

THE
ROUNDAABOUT
CHURCH AND COMMUNITY MAGAZINE

*"Fair on September first,
Fair for the month,
September blows soft,
Tell the fruits in the loft,
St Matthew (September 1st)
Brings cold dew,
St Michael (September 29th)
or Michaelmas Day).*



SEPTEMBER 2014

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TRANSITIONS

A transition is a change from one thing to another. Transition words are those words that connect one idea with another. The most common of these is the simple word 'and'. You will probably be able to think of others that are more complex and specific. Different transitions achieve different things: some allow us to join information together, whilst others enable us to build a description and yet others facilitate the development of an idea. Transition words are useful as we speak and write because they help us to make associations and develop our thinking.

September is a month of transition. For all of us it means a gradual shortening of daylight and a cooling of the air temperature as summer gives way to autumn. For many of us it marks the transition from the summer 'break' and back into a more regular routine. For farmers and gardeners it means a time to harvest as the growing season comes to an end. For those involved in education it is the start of the new school year. For some this will mean a fresh start at a new school or college. For others it will mean a new teacher or a new class to teach.

There are many other transitions in our lives. Perhaps the most obvious of these are the years when we grow up from being a baby, to childhood through the teenage years and then into adulthood. Growth and development are common to all living things in one form or another. This is as true for animals and plants as it is for people. If something is alive, it does not stay the same. As people, we are constantly changing or developing in some way. This is part of what it means to be human.

Our more significant transitions we mark by a 'rite of passage). In the church, a baptism is an important transition for a person's walk of faith. A wedding is a ceremony to mark a decision when one person commits to another person completely. Many of us celebrate our birthday each year, as we acknowledge that we are another year older. In the Bible, God promises that transitions will always be a part of our lives ... *'As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease'* (Gen 8:22). Whatever transitions we may be facing in our lives, God has promised to be with us through them all; and that is a promise that will never change.

Revd Nick Lakin

PRAYER FOCUS

After the lovely summer we have enjoyed, we give thanks for the harvests from our land...the hay and silage, the cereals, the fruit and vegetables...and

for the people who produce these crops. May we appreciate our bountiful land, and show generosity in supporting those charities helping people who are less fortunate than ourselves.

BIBLE READINGS

7 th September	Ezekiel 33: 7-11	Matthew 18: 15-20
14 th September	Genesis 50: 15-21	Matthew 18: 21-35
21 st September	Proverbs 3: 13-18	Matthew 9: 9-13
28 th September	Ezekiel 18: 1-4, 25-end	Matthew 21: 23-32
<i>NB Harvest Readings: Deuteronomy 8: 7-18</i>		<i>Luke 12: 16-30</i>

YOS

We hope you all had a fantastic summer and are looking forward to a new school term. We hope you can join us on September 7th for some fun and games!

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



THE FIRST DAY CAFE

If your child is starting school for the very first time this September, you are invited to take some time out for yourself at the 'First Day Café' in the Church Room behind Croscombe Parish Church.

The 'First Day Café' will be open between 9am and midday on Monday 8th September.

You can be sure of a warm welcome!

For more information please phone Sandra on 342221

OUR NEW PRIEST-IN-CHARGE

Following the recent interviews we are pleased to announce that the Bishop has appointed the Revd Christine Butler (currently Assistant Curate in the Benefice of Cheddar, Draycott and Rodney Stoke) as Priest-in-Charge of Pilton with Croscombe, North Wootton and Dinder.

Christine will move to Pilton Rectory in October and we are planning a licensing service to welcome her on Wednesday 22nd October at 7.00pm.

We will hold Christine in our prayers as she prepares to move and begin a new ministry with us.

The Churchwardens



HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICES

We are all fortunate in these parishes that we have the basics of life.. access to clean water and sufficient food... so we tend to accept this as being “the norm”. However, many people are not so fortunate, and Harvest Thanksgiving Services are times to reflect on this situation, to give thanks to God and to remember all those involved in food production and the supply of drinking water.

Each church has a Harvest Thanksgiving Service, when the churches will be beautifully decorated. Whether you often come to church or not, you are most welcome to come to one of the services.

The Harvest Services are:

Pilton Methodist Church	Sunday 21 st September	11.00am
Croscombe Parish Church	Sunday 21 st September	11.00am
Dinder Parish Church	Sunday 28 th September	11.00am
Pilton Parish Church	Sunday 5 th October	11.00am
North Wootton Parish Church	Sunday 12 th October	11.00am

We do hope to see you at one of these services.

HARVEST CELEBRATIONS AT PILTON

On **Sunday 21st September** Harvest Celebrations at **The Methodist Church** will follow their well-established pattern: 11.00am Harvest Service and at

6.30pm the Harvest Sale. **Gifts** of produce will be gratefully received on **Saturday morning, 20th September** and during the service.

We would be very grateful to receive gifts for the Harvest Service on **Sunday 5th October** at 11.00am at **The Parish Church** and would appreciate tins or packets to give to the Bristol Methodist Centre and the Salvation Army. We hope that there will be lots of donations to support the valuable work of these two groups.

Gifts to illustrate the Harvest of the Fields (flour-based items, pasta etc.), the Harvest of the Garden (tinned vegetables etc.), the Harvest of the Orchard (tinned fruit etc.) and the Harvest of the Sea (tinned fish etc.) can be left in the church before 11.00am on **Saturday 4th October**. Any tinned or dried goods will be gratefully received.



PILTON HARVEST LUNCH

SUNDAY 5th OCTOBER

At 12.30 pm

**AT PILTON WORKING MEN'S CLUB
AND VILLAGE HALL**

Adults £8, Primary-aged children £4

Tickets are available from: Gill Eavis (890468), Hilary Austin (890561)
or Eileen Govier (890436).

Mobile Library Service – changes in visiting days and times

Please note that the Mobile Library Van has changed the day to Fridays when it calls in Pilton and Croscombe. For details of times please see the 'What's On' pages.

This service is under threat of reduction/closure. Please do make use of the facility and help ensure we keep the Mobile Library coming to our villages.

Enquiries about the service to 0845 3459117

or www.somerset.gov.uk/mobilelibrary



Traidcraft - Open House

on Friday 19th September
from 10.00am until 9.00pm

at Anthony and Hilary Austin's, The Brambles, Pilton (tel. no: 890561).
The new catalogues are now available with a wide selection of Christmas
cards and gifts to choose from, as well as other Traidcraft products.
Bring a friend and come and have a coffee and a chat.



Save the Children

PILTON and DISTRICT GROUP

Do come for coffee/tea and bring a friend on **Tuesday 16th September**
from 10.00am-12.30pm and 2.00-6.00 pm
at Summerlane Cottage, West Compton.

Christmas cards and wrap, marmalade and chutney, handmade craft items.
For further information or alternative dates telephone 890 387.

PRAYER AND A PINT

will be starting again in October.
Look out for details of new developments
in the magazines and on posters.
Maybe a new title,
maybe a new evening in the month,
maybe a new venue



SOLAR "FARM" on WORMINSTER DOWN

Planning permission is sought to cover Worminster Down, the 114-acre top of
Launcherly Hill, with 60,000 solar panels for thirty years.
The site is clearly visible from the Old Wells Road by Dungeon Farm and
from other Mendip high points. The green-topped hill would be industrialised
into a 'power station' set in wide open country.

Mendip District Council designate the site a (rare) Special Landscape Feature. Two footpaths cross the top; one, the Monarch's Way, is a Heritage footpath, allegedly Charles II's escape route after the 1651 Battle of Worcester. The footpaths would be surrounded by solar panels, 8ft 8ins high (roughly the height of a single-decker bus), completely obscuring spectacular views of the Mendip Hills, the Levels and beyond.

The relevant Parish Council, St Cuthbert Out, have recommended refusal. We need to persuade Mendip District Council to do the same.

And, of course, Worminster is the home of the legendary thirteenth-century Worminster 'Dragon'! Infamous for eating village children, he was slain by Bishop Jocelyn on Palace Fields. Who wants a grumpy dragon?

Come to a Public Meeting: **Dinder Village Hall**
Wednesday 3rd September at 7.00 p.m.

Ferelith Drummond

Fosseway Gardening Club

Tuesday 9th September

Pylle Village Hall (The old School on A37)

British Wild Orchids – Dr Anne Bebbington

New members always welcome.

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

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

Pilton Tithe Barn Trustees invite you to a

MICHAELMAS FEAST

Food, Fairies and Frolics

At Pilton Tithe Barn – 27th September

Medieval Costume please

Tickets £35 each

Available from Rachel Rogers, Park View, Pilton

01749 890 735

THE BELLS OF ST MARY'S

One of the duties of a churchwarden is to ensure that the church is inspected every five years (the Quinquennial Inspection) by the appointed church architect. This was last done at St Mary's in 2011. One of the items highlighted was the condition of the bells which were last refurbished almost a hundred years ago. Croscombe residents will see from the brochure enclosed within this month's Roundabout that we are about to tackle this major project. The Friends of St Mary's, with the full backing of the PCC, have agreed to take the lead in fund raising.

The brochure should tell you all you need to know about the history of the bells, what needs to be done and, of course, the cost of the whole procedure! We shall be running fund-raising events over the next year or so and have applied for grants from several sources. The recent good news is that Viridor have agreed to give a grant towards the work.

While the refurbishment is in progress we intend to use the time the bells are down to attend to the clock mechanism. At present it is impossible to 'get at' the workings to rebalance the hands, clean out the rubble and dust of ages as well as many other jobs.

We are very lucky to have a keen band of ringers here at St Mary's who are willing to pass on their knowledge to others. We do hope you feel able to support the cause so that the historic "Bells of St Mary" can ring out over the parish of Croscombe for at least another hundred years.

The Croscombe Churchwardens

FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S, CROSCOMBE

'Friday Night is Music Night'

Friday 26th September 7.30 pm in Croscombe Church Room

We are delighted to invite you to come and listen to a selection of recorded music. This month Terry is entertaining us with a programme of "Big Band Jazz" from the 1920's to the 2000's. Programme notes will be supplied. Wine and tea/coffee and nibbles served after the music. The programme usually lasts about an hour.

Because space is limited, admittance is **by ticket only**. These are available from the Churchwardens (345405 or 345222) and are free to Friends, £2 to others.

AND A Date for your Diary.

On Saturday 18th October at 7.30 pm Jim and Suzanne Swainson and friends will give a concert of string music in St Mary's ranging from Handel and Mozart to Scott Joplin ragtime. This is in aid of the Bells Restoration Fund. Details next month.

CROSCOMBE AND DINDER FROLICS

A reminder that our auditions for panto will be held at the SDA Church Hall on Monday 1st September at 7pm.

If you wish to be involved in any way, we will be pleased to see you there.

Scenery Painter needed!

We are sorry to be saying goodbye to our scenery painter, Dinah Critchley, as she leaves the area. If you can spare a week in February and would like to help us please contact Eve Harris on 343194.

CROSCOMBE AUTUMN CHARTER MARKET
Saturday 13th September 10.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon
in Crocombe Village Hall

This Autumn Market will be our first one in which we support ‘**The Avalon School Hydrotherapy Pool Appeal**’. A representative from Avalon School in Street will be attending the Market with more information about the project which will not only benefit pupils attending the school but also will be a facility for members of the local community.

There will be lots of lovely items on sale including textiles, jewellery, wooden items, cards, books, plants, bric-a-brac, cakes, jams, chutneys, sauces, honey and other local produce. Refreshments will be on sale too so please do come along and enjoy a relaxing morning with friends and neighbours and help us to raise valuable funds to support this very worthy cause.

We look forward to seeing you.

Elaine Watson (Co-ordinator)

CROSCOMBE OAP and CHILDREN’S FUND HARVEST AUCTION

We hope you all enjoyed the trip to Swanage (apologies for the slight hiccup!!).

We are now gearing our thoughts towards the Christmas OAP dinner and children’s party. To help fund both these events, our **Harvest Auction** will be held on **Saturday 20th September in The George Inn commencing at 8pm.**

This is always a very enjoyable evening with lovely home-produced goods, along with some more unusual items! Donations will be gratefully received at The George during the morning. We look forward to seeing you there.

Alison Hodges (Treasurer)



DULCOTE and DINDER FLOWER SHOW

Saturday 6th September– 2.30 pm – Dinder Village Hall

Flowers – Vegetables – Cakes – Preserves – Eggs – Bread – Handicrafts –
Photographs - Scarecrows

Plenty of classes, so get your entries ready!

All residents of Dulcote and Dinder should have received a schedule – but if you haven’t, or you need any further information, please contact Ros Comer on 679468.

‘DINDER HARVEST FROLICS’
Saturday 27th September 7.00pm Dinder Village Hall
Tickets: £8.00 Adults: £4.00 children

Come and join us for an evening of fun and dancing! There will be a harvest ploughman’s supper followed by dancing to the ‘Steve Abbott Band’. This is a family event and children are warmly welcome. Book tickets early as this will be a popular occasion!

Please contact Margaret Bancroft (674943) or Jill Gibbons (689112) to book and pay for tickets, and advise of any dietary requirements.

DINDER and CROSCOMBE CRICKET CLUB

Cricket Fixtures for September.

Sunday 7 th September	Witham Friary	2.00pm	Away
Sunday 14 th September	Frome Incidentals	2.00pm	Home
Sunday 21 st September	Batcombe	12.00noon	Away

The Club’s popular **Quiz Nights and raffle** will commence on **Sunday 5th October** starting at 8.00pm at The George Inn, Croscombe.

Teams of up to 4 : £2.00 per person. Everyone welcome.

Roy Thorne Hon. Sec.

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.

WEDDINGS

Congratulations to **Natasia Gould and Thomas Lewis** who were married in Pilton Church on 26th July.

DEATHS

The cremated remains of **Alice Collett** of Ledbury, formerly of Dinder, were interred in Dinder Churchyard on 24th August.

The cremated remains of **Brian and Joy Hampson**, of Weston-Super-Mare and with connections in North Wootton and Pilton, were interred in Pilton Cemetery on 25th August.

We are sad to record the deaths of **David Phillips** and **Sukey Erland**, both of Pilton, and we send our loving sympathy to their families and close friends.



EAST BURFORD GARDENS

Christopher and Lindsay Bond would like to thank the hundreds of local people who came to their Open Garden on 13th and 14th July, and Tony Bailey and Roger Noble who prepared the garden and the many more who stewarded the event, baked the cakes and served the teas.

The sun shone and the visitors enjoyed themselves walking around the formal and informal gardens, in the sun and the shade, eating scones and cake with tea, and buying plants and crafts. £2890 was raised for National Garden Scheme Charities such as Help the Hospices, and a further £500 for Macmillan Cancer – thank you very much.

NEWS AND THANK YOU

It's now nearly a year since Madron and I left. We have settled well into our new home in Castle Cary. The church has been very welcoming and I am thoroughly enjoying being able to sit with Madron in the pews on a Sunday morning. I am occasionally taking services here and in other places around but am determined to now be part of the local congregation and not simply a peripatetic priest. We've also spent time on Iona this year. Madron did housekeeping at the Abbey for two months and then later I led a week and spent another as Member in Residence. We've just got back from spending Community Week together there.

We were very grateful for the generous gift that you gave us when we left. It meant, among other things, that we were able to fit out our sitting room and spare bedroom more quickly and to a better standard than if it had been simply my rudimentary carpentry. Despite our attempts at thinning them out, I still had a lot of books to shelve! And we have equipped ourselves with a smaller stereo, as befits a smaller house.

I hope that you will make Christine Butler as welcome as you did us when we arrived, and that you enjoy her ministry in the four parishes.

David Osborne

DINDER CHURCH GARDEN PARTY

The Parochial Church Council of Dinder and Dulcote would like to thank everyone who was involved in the Garden Party on 10th August. A grand total for the day was £1,000! This was made up of takings on the day and donations to the church building fund. There are many who helped make the day a success, by baking scones and cakes, donating raffle prizes, decorating the church, helping on the day and attending the event. Thanks to all. Particular thanks to Ros and Michael Comer for co-ordinating the event.

The reason for holding the party is that every five years the church is required to have a structural survey which lists the work needed to keep the building in good order. The current estimate for repairs and essential maintenance work is £20,000 which has to be funded by the congregation. To achieve nearly 5% of that total on Sunday has been a huge incentive to us as we look for ways of raising the rest. We cannot thank everyone enough!

CROSCOMBE OAP and CHILDREN'S FUND

We have received an anonymous donation of £30. We would like to say thank you and it is much appreciated.

Alison Hodges (Treasurer)

EVENTS AT OUR VILLAGE PUBS AND CLUB

The George Inn, Crocombe

Every Wednesday – Steak night 2 steaks for £22.95

Every Friday Wood-fired pizza 6-8pm

Last Thursday Curry Night 6-9pm (advance booking £11.95)

Saturday September 6th – Group cycle ride 10.00 am 30 miles no charge

Live English Folk Music and Open Mic. 7.30-11.00 pm Visiting guests Tim Graham and Rose Lippet: "The magical calibre of Tim's accomplished touch on the guitar and the natural simplicity of Rose's archetypal 'folk vocal' is a rare and treasured combination". Contact The George Inn for details.

Pilton Working Men's Club

Sunday September 7th - Evening Carvery 4.30pm - 7pm.

Saturday September 13th - Horse Race Night 7pm for 8pm Tickets £5 including Light Ploughmans. In aid of Alice's World Challenge Expedition. More details ring Trish 890442.

Sunday September 14th - Evening Bingo 7pm - 7.30pm.

Sunday September 21st - Carvery Lunch 12noon - 2.30pm.

Friday September 26th - James Findlay Acoustic Evening 8pm £2.50.

Sunday September 28th - Carvery Lunch 12noon - 2.30pm.

Saturday Morning Breakfast from September 13th 8.30am - 10.30am.

Please book early for Carvery Lunches to avoid disappointment.

Further details about events, please contact Ann (evenings 890162).

Date for the diary Saturday October 4th Cabaret Evening.

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 2 char-grilled steaks.

Every Sunday – Great Roast Lunches straight from the oven.

Main Course £7.00, 2 courses £10.00.

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

Beauty Therapy in the comfort of your own home: waxing, eyelash and eyebrow treatments, manicures, pedicures, shellacs and spray tanning. Sophie.Smallwood@yahoo.com or 07748338745

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Fionna Roberts PCH; Classical Homeopath, BA Hons, RSHom 15 years experience. Clinics in East Pennard & Wells, 01749 890636, fionna@fionnaroberts.co.uk, www.fionnaroberts.co.uk

Jen's English Tuition www.jenstuition.co.uk Qualified English teacher: private classes in Wells and local area 07582192380 jjtutoring@hotmail.co.uk

Vintage Swedish rag rugs and linen. Jane Diamond. Tel: 07876573492
www.thenorthernhouse.co.uk

Lady Cleaner and General Helper available in Pilton 01749 899404

Private Carer/Companion – daily, weekly, respite, over-night or weekend care for elderly. Mature, kind and experienced local lady. Enquiries: 07852 515 037

Save Money on your Utility Bills: call Jude on 01749 899588 or 07950044259 for a free consultation.

WHAT'S ON IN CROSCOMBE

September

1 st Auditions for Frolics Pantomime. S.D.A. Hall	7.00pm
8 th First Day Café - Church Room	9.00am – 12noon
10 th Senior Citizens' Club Outing to Sidmouth. From The George	9.00am
10 th Parish Council Meeting. Church Room	7.30pm
12 th Mobile Library. NEW TIMES Honeymead	11.20am – 11.30am
The George Inn	11.35am – 11.45am
13 th Autumn Charter Market Village Hall	10.00am – 12noon
16 th W.I. Meeting. Liz Price – The Outreach Service. S.D.A. Hall	2.00pm
18 th Senior Citizens' Club. Ben Gait, Chiropractor. S.D.A. Hall	2.15pm
20 th Harvest Auction. The George Inn	8.00pm
21 st Harvest Festival. St. Mary's Church	11.00am
24 th W.I. Scrabble. (Details from Helen Cox, 343642)	
25 th Moviola Film Night. "Calvary" (15) Village Hall	7.00pm for 7.30pm
26 th "Friday Night is Music Night". Church Room	7.30pm
28 th Sunday Club. Church Room	11.00am

October

5 th Dinder & Croscombe Cricket Club Quiz Night. The George	8.00pm
16 th Croscombe Society AGM Village Hall	7.30pm

(followed by a presentation by Dr Chris Howes MRCGP on the workings of the medical charity Festival Medical Services).



ST MARY'S CROSCOMBE HARVEST FESTIVAL

Our Harvest Thanksgiving Service this year is at 11 am on Sunday 21st September. Gifts of foodstuff and produce to help decorate the church will be gratefully received **before 10.30 am on Saturday 20th September.** (Please note there is a wedding in St Mary's at 1.30 pm.) If it is more convenient, non-perishables goods can be left in Church earlier in the week. The goods will be delivered to Grace Harris House in Shepton Mallet the following week. They are always very grateful for our yearly gift.

The Churchwardens

WHAT'S ON IN PILTON

September

- 1st Pilton Show Meeting, Pavilion
- 3rd Happy Circle, Concert and Quiz, PWMC 2.00pm
with Flute (Adelaide Brown) and Keyboard (Clare Sydenham)
- 3rd Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall 7.00pm
- 5th, 6th, 7th Pilton Show Weekend
- 8th History Group, Perridge House, meet at Village Hall Car Park at 6.50pm
- 10th Church Council Meeting, Parish Church 7.30pm
- 12th Mobile Library, Top Street Car Park 2.35 – 2.50pm
West Compton House 3.00 – 3.10pm
- 13th Ramblers, Village Hall Car Park 2.00pm
- 15th Pilton Village W.I., Village Hall 7.30pm
Themed Evening with Food, Music and Dress
- 16th SCF Christmas cards etc, 10.00am–12.30pm and 2.00 – 6.00pm
Summerlane Cottage, West Compton
- 17th Happy Circle Outing
- 19th Traidcraft, Open House, The Brambles, Barrow Lane 10.00am-9.00pm

October

- 1st Happy Circle
- 1st Parish Council Meeting

PILTON VILLAGE HISTORY GROUP

On **8th September** **Pilton Village History Group** will be visiting Perridge House by kind permission of the owners.

Meet at the Village Hall car park at 6.50pm to share transport.

Richard Raynsford (Secretary)



PILTON RAMBLERS will be heading to Upper Milton, Wookey Hole and Ebbor Gorge on **Saturday 13th September** for a five and a half mile, circular walk at a leisurely pace. If you would like to join them, they will meet (for car sharing) at Pilton Village Hall car park at **2.00 pm**. If you would prefer to meet at the starting point of the walk in

Ash Lane, Wells, please let them know.

John Wheat 890585

WHAT'S ON IN DINDER AND DULCOTE

September

3 rd	Meeting "Solar farm at Worminster Down"	Village Hall	7.00 pm
5 th	The Friday Bar	Village Hall	open from 7.30 pm
6 th	Dulcote and Dinder Flower Show	Village Hall	2.30 pm
	Presentation of prizes by Rev. Lydia Avery at 4.00 pm		
7 th	YOS	Village Hall	6.00-7.30 pm
12 th , 13 th	Neighbourhood Plan draft policies exhibition	Village Hall	11.00 am – 7.00 pm
21 st	Sunday Club	Village Hall	10.30 am
21 st	The Sunday Bar	Village Hall (Coffee available)	12 noon to 2.30 pm
27 th	Dinder Harvest Frolics	Village Hall	7.00 pm
28 th	Harvest Festival Service in the church.	All welcome	11.00am

DINDER and DULCOTE SUNDAY CLUB

What a super summer we have had! We hope you all had a good summer and have a great start to the term.

Sunday Club this month is on Sunday 21st September and is from 10.30am at Dinder Village Hall for children from birth to 13 years. Children under 3 years need to have an adult accompany them. Children from any parish are most welcome. Feel free to come even if you can't come every month, or haven't been for a while!

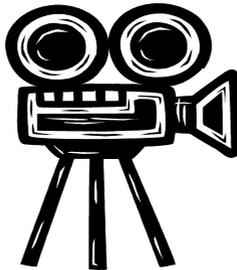
For further information please contact Becky Gilbert on 676739.

SOUTH WARD (DINDER & DULCOTE) NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

There was a very pleasing response of 48% to the questionnaire that was circulated to every home in South Ward during July. Thank you to all those who took part.

Planning policies: The majority views expressed in the household questionnaire will be reflected in a series of planning and development policies for the two villages of Dinder and Dulcote, and these will be incorporated into the Neighbourhood Plan that will ultimately become a legal planning document in conjunction with Mendip District Council's Local Plan. There will be an opportunity to view the draft policies and make comments at a 2-day exhibition being held in **Dinder Village Hall on Friday 12th and Saturday 13th September between 11am and 7pm.** If you are interested in the future development of your village please drop in.

Stella Elston South Ward Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group



MOVIOLA in CROSCOMBE VILLAGE HALL

“CALVARY” (15)

Thursday, 25th September

This interesting Irish film stars Brendan Gleeson as the good priest, Father James, who is forced to tackle sinister and troubling issues within his parish. Highly acclaimed by the critics!

Tickets: £6 available at the door / Croscombe Village Stores.

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

Moviola Autumn Season 2014

30th October: The Love Punch

27th November: Jimmy's Hall

11th December: Belle

Every effort has been made to ensure the above programme appeals to a wide range of audience. Do come and support us.

Christine Walker, Michael Hay

STOP PRESS: Planning permission for Croscombe Village Hall Update has been granted - now the hard work begins! It will be on the agenda of the next Committee Meeting on Tuesday 24th September.

AN APPEAL FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CROSCOMBE SOCIETY

There are several key vacancies to be filled on the Croscombe Society Executive Committee at our AGM on 16th October. If the Society is to survive it is essential that these positions are filled. Nominations/volunteers for the Committee should be sent, prior to 14th October, to the Hon Sec, Imelda North, Old Byre, Fayre Way. Tel. . 343788.

CROSCOMBE SENIOR CITIZENS

Our July meeting started in a very warm room, sun pouring through the windows and doors open for any slight breeze that might happen. After our general meeting we celebrated Beryl's 90th birthday in the usual way, by singing 'Happy Birthday'.

We settled down for our talk on Mendip Churches by Richard Raynsford. We knew from the past that he takes beautiful and interesting pictures so we were keen to enjoy his talk. But unfortunately, with the bright sunlight coming through the curtains, his equipment not working quite as Richard expected, we were not able to see the pictures as we had hoped. He was apologetic and offered to return at a later date.

The afternoon was not all negative. We finished with our cup of tea and some beautiful fruit cake and Victoria sponge kindly provided by Beryl, leaving plenty of time for conversation with our friends.

Lyn Manvill

PILTON HAPPY CIRCLE

On a glorious afternoon, the sunshine aromatised the diesel of the village mini bus – kindly and safely driven by Jim Govier – and members' cars as we set off to the delights of the lavender farm at Faulkland. Happily, members were lightly and delightfully attired to cope with one of the hottest days of the summer.

On arrival, one anonymous(!) group occupied the best table – in full shade - and did not move till home time!

We made full use of the wide range of pleasures to enjoy. The sun shone on the essential oils in the swathes of lavender flowers clothing the hillside fields –an olfactory treat.

We enjoyed walks, plant sales, gifts to buy and lavender products - a thoroughly unique Somerset experience. Why don't you try it?

What further praise can we heap on Molly's annual garden party? It is always wonderful. Well-organised – oh, those cakes – great company and weather. Perfect! The atmosphere is a reflection of the generosity and kindness of our hosts - Molly and Godfrey. You do so much for the spirit in the village. Let's follow your example and concentrate on the positive and eliminate the negatives in today's worrying world.

John Howe



HAPPY CIRCLE COACH TRIP TO BRIDPORT AND LYME REGIS

from Pilton on **September 17th**. Cost per person £10. There are seats available. Anyone interested in joining us will be most welcome. Please contact Eileen Govier for details 890436.



CROSCOMBE WI

What a lovely day! Our annual outing was in August, when many members, husbands and friends went to Sherborne Castle.

Leaving at 10.30am, we arrived after a very scenic route. The weather was ideal. Many, on arrival, had tea/coffee and delicious cake, whilst overlooking the lake and glorious scenery. This helped us on our way to survey the beautiful grounds and the castle itself. There were plenty of nooks and crannies to explore. One of Capability Brown's finest landscapes, some of the garden is lovingly cared for and some left to nature. There were numerous walks including one around the lake and to the old ruined castle. Ideal for watching a host of wildlife on the lake and adjacent grounds.

A light lunch was available and relished by many. With the wonderful scenery the sun and the company, it was an environment enjoyed by all.

The actual castle was a trip in itself! So much to see and learn, with seating available at every location, a welcome rest for the not-so-agile. Built by Sir Walter Raleigh in 1594, Sherborne Castle is now the home of the Digby family.

It was such an interesting and delightful day. With sunshine, scenery, tasty food and good company, it was an outing I know will be remembered for a long time and was enjoyed by all.

Lyn Manvill

WALK THE PARISH FOOTPATHS

Earlier this year I walked all of the Pilton parish footpaths with a colleague. This was mainly to be aware of where they all are. As you probably know, the ASBO Team, of which I am a member, try their best to keep footpaths clear.

There are about 32 miles of footpaths in the Parish of Pilton and they traverse some beautiful countryside.

I am sure that you will know how the weather has increased the growth of everything this year and so the ASBO's task has been made more difficult to clear all unwanted growth. We continue to do our best so that footpaths can be walked and enjoyed.

If you have not walked any of the paths, please try them and see the parish from a different perspective. If you have walked some paths, try some others and further enjoy the delightful views of the parish in which we live.

Maps of the footpaths can be obtained from Steve Bowler, Tel: 890032.

John Pratt



PLEASE CAN YOU HELP?

Pilton Players has a problem – or two!

We very much need some able-bodied personnel to help backstage with scenery and props and further help is needed with the on-going organisation of our good stock of costumes. We would be overjoyed to meet youngish, middle-aged and “late” middle-aged actors/actresses!

We aim to present one or two productions each year. We are a true village organisation and we raised over £600 towards the Jubilee celebrations in 2012. To continue pleasing our audiences we must recruit new talent – YOU!

You have more to offer than you may believe. We can hone your talent. Already at least four Players have gone on to work in the professional theatre. We are a friendly, well-organised group. We have ample insurance cover for our very modern lighting equipment, costumes etc., and insurance also covers all members.

The Players' photo collage on the first floor of the Village Hall shows scenes from recent productions. Do take the opportunity to look!

If you are even remotely interested please contact Sandra Howe on sandjhowe@shoplane.wanadoo.co.uk or 01749 890239. Thank you!



PILTON SHOW
6th and 7th SEPTEMBER
on PILTON PLAYING FIELD
SATURDAY 2-5 pm
FLOWER SHOW & FETE

All details in programmes, on sale at Post Office, Club, Pub and Committee or info on www.piltonvillage.co.uk Entries info www.piltonflowershow.org.uk

7.30 to midnight VILLAGE SUPPER & BARN DANCE

SUNDAY 2-4.30 pm FUN SPORTS 6.30 pm

THANKSGIVING at the Church

PILTON SHOW WEEKEND

FLOWER SHOW 6th September

If every household made at least one entry into the Show, this could be the best year ever for entries but it needs YOUR help to achieve this! Over 100 classes to choose from, so something for everyone. Loads of entries make for an even better Show!

All information and entry details on www.piltonflowershow.org.uk or from programmes.

PLANT STALL Calling all green-fingered folk!

Please kindly make donations, in advance or on the day, of plants, vegetables, flowers, indoor plants, seeds, terracotta or decorative pots.

Please contact Emma Leworthy 899545 The Old School, Pilton.

BOTTLE STALL

Please donate bottles : everything needed, not just alcohol! Please leave at St Christopher's or at Post Office when open. Contact Molly Gingell 899136.

BARN DANCE TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW

from Post Office or Jude Glide 899488.

NEWS FROM CROSCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

www.croscombe-parish.co.uk

Neighbourhood Plan – We have now been accepted officially to continue with a Neighbourhood Plan and it has been confirmed by Mendip that our total house build from now until 2029 will be 35 dwellings.

Neighbourhood Plan investigation for this month – *affordable housing*. Do you have relatives who would like to live in the village but who cannot afford to do so? What sort of affordable housing would you like to see? In your opinion, is there a large or small need for such housing?

The Council has just voted to support **outline planning permission** for the field behind Honeymead. We realise that this is a controversial planning application but we had canvassed opinion from a variety of villagers who generally supported it. However, we will support residents who could be affected directly to the best of our abilities, if /when full plans are submitted.

There is a great deal of **detritus on the roads** due to the heavy rain and although Highways have been asked to clear it and also to cut back vegetation which has overgrown, self help on our part is still the best option. If possible, could you clear drains and cut back any vegetation around your property.

Next Meeting. 7.30 pm on September 10th in the Church Room. All are welcome.

Hilary Shergold

BITS FROM THE BELFRY

Much has been written about Richard Bowditch who was our Tower Captain for many years. He was highly regarded by so many people not least bell ringers. So far, over eighty peals and quarter peals have been rung in his memory in local towers and many further afield across the country - Derbyshire, Staffordshire, Suffolk and Devon. Some have been rung on bells which Richard had cast and a number of different methods have been rung.

Meanwhile in Pilton tower we try to improve our method ringing and often wonder whether Richard is smiling or shaking his head in dismay! He made such a valuable contribution to keeping the bells ringing and inspiring others.

Jean Skidmore

ROUNABOUT E-MAIL ADDRESS

As some contributors may be aware, we have recently had a major problem with our e-mail address. It has been re-instated, thanks to the sterling work of Trisha and Daren Sawyers of Stable Computers. Without their support, we would not have been able to produce this edition. *The Roundabout Team*

THE FESTIVAL RUN 12th October 2014

This year there is a 10 km Run as well as the 2 and 5 km ones. It's a great run on an atmospheric site.

There's a strong local feeling throughout – it's organized, marshalled, run and walked by local people. It is a celebration of our area, and shows to all Somerset what we can do.

Entries are now open. Go online to www.piltonvillage.co.uk and click on "Festival Run" for details, or contact Chris King on 890357 or Christopher Bond on 890352. *Christopher Bond*

I.T. for the Terrified – for all your computer training needs. A skill-sharing, community project.

Run by a Committee – Staffed by Volunteers

Open House sessions will be held at the beginning of September.

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

Contact us on 01934 741751 or email itfortheterrified@btconnect.com or check out www.itfortheterrified.co.uk

The Old Cowshed, Station Road, Cheddar. BS27 3AG. (Next to the War Memorial - not the Market Cross). Registered Charity No. 1130308

Volunteer Driver Recruitment - Somerset County Council

'Transporting Somerset' provides journeys for Health Clients on behalf of the NHS and for Social Care Clients in the County, using a combination of taxis and volunteer drivers in their own cars. We are keen to increase the numbers of volunteers based in the Mendip Area.

If you are able to help us please contact Lesley Margetts, Individual Transport Manager at Transporting Somerset
on 01823 357187, lmargetts@somerset.gov.uk

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PILTON METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES

7 th September	Mrs J Cobb	11.00am
14 th September	Rev. N Lakin Holy Communion	11.00am
21 st September	Rev. A Berners	
	United Harvest Service at the Methodist Church	11.00am
28 th September	Local Arrangement	11.00am

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

Morning Prayer in Crocombe 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

SEPTEMBER 2014

7th September

Trinity 12

9.30am	Holy Communion	Dinder
11.00am	Family Service	Croscombe
11.00am	Holy Communion	North Wootton
6.30pm	Pilton Show Service	Pilton

14th September

Trinity 13

9.30am	Holy Communion	Pilton
11.00am	Holy Communion	Croscombe
11.00am	Family Service	North Wootton
6.30pm	Evensong	Dinder

21st September

St. Matthew

9.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	North Wootton
11.00am	Harvest Service at the Methodist Church	Pilton
11.00am	Harvest Service	Croscombe
6.30pm	Holy Communion	Dinder

28th September

Trinity 15

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

5th October

Trinity 16

9.30am	Holy Communion	Dinder
11.00am	Harvest Service	Pilton
11.00am	Family Service	Croscombe
11.00am	Holy Communion and Baptism	North Wootton

