEK HOLY COMMUNION

The midweek Benefice Holy Communion Service in North Wootton will continue on Thursdays at 12.15pm during March.

BENEFICE DISCUSSION GROUP

We continue to meet in North Wootton fortnightly on a Monday morning at 10.30am. Currently we are studying St John's Gospel. Meetings in March are 4th and 18th. For further details please ring Andrew Pugh (890535) or Chris Butler (899061).

SEVICES FOR 7th April. 5th Sunday of Lent

9.30am	Holy Communion	Dinder
11.00am	Family Service	Pilton
11.00am	Morning Service	Croscombe
11.00am	Holy Communion	North Wootton

LENT COURSE 2019 - 'THE GREATEST SHOWMAN'

Our Lent course is for members of the Benefice and anyone interested who would like to consider some of the issues raised in this film. We watch excerpts during the meetings and use material from the book 'From Now On' by Rachel Mann. Copies of the book will be available from Rev. Chris.

Not everyone will have seen the film so we are providing a

SHROVE TUESDAY 'TASTER'

Tuesday 5th March – 7.00pm

in Pilton Parish Church.

Come and watch 'The Greatest Showman'

We will be providing light refreshments in the Interval to help you enjoy the sweet and chocolate snacks that you might be going to give up during Lent! There will be no charge for the film. Everyone is welcome.

LENT COURSE DATES and VENUES

5 Weeks from the week beginning 11th March

Mondays 2.30 – 4.00pm at the home of Joan Chambers

Sharcombe Farm, **Dinder**, BA5 3PF (672563)

Wednesdays 2.00 – 3.30pm at the home of David and Janet Dowding

Livadia, Fayreway, **Croscombe**, BA5 3RQ (330725)

Thursdays 7.30 – 9.00pm at the home of John and Daphne Cannock

Longacre, Worthy Lane, **Pilton**, BA4 4BY (890395)

You will be very welcome at any of these venues but please sign up on the forms in the churches to let the hosts know probable numbers attending and to enable me to order enough books. *Rev. Chris*

ASH WEDNESDAY, 6th March

This is the traditional start of Lent, the season leading up to Easter. In the Benefice there will be two Communion services which will include an opportunity for ashing. This is an ancient tradition when ashes are made out of last year's palm crosses and the sign of the cross is made on people's foreheads. It is a symbolic reminder of our need for God's forgiveness in our lives.

Holy Communion and Ashing: Pilton Parish Church 11.00am

Holy Communion and Ashing: Dinder Church 7.30pm

MOTHERING SUNDAY SERVICES, 31st MARCH

There will be special services in our parish churches to celebrate mothers, families and being part of the Christian family on Sunday 31st March at 10.00am at Dinder, 11.00am at Croscombe and North Wootton and 3.00pm at Pilton.

There will be some of the traditions associated with Mothering Sunday, like Simnel Cake and bunches of flowers, and some new ideas. Everyone is part of the Church family so do come along whether or not you come with children.

ABOUT PEOPLE

We are glad to welcome new people to our villages. We hope that you settle happily and we look forward to meeting 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.

Baptism

Welcome to: **Margo Valerie Rose White** who was baptised in St John the Baptist Church, Pilton on 3rd February.

Funerals

A service for **Eric Hatt** of Pilton was held at Mendip Crematorium on 31st January.

The Funeral Service of **John Vosper** was held in Croscombe Church on 31st January followed by Committal at Mendip Crematorium.

The Funeral Service of **Pat Eddy** took place in North Wootton Church on 15th February. She will be buried at St Minver in Cornwall.

THANKS

Thank you to the young lady who, on a very snowy Friday night, rescued and looked after the pony on Boards Lane, Croscombe.

Roger Oatley

The Roundabout team would like to thank Croscombe OAP and Children's Fund and an anonymous donor for their kind donations towards the costs of 'Roundabout'.

WHAT'S ON IN PILTON

March

4 th History Group, "Men of Mendip Go to Fight the Zulu", Village Hall	7.30pm
5 th 'The Greatest Showman', Pilton Parish Church (See details on page 5)	7.00pm
6 th Ash Wednesday Communion, Pilton Parish Church	11.00am
6 th Happy Circle, 'The Hare, history, nature and folklore' Brian Wright, PVMC	2.00pm
6 th Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall	7.30pm
9 th Village Litter Pick, Village Hall	9.00am
11 th Pilton Show Meeting, Village Hall	7.00pm
13 th Prayer Meeting, Parish Church	7.00pm
13 th PCC Meeting, Parish Church	7.30pm
14 th Art Group Talk, Village Hall	2.00pm
14 th Lent Group, Longacre BA4 4BY	7.30pm
15 th Guitar and Harp-Guitar Concert, Parish Church	7.30pm
18 th W.I. 'Coffee and Coffins', Village Hall	7.30pm
20 th Happy Circle, 'Somerset Landscapes and Buildings' Richard Raynsford, PVMC	2.00pm
21 st Lent Group, Longacre BA4 4BY	7.00pm
23 rd Jumble Sale, in aid of Bhopal Medical Appeal Village Hall	2.00 – 4.00pm
25 th W.I. 'Call in for a Cuppa', Village Hall	7.30pm
28 th Lent Group, Longacre BA4 4BY	7.00pm



PILTON VILLAGE HISTORY GROUP
Monday 4th March, 7.30pm in the Village Hall

"Men of Mendip Go to Fight the Zulu"

Andy Sanders will tell of the deeds of shame and valour that took place some 140 years ago.

This is the story of British officials, the military and their arrogance in deciding to overthrow a nation and by completely underestimating their opponents, receiving the biggest defeat in the history of the British Empire.

Caught up in the middle of all this were some local men from Mendip fighting for their very survival.

Come and hold a Martini Henry rifle or a Zulu Assegai !



Save the Children

I have just received lemon curd, lemon, clementine and Seville marmalades, also jams and chutneys (but not the usual strawberry, raspberry or blackcurrant). Please ring me on 676991. I can deliver to Pilton if required.

Lysbeth Ballantine

PILTON PARISH COUNCIL

The next Village Litter Pick will take place on **Saturday 9th March** meeting at **9.00am** outside the Village Hall. Everyone is welcome, and refreshments will be provided afterwards.

The Police will be teaming up with the Community Speedwatch Team twice a month so please watch your speed; you have been warned!

Karen Buckley Pilton Parish Clerk piltonparishclerk@yahoo.com

FOSSEWAY GARDENING CLUB

Tuesday 12th March – 7.30pm

The Answer Lies in the Soil – David Usher

Pylle Village Hall

Our programme includes horticultural talks, garden visits, plant sales and social events.

Details from Barbara Cary (860438) or Janet Fulford (331306).

PILTON VILLAGE W.I. INVITE YOU TO

“CALL IN FOR A CUPPA”

Monday 25th March 2.00 – 4.00pm

Pilton Village W.I. invite you to join them on Monday 25th March between 2.00 and 4.00pm at Pilton Post Office in the Village Hall for a cuppa, cake and a chat.

Everybody is welcome, and we look forward to seeing you.

THE FESTIVAL RUN 20/10/19. (2km,5km,10km). Details for registration coming soon. Volunteers required.

Please email thefestivalrun@gmail.com

Jason Turner

Richard Raynsford will be giving an illustrated talk on
ART OF THE DUTCH GOLDEN AGE
at Pilton Village Hall
on Thursday 14th March – 2.00pm start

This will be based on a trip to the Netherlands where Richard visited many of the important museums. It will concentrate on the 17th Century but will also include earlier Dutch artists such as Hans Memling and works by Van Gogh; the main artists featured will be Rembrandt, Van Meereen, Frans Hals and Jan Steen. The talk will cover all the main genre of this age including religious subjects, still life, scenes from everyday life, maritime scenes and portraits, including the famous group portraits of militia such as Rembrandt's "Night Watch".

Not to be missed. Hosted by Pilton Art Group.
Refreshments. £2 entrance.



GUITAR and 'HARP-GUITAR' CONCERT
TO CELEBRATE ST PATRICK'S DAY
featuring **Jon Pickard**
in the **Parish Church of St John the Baptist, Pilton**
Friday 15th March 7.30pm

Doors open 7.00pm

Tickets £8 on the door (portion to Church Funds)

Refreshments available (by donation)

A beautiful mix of music from Classical and Spanish Guitar favourites to music inspired by St Patrick and St Tugual, and other Irish folk themes played on the amazing 23 string 'Harp-Guitar' – an instrument with a fascinating history, an incredible sound and an exciting future.

Any queries contact Jenny on 890465

JUMBLE SALE in aid of the **BHOPAL MEDICAL APPEAL.**
Saturday 23rd March 2.00-4.00pm in Pilton Village Hall

Donations such as household goods, clothes, toys, etc, welcome on the day between 10.00am and noon or call 899125 in advance.

Fiona Case

Village Voices Choir meets every Tuesday evening in term time at 7.30pm in the Methodist Church on Top Street, Pilton. Please come along and give it a try.
Emma Wheat

CALLING ALL VILLAGERS – AND BARGAIN HUNTERS!

SECOND ANNUAL 'PILTON JUMBLE TRAIL' on MONDAY 6th MAY, raising much needed funds for the Children's World charity.

After the huge success of last year's inaugural event, we're hoping for more stalls, more fun and more sunshine. Full details in Roundabout next month.

Please do get in touch if you'd like to get involved; we're also planning to have a steering committee meeting at PWMC before the end of March. **Call in at Laurel Cottage, Shop Lane or contact me on 07748 353919.**

John Shearlaw

PILTON FLOWER SHOW September 7th and 8th

Sowing – and sewing – time starts now for Pilton Show! Entries from all ages are encouraged.

Copies of the Schedule will soon be available online on the Pilton Show website www.piltonflowershow.org.uk or in the lobby of Pilton Village Hall.

More information concerning the Show follows in the April edition of Roundabout.



Our Safe Families For Children volunteers provide a range of support to families. You could become a Volunteer and make a difference in a local family's life. In most cases it only takes an hour a week for 3-6 months.

We are developing a network of volunteers across South Somerset and Mendip and would love to hear from people who may be interested in befriending and supporting a local family. For more information, please contact: Dawn Holmes (dawnholmes@safefamiliesforchildren.com 07384 218826) www.safefamiliesforchildren.com

NB Dawn will be speaking at the service in the Methodist Church on 17th March at 11.00am.

WHAT'S ON IN DINDER AND DULCOTE

March

1 st	First Friday Bar and Games Evening, Village Hall	7.30pm
3 rd	Dinder and Croscombe Cricket Club Quiz. The George Inn, Croscombe	8.00pm
6 th	Ash Wednesday Communion and Ashing, in Church	7.30pm
11 th	Lent Group, Sharcombe Farm BA5 3PF	2.30pm
17 th	Sunday Bar - coffee and drinks in the Village Hall	12noon
18 th	Lent Group, Sharcombe Farm BA5 3PF	2.30pm
25 th	Lent Group, Sharcombe Farm BA5 3PF	2.30pm
27 th	Prayer Group, Sharcombe Farm BA5 3PF	6.00pm
29 th	Ceilidh and Buffet, Village Hall - tickets £12 [see separate notice for details]	7.30pm
31 st	Mothering Sunday Service at the Church	10.00am

Every Friday Coffee morning in the Village Hall - all welcome
11.00am - 12.30pm

DINDER CEILIDH

Dinder Ceilidh and delicious finger buffet: Saturday 29th March from 7.30 to 10.15pm in Dinder Village Hall. 'One Step' a brilliant local Irish band, and caller, will guide you through the fun dances whether beginner or advanced. Limited tickets at £12 including food. Contact Jill (689112) or Margaret (674943) to book now. Our great value bar will be open too.

Geoff Procter (Dinder Social Committee Chair)

THE ARTS SOCIETY, MENDIP

5th March **'The English face unmasked – 5 centuries of portrait technique'** by Sarah Cove, one of Britain's foremost Technical Art Historians. The Arts Society Mendip meets at the Bath and West Show Ground, Shepton Mallet, BA4 6QN at 11am. Details: www.theartssocietymendip.org.uk Guests welcome. Contact 01934 862435.

21st March Day of Special Interest: **"From Magic Lantern to MGM, the story of the development of the cinema and the artists it inspired"**, with Geri Parlby, journalist and film publicist. Croscombe Village Hall, 10.30am to 3.30pm, cost £22. Contact Gill Stobart, 01761 221505 or gill.stobart@btinternet.com

MARCH EVENTS AT OUR VILLAGE PUBS AND CLUBS

THE CROWN INN , PILTON (890762)

thecrowninnpilton@outlook.com

Traditional Village Pub serving local ales and ciders accompanied by good pub food.

Open 7 nights a week: Tuesday - Saturday 6pm - 11.30pm

Sunday/Monday 6.30pm - 10.30pm (food served until 9pm)

Open for Lunch Wednesday - Sunday 12noon - 2.30pm
(food served until 2pm)

Take Away - 7 nights a week 6pm - 9pm
(fish and chips, pizzas, burgers and more)

Traditional Sunday Lunch served every Sunday 12noon - 2pm

Quiz Night last Tuesday of every month - 8pm start

£2 a head to include a snack

Events and Live Music - please see blackboards outside the pub or our facebook page.

PILTON WORKING MEN'S CLUB

This is a non-Members Club **OPEN TO ALL**

Grill nights Fridays 6.30-8.30pm: March 1st, 8th, 29th

(NB No Grill Night 22nd March, private booking)

Sunday Carvery Lunch 12.00-2.00pm: March 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th

March 31st Mothering Sunday Carvery (book early)

March 15th Pie Night

Friday 1st Acoustic Night With 'Jo McNab' (Free!)

Saturday 2nd 'Matt Owens' £3.00

Friday 8th 'Secret Mic Night' with several invited acts (Free!)

Saturday 9th 'Pilton Party Auditions' Heat 2 Door £3.00

Saturday 23rd Race Night

Thursday 28th 'Neggae Reggae Night' (Free!)

Saturday 30th Music & Comedy With 'Matt Black' Piano Man £5.00

Please contact 890162 or piltonvh@gmail.com

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See our website for special events

www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk Telephone: 342306

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Open all day at weekends. Take-away fish and chips.

Thai Night – Second Thursday of every month.

SMALL ADS

BED and BREAKFAST and SELF CATERING STUDIO in CROSCOMBE. Please contact Cathy Hay 343526
cathyhay@yahoo.co.uk www.hillviewcottage.me.uk

Premier Pet Carers. Registered, insured equestrian and pet services. Dog walking and pet sitting. Rug washing/reproofing/repairs; horsebox hire and poo-picking. www.premierpetcarers.co.uk or 07709 739508

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

Daniel's garden maintenance. Lawns cut, seeded, turfed. Hedges cut, garden clearance, Patio-laying, jet-washing, fencing plus fence painting. Weeding. Call Daniel 01749 672832 or 07936583986

Rise and Shine: Maintenance and Window Cleaning, Dave 675636. or 07961 892 014

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Give your garden a treat. 2 year old well-rotted horse manure sold by sack or load. 100% organic. Contact 01749 890582.

Ceilidh and Scottish Country Dancing Tuesdays 7.30-9.30pm Dinder Village Hall. For details call 01749 346243

Domestic cleaning services. For references and details, call 01749 689099 or email pattinson321@yahoo.co.uk

Decluttering, organising and fully certified home staging/styling For all your home organising needs contact Lauren Hill. 07939 662942 mindfulorganising@gmail.com www.mindfulorganising.co.uk

Chimney Clean: Chimney sweep, clean and efficient service est 1985. Please ring Colin on 07596 534861.

Builder Simon Edwards: brickwork, stonework, carpentry, property maintenance. 40 years' experience. Call 07980 578148

House Contents Sale and Giveaway continues at Kismet, (Wells end of) Fayre Way, Crocombe, BA5 3RQ. For more details, visit www.4sale4free.co.uk Or call Ann on 07957 608735.

WHAT'S ON IN CROSCOMBE

March

- 2nd Spring Coffee Morning, Village Hall. 10.00am – 12.30pm
(To support Village Hall Refurbishment Fund)
- 3rd Dinder and Croscombe Cricket Club Quiz. The George 8.00pm
- 9th Spring Charter Market. Village Hall 10.00am – 2.00pm
- 13th Lent Group "Livadia", Fayreway, BA5 3RQ 2.00pm
- 13th Parish Council Meeting. Church Room 7.30pm
- 14th Film@Croscombe. 'Swimming with Men' (12A).
Village Hall 7.00 for 7.30pm
- 19th WI Meeting. SDA Hall 2.00pm
"Five Weddings and a Funeral": Caroline Harbord.
- 20th Lent Group "Livadia", Fayreway, BA5 3RQ 2.00pm
- 21st Senior Citizens' Club. Fish and Chip Lunch 12.30pm
- 27th Lent Group "Livadia", Fayreway, BA5 3RQ 2.00pm
- 27th WI Scrabble. (Details from Helen Cox, 343642)
- 31st Mothering Sunday Service. St. Mary's Church 11.00am

April

- 4th Fitness and Wellbeing Evening. Village Hall 7.00pm – 10.00pm

ST MARY'S CROSCOMBE – NEW WEBSITE

One of Heritage Lottery Fund's requirements for their generous grant towards the cost of the recent roof repairs was the development of a church website to highlight the heritage and historical significance of St Mary's. With the expert help and guidance of Tickbox Marketing (whose MD, Claire Sully, lives in Croscombe) this has now been done - www.stmaryscroscombechurch.org – have a look.

St Mary's Croscombe – Church Room Vacuum Cleaner

Is anyone looking for a good home for a no longer needed vacuum cleaner? We need one for the Church Room in Croscombe to replace the not very efficient, ageing model presently in use.

Please contact Jenny 345405 or Terry 345319 if you can help

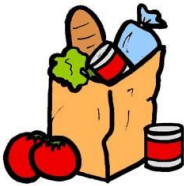
ART CLASSES are now in the Croscombe Church Room, behind the church, every Wednesday at 10.00am – 12noon. If you have never painted and would like to try, or just join friends for a morning sharing and relaxing, we would love to see you. Contact Lyn Manvill on 343733 or 07780661327

SPRING COFFEE MORNING
Saturday 2nd March 10.00 am - 12.30pm
Croscombe Village Hall

Teas, coffees and delicious homemade refreshments will be available. Bring and Buy stall and raffle. All welcome and profits will go to Croscombe Village Hall Refurbishment Fund. We look forward to seeing you.

Alison Hodges

A date for your diaries.... **Thursday 4th April. 7-10 pm** at Croscombe Village Hall. The Fundraising Committee are holding a Wellbeing & Fitness evening. More details to come next month.



CROSCOMBE SPRING MARKET
Saturday 9th March 10.00am – 2.00pm

Celebrate the coming of Spring at our wonderfully vibrant community market. Local artisan produce including honey, cheese, meat, cakes and bakes, preserves, crafts, gifts, and books, plus homemade lunches, tea and cakes, tombola and Easter egg hunt. All welcome. Croscombe Village Hall, Fayreway, BA5 3RA.

If you would like a stall, or for more information, contact Mary Cadogan on 572875 or marylucia.cadogan@gmail.com

Film@Croscombe presents
SWIMMING WITH MEN (12A)
Thursday 14th March at 7.30pm
Croscombe Village Hall
Bar opens at 7pm.



Free raffle to win a bottle of wine!

Swimming with men is a British made comedy starring Rob Brydon, Jim Carter, Rupert Graves and Jane Horrocks. A group of middle-aged men suffering a midlife crisis find new meaning of life as part of an all-male amateur synchronised swimming team. Very funny and a real crowd pleaser of a film. See you there!

GLOBE CARNIVAL CLUB Grand Easter Bingo
at Croscombe Village Hall
Monday, 8th April. Doors open 6.45pm Eyes down 7.30pm
Family Fun £100 jackpot



PILTON VILLAGE W.I.

The business meeting discussed a new start time of 7.15, our educational visit to Burns the Bread (where we are going to be taught how to make bread and Eccles cakes and make our own pasty), and the proposed visit to the historical house and gardens at Malmesbury Abbey in June.

Our speaker, Julie Atterton-Gunn, then introduced her subject "The Emotional Freedom Technique", explaining it as being like acupuncture but without the needles! Julie demonstrated that by tapping certain areas of the face and body and quoting a mantra, you could free up your feelings which helps with all manner of aches and pains through the Meridian lines which flow through your body. She asked for a volunteer and our President was persuaded to take part in a demonstration. After a very stressful day and after a couple of rounds of tapping she said she definitely felt less stressed. We were then asked to find a partner and try it out – quite a few giggles at this stage but everyone agreed that it was very thought provoking and would try it at home as and when the occasion arose.

The subject of our talk in March is "Coffee and Coffins" – very intriguing!

Sheila West

PILTON HAPPY CIRCLE

What do we know? The picture quiz was back to test us and prove that we remember notorious women better than films, we recognise trees more easily than cathedrals and everyone knows comedians - we all need a laugh. Sheila, George, Pauline and Janet won the chocolates and shared them with the group; our type of winners!

Bingo with Audrey and Terry saw several members arrive ready for action armed with highlighters. Winning lines and cries of 'Bingo' meant prizes were shared around the room and bingo nicknames rang out though some, we learned, are no longer acceptable. Thanks to our caller and her glamorous assistant for entertaining us once again.

Liz Elkin

CROSCOMBE SENIOR CITIZENS' CLUB

Our January meeting started on a sad note with a minute's silence for John Vosper, our much-loved past chairman, who had just died. John had been at the forefront of many Croscombe events for over 50 years, so the church was packed for his funeral.

We don't ever book a speaker for January, but Lyn had poems to read, and Iris ran two quizzes. They were based on general knowledge, not sport or pop music, so they were fun to do, and helped burn off a few calories.

Everyone was invited to tick off two places from a list of suggested seaside towns for our outings this year, and Swanage and Sidmouth came out on top. One will be on May 23rd and the other on July 4th. Non-members are more than welcome, at £10 a head. Please come if you can. Iris' number is 343908.

Barbara Lippett

A MESSAGE TO ALL RESIDENTS

Fake emails and texts purporting to be from TV Licensing regarding payment issues have been sent out to try to collect your bank details.

The emails use headlines such as "correct your licensing information" and "your TV licence expires today" in an attempt to convince people to click on the link in the email. The messages contain links to genuine-looking websites that are designed to steal personal and financial information.

While the emails might vary slightly in wording, all of the links direct through to the same fake website, which asks victims to provide their payment details, including their account number, sort code, and card verification value (CVV) code on the back of their card.

The website may also ask for a victim's name, date of birth, address, phone number, email and possibly even their mother's maiden name.

Always question unsolicited requests for your personal or financial information in case it is a scam.

If you get one of these emails, delete it and never automatically click on a link in an unexpected email or text. TV Licensing will never email customers, unprompted, to ask for bank details, personal information or tell you that you may be entitled to a refund.

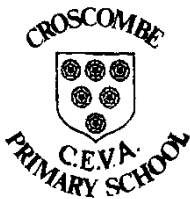


WEST PENNARD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Jonah and the Whale ... a Fishy Tale!

At West Pennard we are very keen to provide opportunities to tap into and develop a range of skills and talents. This year we have introduced more opportunities to develop the performing arts. Our Year 3 and 4 children put on an absolutely fabulous performance of Jonah with children as young as 7 playing main parts. The show had it all: pesky pirates, Spanish dancers, sailors, sunbathers, sea-creatures and of course the star of the show – Jonah! It was clear to see that the children were not short of confidence and the enjoyment on their faces was a joy to see.

Jo Hale, Headteacher



CROSCOMBE CEVA PRIMARY SCHOOL

This term's Collective Worship has been based on the theme of justice. We heard the story of 'Six Blind Men and the Elephant'; each man felt a different part of the elephant's body and each one got a totally different idea of what an elephant would look like. We realised how important it is to see things from every point of view in order to understand and be fair. In another of our acts of Collective Worship Chestnuts class told the Jewish story of The Two Sons. Stories are an excellent way to develop our thoughts and ideas. We are pleased to announce that some of our children have been commended for their poetry work in the Snowdrop Festival Poetry competition which is part of Shepton Mallet's Snowdrop Festival. Just before the half-term holiday we were sorry to say goodbye to Mrs Birkett who has worked with us for many years. She will continue her work as a Somerset County Council SEND adviser; her help and extra support have been greatly appreciated by children and staff.

Steve Heath, Headteacher

THE ARTS SOCIETY, MID SOMERSET

19th March **"Brilliant British Humour in the Forgotten Art of the Picture Postcard, 1909-1939"** by James Taylor. Illustrated lecture, 11.00am, Caryford Hall, Castle Cary, BA7 7JJ, £6. Free parking. Information: 01963 350132.

WELLS REFUGEE ACTION GROUP (WRAG)

WRAG is still collecting donations of winter clothes and equipment at the Wells Town Hall every Friday morning from 10.00am – 11.45am (see our WELLS Refugee Aid Facebook Page for updates).

Urgently needed for Northern France:

MEN's walking boots/trainers sizes 40-43 or 7-9.

MEN's warm jackets and waterproof coats and trousers, thermal leggings, vests, jumpers and hoodies, skinny jeans in SMALL/MEDIUM sizes only please.

Clothes need to be clean and with plenty of wear in them.

Also, sleeping bags and mats, full-sized blankets, tents and tarpaulins.

Deliveries are going to France every 2 weeks from RAFT (Refugee Aid From Taunton) in Taunton, so please keep those donations coming in.

wrag456@gmail.com

RENEWAL OF ELECTORAL ROLLS

The Electoral Rolls are the local adult membership list and should include everyone aged 16 or over who worships in the parish church.

The Roll is open to people who belong to another denomination and who do not think of themselves as having left that other church but are simply now worshipping in the local parish church. They can go onto the Electoral Roll and still remain a member of their other church.

The Roll is revised each year but every sixth year a new Roll is made, and 2019 is one such year. That means that everyone who wishes to be on the new Electoral Roll needs to fill in a new Electoral Roll form and return it to the Electoral Roll officer. Forms will be available in the churches.

If you would like to be on the Electoral Roll of your parish church please take a form and return to that church's **Electoral Roll Officer:**

Pilton: Gill Eavis, Benleigh House, Pylle Road, Pilton BA4 4BR

Croscombe: Janet Dowding, Livadia, Fayreway, Croscombe BA5 3RQ

North Wootton: Clarissa Salmon, Lower Westholme Farm

Dinder: Claire Chivers, The Pound House, Dinder, BA5 3PQ

Dates for return of completed Electoral Roll Forms:

Pilton: Monday 4th March

Croscombe: Monday 4th March

North Wootton: Monday 11th March

Dinder: Monday 4th March

POSTAGE STAMPS

Please remember to save the stamps from your letters, cards and parcels for St Margaret's Somerset Hospice, the R.S.P.B. and South West Children's Hospice. The charities are always grateful for your donations. Stamps can be left at my house - Livadia, Fayre Way, Croscombe. Many thanks.
Janet Dowding



Croscombe Tiddlers – Tiddlers stay and play group is from birth to school age. They meet during term time in Croscombe School hall every Tuesday from 10.00–11.30am. Tea and coffee for adults and snacks for the children are provided as well as a craft activity. £1.00 per family, per session. Come, along and join in, everyone is welcome. Please contact Catharine Little for further information on 346445 or www.facebook.com/croscombetiddlers .

CREATIVE WORKSHOPS TO BOOST YOUR WELL-BEING IN 2019

The Rubbish Art Project @The Art Bank, Shepton Mallet.
We are a recycled art project in the old HSBC bank in Shepton Mallet. Our next exhibition is 'Alice in Rubbish Land' and we are running a series of free workshops for adults to create content for our exhibition launch at Easter.

Workshops run every week until 12th April
Mondays 10.00am-12noon,
Tuesdays 6.00-8.00pm,
Thursdays 1.00-3.00pm.

Kids' After School Club Thursdays 3.30-4.30pm (Age 6+)

Working in partnership with Somerset Skills and learning CIC.
Any questions please email lucy@therubbishartproject.co.uk or call 07814 678356

IT for the TERRIFIED

I.T. for the Terrified provides help with using tablets, smartphones, cameras, computers, and similar devices on a one to one basis. Each informal session of 2 hours costs £10 and is tailored to meet the individual's needs, in a relaxed and friendly way, using their own equipment. Our volunteer trainers can help with most subjects and fully understand that the use of modern technology can be daunting to the newcomer. We can cover android phones, android tablets and iPads, iPhones, Windows and Macs.

If you are a beginner getting started or have some experience and need help with something new, please telephone us 01934 741751 as we will need to book an appointment for you. We meet at Cheddar Village Hall next to St Andrew's Church, Church Street, Cheddar, BS27 3RF. Appointments are essential and cost £10 for a two-hour session, but please ask if there is more than one of you or you have any other requirements.

www.itfortheterrified.co.uk itfortheterrified@btconnect.com

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FOSTERING CHILDREN : Do you have room in your life to help a child who needs it the most? Become a Foster Carer for Somerset: ring 0800 587 9900 or contact us at www.fosteringinsomerset.org.uk .

HOME LIBRARY SERVICE

Bringing library books to the doorstep – the Home Library Service is a free service run in partnership with the Royal Voluntary Service and Somerset's Library Service. It is available to anyone who cannot easily get to the library, often those who are vulnerable or who may have disabilities or mobility needs. This is such a great service for people who love to read but can no longer get to the library. A volunteer will deliver and collect books which the person would like.

If you know someone who would benefit from this service, please contact Kirsty Jenssen, Service Manager for the Somerset Home Library Service, on mobile 07920 250834 or by e-mail on kirsty.jenssen@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk

Parishes of Pilton, Croscombe, North Wootton and Dinder

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Roundabout Representative: Vacancy

PILTON METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES

3 rd March	Steve Derby	11.00am
10 th March	Ken Young	11.00am
17 th March	Dawn Holmes from "Safe Families for Children" United Service	11.00am
24 th March	Revd Michael White	Holy Communion 11.00am
31 st March	Janet Day	11.00am

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

Holy Communion in North Wootton Church
at 12.15pm on Thursdays

Morning Prayer in Pilton Church
at 9.00am on Wednesdays

PARISH CHURCH SERVICES

MARCH 2019

3rd March Sunday next before Lent

9.30am	Holy Communion	Dinder
11.00am	Family Service	Pilton
11.00am	Morning Service	Croscombe
11.00am	Holy Communion	North Wootton

6th March Ash Wednesday

11.00am	Holy Communion and Ashing	Pilton
7.30pm	Holy Communion and Ashing	Dinder

10th March 1st Sunday of Lent

9.30am	Holy Communion	Pilton
11.00am	Holy Communion	Croscombe
11.00am	Family Service	North Wootton
5.30pm	Evensong	Dinder

17th March 2nd Sunday of Lent

9.30am	Holy Communion	North Wootton
11.00am	United Service at the Chapel	Pilton
11.00am	Holy Communion	Dinder
5.30pm	Holy Communion	Croscombe

24th March 3rd Sunday of Lent

11.00am	United Benefice Holy Communion	Croscombe
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31st March Mothering Sunday

10.00am	Mothering Sunday Service	Dinder
11.00am	Mothering Sunday Family Communion	Croscombe
11.00am	Mothering Sunday Service	North Wootton
3.00pm	Mothering Sunday Service	Pilton