



The Bell is Sold !

Laurina Deacon

Sitting on the crossroads in the centre of the village the Bell Hotel has been closed for business for the past ten years. During this time the old grade II listed building has been falling into disrepair and the owners have been forced, on more than one occasion, to make safe the guttering or roof slates which were in danger of falling on unsuspecting passers-by. This year the appearance of the dilapidated hotel was much improved when the outside was painted cream and the boarded-up windows painted black with the added touch of white glazing bars resulting in The Bell looking smarter than it has looked for at least 25 years!



The interior of the Bell in its 'glory days'



The Bell in 2016

Planning permission to convert the building into six self-contained dwellings and one commercial unit has been sought and granted during its closure but attempts to sell the property have all failed, until now. In November, the property was offered at auction, not for the first time, and sold, after auction for £205,000, according to the Auction House website.

The Bell, probably the oldest hostelry in the village, has its origins in the 16th century. Many alterations have been made over the years and the building, as it stands now, is predominantly 19th century. Once an important coaching inn on the route between Taunton and Yeovil it would have provided a bed and refreshments to weary travellers and stabling for their horses. The coach house and stables stood where the Shell Garage now stands and an elderly resident remembers that attached to the wall was a metal sign informing travellers that London was 131 miles distant. Where now villagers wait for the 54 bus their 19th century predecessors boarded the quaintly named Fairy Mail coach for journeys to the nearby towns and villages....*continued on page 2*

Who Stole our Defibrillator?

A group of villagers attended the resuscitation training evening in December which started with the news that the defibrillator at the Shell Garage had been stolen! However, this did not prevent the training session, delivered by a very experienced trainer, from being very worthwhile. Use of a defibrillator was demonstrated but it was emphasised that the key to saving a life was administering CPR until medical professionals arrive on the scene.

Madelaine King-Oakley, Chair of the Parish Council told the *Curry Rivel News* that the P.C. would replace the stolen

defibrillator. Whilst the machine located at the Shell Garage was well located to serve the centre of the village it would make sense to place one at each end of the village. One of the attendees at the training suggested that residents might like to make donations towards the purchase of a machine in their locality. Bearing in mind the possible waiting time for an ambulance this could be money well spent.

If you were unable to attend in December but would like training, look out for notice of further session dates in the *Curry Rivel News*.

District Councillor's Report

Tiffany Osborne

The Bell Hotel has been sold. In a deal made after auction in December the property was sold for £205,000, just over the guide price of £200,000. At the time of going to print I have no further news on who has bought it and what their ambitions are for the site but I can only hope their intentions are to renovate it in the near future, instead of letting it languish in poor condition for the next 10 years as the previous owners did, and provide living accommodation for those starting on the housing ladder as well as those wishing to bring families to the village. As soon as I have any updates I will let you know.

SSDC has always tried to bring the work it does to the community, using local halls and facilities, and our Area North committee meetings are no exception. However, with tightening budgets SSDC have asked the members of the committee to consider whether bringing our council work to

local areas is money well spent considering the time it takes for staff to travel and set up the meetings. The question being asked is would it be more economical if all meetings were held in the offices in Yeovil. If you are interested in the work SSDC and its members do and feel it is important to use facilities local to Area North then please let me know.

With the New Year upon us now is the time start afresh – for those of you wanting to get fit don't forget we have health walks organised in the village to help get you started. For those of you looking for less active types of enjoyment on the fourth Saturday of every month between February and November SSDC will be celebrating Great British food and drink at the Cartgate Picnic Area where local food producers will be showcasing their products so come along and try all the delicious food this area has to offer. For more information on village groups and clubs please check our website on www.curryrivel.org.uk.

Best wishes for a healthy and prosperous New Year.

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It is not yet known what the new owners will do with the old building but it's unlikely it will ever be the venue for the 'big occasions' in the village again. The 'Assembly Room' was the setting for balls, auctions and may have been used for legal purposes as a court room. This was the smarter of the two village hostleries - 'the place you took your wife' - and current residents have memories of it in the Fifties being very busy immediately after Sunday worship at St Andrew's. It was the scene of sporting victories (and defeats!) with the old game of Fives (a cross between squash and pelota) played on the outside wall and more recently skittles played in the old

assembly room and darts matches in the bar.

What then is the future for this once important village building? Will the current permission for residential and retail be taken up? How will the fact that it is a listed building be managed? Or will it remain untouched for another 10 years and fall into further disrepair? One thing which the new owners may be interested in is the local superstition that the Bell is an unlucky pub! Let's hope the ghosts of customers past approve of the plans for their old watering hole!

Parish Council Shorts

Madelaine King-Oakley

Our January meeting: The councillors will be setting the precept for 2017/18 at this meeting. This includes budgeting for the next year. You are most welcome to attend. Because the village wassailing is on Thursday 5th the Parish Council meeting is moved to Thursday 12th January, starting at 7:30pm in the village hall.



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Growing Your Own

Sylvia and Peter Goodenough

A Happy Gardening New Year to all! As we enter the new year we are also entering what should be one of the coldest months of the year and we might see some snow, so much of what can be done outside in the garden is to minimise the effects of adverse weather. Plants often survive well under full blanket of snow, but if they show above the snow they can be badly frosted, even if they are supposedly hardy. Snow can also break branches off so it is best to remove it before this can happen.

Perhaps the nicest thing to be doing garden-wise this month is staying warm indoors and looking forward to planning for the year ahead. Plan new borders and changes in established ones, order seeds, get mowers, hedge trimmers etc. serviced, clear up the shed, greenhouse and garage, clean and oil tools, and dream of the perfect garden you will have until reality, in the shape of weeds, wind and weariness interferes!

However, in good weather there are still things to do outside. Shrubs and hedging plants can be planted - top tip - vines are the latest plants to benefit from climate change and vineyards are spring up all over southern Britain so why not try a couple of grape vines this year and dream of being in Provence? Established trees and shrubs can be pruned by thinning out dead and diseased branches. Wisteria should be winter pruned by cutting back young shoots to within 3 inches of old wood. If rose bushes or other plants have become loosened by winter gales they will need some support, and bamboo canes do this job well, are relatively inexpensive and can be purchased in the village.

Rhubarb can be planted this month; plant roots about 3 foot apart, with their tops about 1 inch below soil level. If you have access to it, spread strawy manure over the plants and cover established crowns similarly. Shallots can be planted from now on, though the soil needs to be well drained if you plant this month.

Early bird planting can be very successful

if you have somewhere protected, a heated greenhouse is best, followed by an unheated greenhouse and finally a cold frame. If you can keep the temperature above freezing light will become the limiting factor and a careful balance of temperature and light is required. Lettuce seeds can be sown for succession and need some heat, tomato, pepper, aubergine, and cucumber seeds can be planted from mid-January onwards, but need considerably more heat than lettuce. If you have a greenhouse consider a separate area as a mini-hothouse for these plants.

As Curry Rivel in Bloom group members we are looking to our first entry in the Britain in Bloom South West competition in July 2017. Our garden is not exactly central in the village so the judges are unlikely to see it but we will still be planting an area in purple and gold in support of the village theme for 2017, and we do hope you will do the same.



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As we turn into the new year it's time to think seriously about our first entry as a village community into the Britain in Bloom South West competition. The time until the July judging will fly by so we need to finalise our plans early in the year. **We plan to hold an open meeting in the Village Hall on February 22nd at 7.30 in the Chatham Room** to discuss and share ideas. We look forward to meeting you then and working together to make our entry successful. In the meantime here's how you can get ready for **Curry Rivel in Bloom**.

- Collect large containers e.g. saucepans, wicker baskets etc. that can be planted up later
- Start to think about what plants you will be able to use in the purple and gold theme colours (remember you will be able to buy some in the village in May)
- Think of an area at the front of your house - top of a wall, in front of a wall or fence, hanging baskets - that could be planted up in the purple and gold theme colours
- Tidy your garden frontage and encourage/help your neighbours to do the same
- Offer to help elderly or infirm neighbours who would like to join in
- Visit the website (address above) or email smgoodenough@aol.com to let us know you are prepared to join in.

Attend the public meeting to be held in the Village Hall in February to hear the latest news.
Encourage others to get involved!

Curry Rivel W.I.



Christmas Carols at Wells Cathedral and Burrowbridge

Holidays at the Manor Park Hotel with friends

Resolutions passed at the AGM, this year on Dementia and Food Wastage

Informative speakers on a wide variety of topics

Social walking group every month - make new friends and get some healthy exercise

Twiddlemuffs knitted and stitched for the residents of Immacolata House

Memories tested at the County Quiz evening

Antiques valuation morning from GTH, our family heirlooms discussed and valued

Some great gardens visited and pub lunches enjoyed by all

These are just a few of the things our members enjoyed in 2016. We try to offer something for everyone, whatever your interests are and however much time you have. Coming up this year we have a poetry competition, speakers on China and the Somerset floods and of course, all our usual outings and activities.

Our first meeting will be a social morning, a chance to catch up after Christmas, have a quiz and maybe a game of 'Beetle'. That will be on Thursday January 12th, in the Village Hall. If you think you might enjoy it, come along and join in, 9.45am for a 10.00am start. If you'd like a lift or have any questions, please call Jackie German on 01458 259688 or email jackiegerman@hotmail.com

In, On and Under the Sea

The Long Sutton branch of the WEA (Workers' Educational Association) will be running a course on **Maritime Archaeology** starting on Tuesday 31st January in Long Sutton Village Hall from 7.30pm to 9.00pm. The course runs on Tuesdays for 6 weeks (no session on 14th February), the last session will be on March 14th.

People have taken to the sea from earliest times, the course will look at how ships have developed, the voyages taken, how they navigated and affected the coasts. Local examples will be chosen as often as possible with particular emphasis on the coast of Dorset. The professional tutor leading the course will be Gordon Le Pard and the cost will be £25.

Why not join us? For further information or to enrol please email [Kim Bailey on wealongsutton@gmail.com](mailto:wealongsutton@gmail.com) or call on 01935 850077

Langport & District History Society

Midelney Manor

Barry Winetrobe

The Langport & District History Society's year-end Christmas Social was held at Midelney Manor, Drayton, where over 40 members were given a tour of this historic building by its co-owner, Alice Acton. As hardly any of them had been inside this hidden gem before, this was a rare and much-appreciated treat.

Alice hosted two tour groups round the various fascinating rooms of the Manor, outlining the history of the property, from its inception in a grant of the land by the Saxon King, Ina, to Muchelney Abbey in 700. The Trevilian family's connection began in the early 15th century, when they were made stewards at Muchelney. Following the social upheavals of the dissolution of the monasteries, the property passed to John Trevilian of Kingsbury, and it has been in that family ever since.

The design and development of the Manor itself reflected the story of the Trevilians. For example, two brothers, Thomas and Richard, who finished the construction in 1542, so disliked each other that it was made into two separate

buildings, with a passageway where their wives could talk to each other!

As a home, as well as a historic property, the Manor has a unique atmosphere, filled not just with the expected family portraits and artefacts, but also with very personal items such as old dresses, exquisitely hand-sewn bedspreads and the like.

At the end of the tour, the visitors enjoyed some superb refreshments laid on by Alice and her staff. The Manor now operates as a venue for weddings and conferences, and is a welcome addition to the attractions of the Langport area. Perhaps the Society will return sometime, in a more clement season, to enjoy the gardens and grounds of the property not accessible for an evening event at this time of the year.

The first meeting of 2017 will be on Monday 9 January when the ever-popular Peter Stanier will speak on England's richest historical landscape: Minions Moor, Cornwall. It is free to members (annual membership is £12); non-members are welcome, admission £2; refreshments available. Anyone interested in joining the Society should contact Sue Standen (01458 273471, suzannestanden471@btinternet.com). Follow the History Society at @langporthistory, and on its website: <https://sites.google.com/site/langportheritage/home>.

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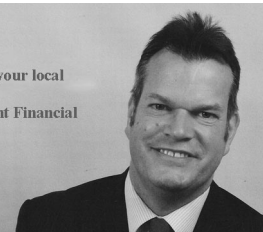
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Stars: Kate Beckinsale, Stephen Fry, James Fleet, Jemma Redgrave and Chloë Sevigny.

Doors open at 7.00pm; show starts at 7.30pm

in the village hall. Refreshments are on sale. Tickets £7 are available at the door.

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As soon as a film finishes in the cinema we book it for the **Movie Night** to be shown on a really big screen on the 3rd Friday of the month at 7:30pm.

On Thursdays the **Rainbow Guides and Brownies** meet from 4pm.

The **Get Together Group** gives carers a break where between 10am and 2pm their relatives or friends are entertained and given a cooked lunch. Do you know anyone who would enjoy this?

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Burton Pynsent Monument

Jane Hamlin

Richard Hewitt, who although he lives in Bath is an avid reader of the *Curry Rivel News*, has sent us an interesting photograph of the Burton Pynsent monument with steeplejacks working on it. Rather than me! It is rather different from when work was carried out in 1991. The contractors on that occasion – Stansells of Taunton – erected a robust framework of scaffolding to ensure that their tradesmen could work in safety. The monument is arguably the most notable feature of the Curry Rivel area, but why is it here at all?



By 1991 the Monument was in need of urgent repair and a programme of restoration work began. *Photo: Eileen Lock*

opposition to the Cider Tax which was introduced in the Excise Bill of 1763; but this is wrong. Pitt certainly opposed the Bill, but mainly because it would permit agents of the Crown to search any buildings, including houses, for untaxed cider. He strongly believed that an Englishman's home was his castle, and in an impassioned speech, he maintained, "The poorest man may in his cottage bid defiance to all forces of the Crown. It may be frail, its roof may shake; the wind may blow through it; the storms may enter, the rain may enter, - but the King of England cannot enter; all his forces dare not cross the threshold of the ruined tenement." James

Boswell, who was in the gallery of the House of Commons to hear it was moved to write in his *London Journal*; "The ease, the fluency, the grace with which he spoke was amazingly fine."

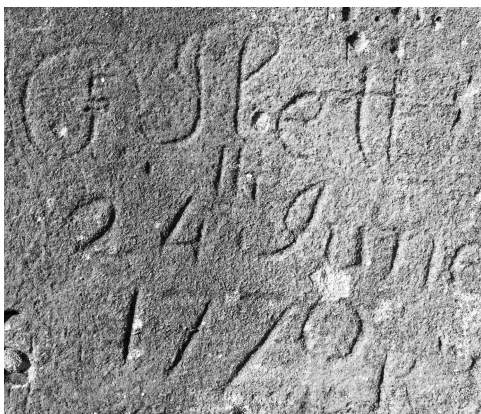
Sir William Pynsent's will was dated 20th October 1761 - some time before the cider

tax was even proposed – and it gave no reason for the bequest, merely observing, "I hope he will like my Burton estate, where I now live, well enough to make it his country seat." Pitt did like it and did make Burton his second home. He sold other property that was in the bequest and used the money to extend the house. Then he commissioned Lancelot 'Capability' Brown, the famous landscape garden designer whose 300th birthday was commemorated recently, to design the 140 feet high monument in recognition of the generous gift he had received.

Neither of the men in this story was very popular. Sir William Pynsent was a crusty, eccentric old man who had fallen out with all of his relatives. He was said to have few scruples, and was alleged to have had an incestuous relationship with his daughter. Although he was a skilled parliamentarian, Pitt was described by his contemporaries as an aloof, solitary man who erected a barrier between himself and the world. His nephew said of him, "He lived and died without a friend." However, thanks to both of them we have this striking tower close to our village. Many years ago I had the opportunity to climb up the steps inside to the very top and, unlike a couple of unfortunate cows in the past, managed to walk back down again. I am certainly glad that I did not have to hang from ropes like the steeplejacks in Richard Hewitt's photograph; but then they have the special skills that I lack.

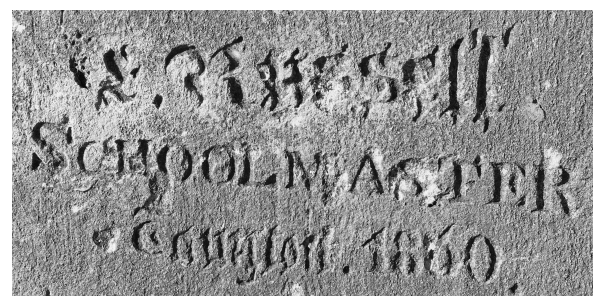


Steeplejacks on Burton Monument



The oldest carving made in 1770 and the Taunton schoolmaster's created in 1860.

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9th	East of Shell garage	11.00a m	439	98.2%	8
12th	The Glade Wiltown	12 noon	171	95.3%	8
14th	Abbey Close	8.00am	80	96.3%	3
18th	Townsend	7.30am	423	98.8%	5
23rd	Spirales Hi Street	3.00pm	384	100.0%	0
29th	Churchway	7.30 am	543	96.9%	17

Hurray for the 23rd, Perfect Score! Well Done. But please slow down in Wiltown.

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January

Sunday 1st - The Naming of Jesus

10.00 **FH** - United Benefice

All Age Family Communion CW

Wednesday 4th

2.45 pm Immacolata House -
Residents' Communion

Thursday 5th

10.30 **CR OSR** - Holy Communion BCP

Sunday 8th - Baptism of Christ

10.00 **FH** - All Age Family Service

11.00 **FH** - Short Communion CW

6.00 pm **CR** - Evening Worship

Thursday 12th

10.30 **CR OSR** - Holy Communion BCP

Sunday 15th - Epiphany 2

9.30 **SW** - Holy Communion
BCP

11.00 **CR** - Holy Communion CW
& Sunday Club

6.00 pm **FH** - Evening Prayer CW

Thursday 19th

10.30 **CR OSR** - Holy Communion BCP

Sunday 22nd - Epiphany 3

8.00 **CR** - Holy Communion BCP

9.30 **FH** - Morning Prayer CW

10.00 **CR** - All Age Family Service

11.15 **CR** - Short Communion CW

Thursday 26th

10.30 **CR OSR** - Holy Communion BCP

Sunday 29th - Epiphany 4

9.15 **CR** - Holy Communion CW
& Sunday Club

11.00 **FH** - Holy Communion CW

Tuesday 31st

2.45 pm Immacolata House -
Residents' Communion

CR = St. Andrew's Church, Curry Rivel

CR OSR = St. Andrew's Old School
Room

FH = St. Martin's Church, Fivehead

SW = St. Catherine's Church, Swell

Service pattern change

Please note the change in service pattern this month. See the diary on the left.

Scott's spot

Wise men came asking



With Christmas behind us and the New Year still very new, the church calendar now moves into a season called *Epiphany*. The Epiphany itself is celebrated on the 6th January and it's the day that marks the visit of the wise men, or Magi, to celebrate the birth of Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel Chapter 2 we learn that: *'In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem. . wise men . . came asking...'*

To give these wise men a bit of depth beyond the pictures on our Christmas cards, those men who searched for Jesus were the intellectuals of their day. They were skilled in philosophy, medicine and natural science and as we see in the Bible verse above, despite their learning, they were not afraid to ask questions: *'Wise men... came...asking'*.

Today, the same is true. We too need to ask questions if we are to be wise. But unlike the wise men, our first question will not be *'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews?'*, but rather *'who is he?'* To answer that question we don't need to search the heavens as they did, but to read our Bibles. We need to examine the evidence to find out who Jesus is. We need to be prepared to take advantage of the means to know him that he has given us. We need to read the Gospels – Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.

We need also not simply to be content with the accounts of Jesus' birth that we've enjoyed these last few weeks, but to consider his life, death and resurrection that followed. And the wise will not be satisfied with impressions they may have gained as a child, rather they will come to the Gospel story with adult minds and will ask adult questions. I guarantee that wise people with open minds will discover that the Jesus they encounter will eclipse every pre-conceived idea and reveal the stereotypes for what they are.

'Wise men...came...asking'. We too need to be wise and ask questions. Might your New Year's resolutions include the determination to investigate the most important event in human history.

With every blessing to you and those you love,

Revd. Scott Patterson.

Drop-In at St. Andrew's OSR



Please note that there will be no Drop-In this month due to a 'winter break'.

Drop-In will resume on
Tuesday 14th February

Final update on the 2016 Shoe Box Appeal

The final total number of boxes that have gone from the village on their journey abroad is **68**.

Many thanks to all who gave a shoe box filled with lovely gifts to children and adults who otherwise would have nothing at Christmas.

From St. Andrew's Registers Funerals

May God grant them eternal rest.

Interment of ashes in the churchyard.

23rd November - Mr Frank Brooks
(† 11th March)

24th November

Mrs Jean Iris Rosemary Bawler
(† 23rd October)

and

Mrs Iverna May Tackle
(† 23rd October)

St. Andrew's Rotas January

Brass - Gillie Purves

Flowers

7th & 14th - Sue Randell

21st & 28th - Madelaine King-Oakley

Cleaning

7th - Julia Gauler

14th - Tina Geary

21st - Wendy Graves

28th - Nancy and Olive Martell



Cider, Sausages and Song aka Carols, Bangers and Mash

The second annual 'Carols, Bangers and Mash' (organised by St. Andrew's Church) brought a warm glow to a cold night on Friday 2nd December in the Village Hall.

The evening began with a glass of warming mulled cider (donated and served by Henry Lang) and continued with tasty sausages, generously donated by Old Heale Smallholding.



Over a hundred guests were treated to Carols sung by the St. Andrew's Choir and invited to raise their own voices in singing Carols of their choice. Other entertainment included an uproarious game of 'Ognib' (led by Roger Chadbourne) and a comedic reading from Revd Scott Patterson.

Many thanks to Nicky Barker and her band of chefs who were greatly helped by the Girl Guides who turned out in force to serve and clear in a very professional manner and have received a 'thank you' donation towards a forthcoming trip to Sri Lanka. Thanks also go to local businesses and church members for donating raffle prizes and to Robert Clark for a huge bottle of small change which was raffled separately.

Overall, more than £ 1,300 was raised for St. Andrew's, contributing to the ongoing upkeep and provision of both the building and the services. Many thanks to all who came for contributing to a warm, fun and successful evening.

Announcement for your diaries:

St. Andrew's Church fete
will be on
Saturday 8th July

United Reformed Church



January

(Services start at 10.30)

Sunday 1st - Epiphany

Service led by members
Jenny and Tony Potts

Sunday 8th - Rev Tim Richards

(incl. Holy Communion)

Sunday 15th - Mr Mike Mason

Sunday 22nd - Rev David Huggett

Sunday 29th - Mr Barry Bryer

We are an inclusive, outward looking community and wherever you are on your life/spiritual journey we welcome you without regard to age, gender, denominational background, sexual orientation, race or ability. Tea/coffee is served after every service providing the opportunity to meet and chat with each other and the preacher.

URC Minister: *Rev Tim Richards*

A Prayer for the New Year

As we enter another New Year we pray for a **peace** built on acceptance and celebration of difference not shakily imposed by threat based on fear.

We pray for **prosperity** which sees wealth openly shared amongst all not greedily hidden and stored by a few.

We pray for **justice** where each is treated as of equal value not devalued or deemed second class.

We pray for **hope** – hope we may see such change; we pray for **courage** – courage that we might bring about such change: we pray for **each other** that we might be such change as we stand at the threshold and dream 'thy kingdom come' – here, now and forever.

Amen.

URC Dickensian CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

Thank you to stallholders, volunteer & Guide helpers, singers & musicians who put time and effort into the Dickensian Craft fair in November. From the photographs in December's CRN I think you can tell it was a warm, friendly, atmospheric event.

Thank you to villagers and visitors alike for coming along and making it so!

**PILLOW
TALK**

**This month
no pillow talk.**



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In January

Regular Events

MONDAY

9.45	Art Club	Village Hall
6.00	Pilates	Primary School
6.00	Youth Drama	Village Hall
6.45	Explorer Scouts	Scout Hall, Langport

TUESDAY

10.30	Drop In (2nd & 4th only)	Old School Room
5.45 -8pm	Pilates	Primary School
6.00	Cub Pack	Scout Hall, Langport
6.30	Guides	URC Hall
7.00	Short Mat Bowls	Village Hall
7.30	Sedgemoor Garden Club	All Saints Hall, L'port (2nd only)

WEDNESDAY

6.45	Scouts	Scout Hall, Langport
7.30	Bell Ringing	St Andrew's

THURSDAY

10.00	WI	Village Hall (2nd only)
4.30	Rainbows	Village Hall
4.30	Brownies	Village Hall
7.30	Parish Council	Village Hall (1st only)
9.30 -11am	Parent, Baby & Toddler Group	Primary School Hall
	(Term time only)	
1.30 - 3.30pm	Short Mat Bowls	Village Hall

FRIDAY

9.30-2	Get Together Club	Village Hall
7.30	Cinema Night (not August)	Village Hall (3rd only)

Special Events

Jan 5 Wassailing and Burning the Ashen Faggot

The King William Pub



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Guides	252901
Pynsent Youth Football Club	251084

Sports Clubs

Bowls Club	251616
Cricket Club	01823 698849 & 01458 252791

Social

Flower Show	250311
Out & About	252146
Royal British Legion	251796
Twinning Association	251432
Women's Institute	251689
Rotary Club of Langport & Somerton	252813
PROBUS	252545
Sedgemoor Garden Club	250091
Heale Lane Allotment Association	253953
Get Together Club	251773
Health Walks	250725

Arts

Entertainers	250311
Music Club	250863
Art Club	253126
Youth Drama	251773

Community Facilities

Village Hall (crvhbookings@gmail.com)	0751 664 2704
Old School Room Bookings	250655
United Reformed Church Hall - Lettings etc.	259391
URC Secretary	259434

Community Services

Doctors	250464
Police	101
Yarlington Housing	01935 404500

Education

Little Pips	252822
Primary School	251404
Huish Episcopi Academy	250501
Huish Episcopi Leisure Centre	251055

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District Council	01935 462462
County Council	0300 123 2224

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Lay Reader	01460 281555
Churchwardens	259003
Secretary PCC	251355
Organist & Bell Ringing	253856
Flower Guild	252710
Roman Catholic Church	Somerton 274008
United Reformed Church Minister	252799

Would all local organisations please submit their correct phone numbers to CRN editor to amend the above list as necessary