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A Towering Success

Peter Goodenough

On behalf of the Trust, I thank those who came along to the Burton Pynsent monument on Friday 3rd to climb the spiral stairs to the top.

From opening at 1300 until the rain came at 1715 there was a queue of people waiting to ascend the tower. We recorded almost 200 people - including all ages - and four dogs. One young person found it too much and didn't get to the top, a dog put his paw down at the very idea, another dog was carried up after at a third of the way when it down-pawed and was also carried down. One lucky animal! I got to have many interesting chats with the waiting visitors, I learnt a lot about the new British aircraft carriers and the very advanced planes that fly from them, apparently the weakest links in the planes are the pilots who cannot stand the g force the planes can generate when flying at full capability. Also, the heart wrenching but inspiring tale of a person who had to undergo such radical surgery that she was left paralysed but had taught herself to walk again and successfully climbed the tower. There were many other tales from good natured friends waiting their turn.



Que for the Tower

Nearly £700 was raised for the Trust after gift aid was included. The picture shows the queue. This money will be very useful; the Trustees have several plans afoot, the first of which is for high quality information boards alongside the official footpath which has been clearly marked and mown through the field, The traditional path most of you used follows the edge of the field and then goes through the wood to the east. This is not the official footpath; this goes from the gate north to the wood and down to the Levels. Land owners beyond the Trust land do not seem keen on the traditional path, apparently for reasons to do with public liability, but have not stopped the path up so far, although they have put up warning notices. The Trust has no view on how other landowners allow or deny access and will maintain the official path in collaboration with Somerset County Council's footpath wardens.



Orchid

The money will also be used to protect and enhance the wildflowers as mentioned in previous articles, the picture shows a pyramidal orchid of which we have a lot again this year; this is remarkable as the land was regularly ploughed until 2018. By leaving the field uncut at this time of year and cutting late in the summer the orchids get to set seed and this mature seed is then spread when we cut late in the summer. June is the best time for orchid flowers.

Finally, engineer Alan has been busy building a barrier at the entrance to the field. He has set in two large posts, one of which has the name of the Trust set vertically on the post and has constructed a bespoke barrier to fit the gap. An entrance has been left for walkers to the north-east corner. The main aim is to prevent unauthorised vehicle access. Many thanks to Alan for his continuing skilled efforts.

I hope many of you visited the Trust land during the Open Gardens event and saw how very well the trees are growing and spotted some of our orchids, hopefully with butterflies on them. A list of the wild flowers noted on Trust land in early June can be seen on our website currywoodsconservationtrust.com.

Letters

Dear Residents,

Happy to Help!

I am proposing to form a voluntary group for our village. There are already half a dozen or so volunteers "in the wings" (with varying skills) and a few more would be very welcome.

The first aim of the group is making people aware of its existence, hence this letter to residents of all ages in Curry Rivel. We would be "Happy to Help" with a small repair, do a shop, take to doctor/dentist appointments. Also with help with daunting form filling (absolutely confidential).

I have compiled a comprehensive list which also includes befriending, computer help and 'sign-posting' to the myriad services out there. Bearing in mind as well that people are proud and reticent to ask for help. If you know of such neighbours or friends please be kind enough to make them aware of our volunteer group and our strict confidentiality.

If you would like to join our "Happy to Help" band of volunteers please call Wendy on 251339. You can choose to do as little or as much as you wish and we will be insured.

"The smallest of kind needs are so often the most memorable"

Kind regards from the "Happy to Help" Team

Dear Editor,

With regard to Marcus Patten's letter last month on the above, I think you will find that it was a "private initiative" undertaken by a band of volunteers, and was not in fact organised by the Parish Council.

This is another example of how the quality of life in our village is heightened by bands of anonymous volunteers who receive very little if any, recognition to make it such a pleasant place to live. I include not only those who have worked so hard on the footpath, but gardeners, litter pickers, club organisers, speedwatch volunteers and many, many others and most recently, those who spent their Sunday morning (and probably a lot of time each side of it) organising, cooking and serving at the May Big Breakfast and following that, the magnificent efforts of the WI team and helpers to provide a memorable afternoon tea on the Jubilee Thursday.

Thank you all!
Geoff Higson



Dear Village Residents

As a regular user of the pavements within the village, please could I ask you to step outside your residence and walk the pavement, as you do so, please take a moment to consider how your hedge, flowers and overhead trees impact on you as you walk along.

In quite a few places, particularly in areas where we only have a pavement on one side of the road it is not a very pleasant experience, especially when you are walking with your back to the traffic, as hedges, flowers and overhanging trees force you to the very outside of the pavement.

The Parish Council is doing a lot of work on active travel within the area, but it will be in vain if we do not keep the pavements we have passable.

Thank you
Susan Chorley

Dear Editor

I think Mr Patten has been mis-informed about the "Parish council...rejuvenating the path between Curry Rivel and Langport".

I suspect that this work is actually down to the Curry Rivel Wombles – the litter pickers so ably headed by John Casebourne and his little dog Bobby. John and one or two others, including the recently elected Councillor Richard Wilkins, have taken this work upon themselves - in addition that is to the sterling litter picking carried out around in the village and surrounding lanes.

The Parish Council and Langport council are of course welcome to join in the activities of the Wombles – no doubt instruction can be given!

Sincerely, David Green, Portfield [Womble].



Curry Rivel in Bloom

A flowering community

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South West in Bloom Judging

The village will be judged on Monday 11th July. We hope to have all our projects finished by then and that the village will be looking lovely. Please help us by weeding the front of your property where the wall meets the pavement, cutting grass edges and verges. Maybe you would like to put out some pretty pots. The village always looks lovely for judging day as so many villagers join in and spruce things up. Thank you everyone. Let's see if we can win GOLD again!

The judges will see a powerpoint presentation documenting our work through the year and then be taken on a tour of the village, visiting the Church which will be decorated by the Flower Guild, the war memorial, Granny's Garden, the railings, Parsonage Place, Batty Piece and Eastfield. They will have

lunch in the village hall prepared by the WI and will have the opportunity to meet volunteers and helpers from the village. After lunch they will visit the school gardens, the CRiB allotment and Curry woods Conservation trust site. These are called IYNs, 'It's Your Neighbourhood' and they are village projects that will be given half an hour of judging each. Thank you to all our volunteers. People don't always see what goes on in the back ground and it is a lot of hard work!

Front Garden Competition

This was won by Geoff Fling at Corner cottage in Back Lane for his wonderful front garden display that included the Queen and a special badge made of flowers to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the WI in Curry Rivel.



Second prize is shared by Counterpoint House and The Limes. Third prize goes to the Brambles in Hoskins Close, highly commended are 1, Hillside Close and 55, Parsonage Place. Well done to everyone who entered.

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Jam and Jerusalem

Carolyn Paton

What else but the WI.....

Both jam and Jerusalem featured during the AGM held in May; all very traditional.

In fact this was the annual, rather than monthly rendition of 'Jerusalem' - just to make sure we don't forget it perhaps, though there was a reminder-slip of the words thoughtfully laid out on each seat just in case.

Reports from Treasurer, Secretary and President were presented to an audience comprising three-quarters of the membership, and proved that the Curry Rivel Institute is in a healthy state one hundred years on from its inauguration.

And where does the jam come in? Between the two layers of cake which comprise a Victoria Sponge. Several members had baked according to a traditional recipe judged by Anne Hebrow, who had kindly agreed to take on the task. This was in competition for the Win Roos 'cup'. In fact this cup is a beautiful paperweight held by the winner for twelve months. This lucky person gets to enjoy the prize at home before handing it back. Thus, after a few years of differing competitions, several members have had the pleasure and privilege of doing exactly that.

The meeting continued with reminders from the President, Anne Geach (01458 253078) of forthcoming activities, both village and WI-related, in which members are invited to participate.

New members are always welcome; enquirers may contact the President for further information.



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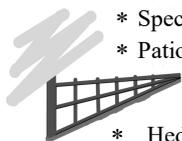
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Big Turnout for the Big Breakfast

Hazel Morris

Another record breaker thanks to everyone who came out on 29th May to the Big Breakfast at the Village Hall.

An amazing 94 Full English Breakfasts were prepared and served by our fantastic team of volunteers as well as all the individual orders for those who wanted to build their own breakfasts or simply have an extra hash brown or two. The tombola and raffle were also very popular and lots of people went away clutching their lovely prizes. The children were treated to Union Jack snap-on bangles and bubble-blowers and given colouring-in papers and pencils to while away their time while mum and dad caught up with friends. The atmosphere was jubilant with laughter ringing out around the hall all morning. Whilst we hadn't intended it to be a Jubilee event it turned into one anyway with bunting supplied by the WI and table decorations to finish the look and a wonderful picture board of the Queen showing her over the 70 years of her reign.

A big thank you to all the volunteers who helped before and during the event – it takes a lot of people to put on an event like this and it couldn't be done without this brilliant team. Special thanks to new members of the kitchen team – Nick, Sharon and Andy who stepped in at very short notice and did a fantastic job.

This is a community event, and it really brings people together but also helps raise funds for the upkeep of your Village Hall. I'm thrilled to report that we raised £799.84. To give you an idea of what this sort of money can do, it could fund half our annual heating costs less than that with the rising cost of oil (maybe now!).

Watch this space for the 200 Club announcement, date of the next Big Breakfast and some exciting news about upcoming improvements to your Village Hall.



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One woman, a harem and 1000 cows

Carolyn Paton

Now there's a title to conjure with! Could it possibly mean what it said? It was the title of Jane Brunt's talk to the WI in June, and had us all agog to know more.

It rapidly became apparent that the title did indeed describe her situation in 1977 when as a young mother with two small children, she decamped from Cornwall to accompany her husband to Rub-Al- Kahli in Saudi Arabia where he was to set up and manage the country's first dairy farm.

This project was only possible because of the abundant water available beneath the desert, and because of the vision and the means of Prince Mohamed. It was nonetheless an extraordinary experience on all fronts. Because of the speed at which the project was moving following Jane's husband's appointment, the family had to move within three weeks. There being no suitable personal accommodation for a wife and children immediately (their bungalow not yet being built) Jane and her boys moved in to the harem, and her husband into the bachelor block – home also to the forty-four mainly Irish farm workers who were also appointed.

Life within the Harem has left her with warm memories of her welcome. She managed to learn some Arabic which was useful then, and later on in fact, and experienced living in a new culture at very close quarters.

Eventually the family was able to be together in their own home, and we learned some of the details of how the farming project progressed, and the occasional drawbacks of life in a desert country – eg coping with sandstorms, and living with the unwelcome incursions of insect wildlife into the home.

Once fields of alfalfa had reached maturity, the 1000 heifer Friesian cows began to arrive from Australia – in groups of 250. They were housed in covered yards, and were sometimes hosed down for their comfort. They rapidly settled and produced first calves, and then milk, which found a ready market.

The children were of necessity home-schooled, and Jane seized any opportunity to extend the curriculum by involving visitors in explaining their purpose in coming. The visit of an entomologist proved of great interest.

There was contact too with local Bedouin – one family in particular stayed nearby, being allowed to use some of the unharvested alfalfa growing around the edges of the vast fields. Jane had enough language to communicate with the wife, who would

arrive by camel to visit, swathed in a voluminous pink headscarf which was recognised from afar as indication of the purpose of her arrival.

Entertainment was home-grown and it appears the Friday nights were regular community events with a variety of competitions and pastimes that Jane came up with. Any food resembling a Western cuisine was also home-made, a habit Jane has persisted with ever since. Illnesses were dealt with through Homeopathy with which she is very familiar; just as well, as there was no doctor on site. Christmas saw the bundling together of some scrub which served as a tree. After four years of this adventure, documented in slides, the family returned to the UK for the sake of the children's education and their need to socialise with their contemporaries. However, the offer of another similar post - this time in Libya, and with a small school and a professional teacher- proved too tempting, and they were off again; this time for seven years.

This flavour of a life quite outside the experience of most hearers proved riveting, and members were left in admiration of the dynamism of the family, and of Jane in particular. Thank you Jane.

As ever, the WI remains open to new members, and further information can be had from the President, Anne Geach 01458 253078

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Alison Cockrell

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The film won Will Smith an Oscar for his portrayal of Richard Williams.

Also stars: Aunjanue Ellis, Saniyya Sidney, Demi Singleton and Jon Bernthal.

Doors open at 7.00pm: show starts at 7.30pm in the Curry Rivel Village Hall. Tickets £7 are available at the door.



15 July 2022

Flower Show Returns

Kevin Loe

The Curry Rivel Flower Show returns on Sat 6th Aug 2022, 2.30-4.30pm in the Curry Rivel Village Hall

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Well, here we are

Jennie Browning

My husband Robert and I moved to Curry Rivel just over a year ago. We moved from Buckinghamshire, so it was quite an uprooting. We had been looking for properties in various parts of the South and South-West. Our daughter was very keen for us to move near to her in Dorset, but we didn't see anything that grabbed us. We looked at many properties in Dorset, Wiltshire, Oxfordshire and Somerset, but nothing ticked enough boxes. Then we came to Curry Rivel. We did a recce of the property before the official viewing and that was it – we were in love! As we were still in lockdown, the whole process took much longer than expected but we finally moved in – hurrah!

We love living in Curry Rivel; everyone is really friendly, and the pace of life is a little slower. It is also amazing to be able to just walk 100 yards down the road for fresh eggs. I can't claim that there aren't any downsides to completely changing the area where you live. Our daughter and her family live 1½ hours drive away and our other family members are 2+. With the price of petrol being literally highway robbery, we can't visit nearly as often as we would like.

I miss my friends and, having moved at a very difficult time, I have often been quite lonely. At the suggestion of our fantastic Village Agent, I started helping out at the local Food Bank and have made some very lovely friends. It has certainly helped me to get to know the area a little better and is always good fun.

While we were in Bucks, we successfully fought numerous development proposals. Many were by unscrupulous multi-millionaire developers, some trying to tempt residents by offering "affordable housing", "community enrichment" and "jobs for locals", all the normal mumbo-jumbo for making a profit at the expense of our open spaces. We have chosen to live in a beautiful area and hope that we don't have to fight to retain it yet again.

What we have managed to do so far, is to do extensive research into local Somerset cider and cheeses. Our verdict is – we like them a lot !!! We will of course continue researching all the local artisan products. Next cider please

Jubilee Weekend Bells

Patrick Rendell

Church bells were rung over the Jubilee weekend across the commonwealth, and the ringers of St. Andrew's church were among those taking part.

It was an opportunity for our youngest ringer, - Paddy Davies-Sowter (aged 9) to join in this historic ringing event. Paddy has only recently learned to ring and is now a regular at practices and on Sundays.

When Covid came along, ringing generally stopped for a period of time, and recruiting ceased.

It's now time to rebuild the team, and if you would like to learn, we hope to recruit a few more ringers by the end of the year.

We would particularly like to build a young people's band, age 9 and above, but would certainly welcome grown-ups too.

Ring Patrick Rendell on 253856 to get your name down.



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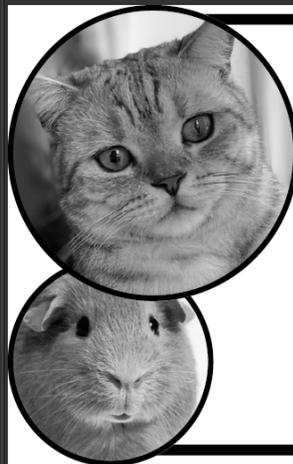
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All Change at the Parish Council

Tony Greenaway

The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council has just been held and there is a new Chairman, Marcus Hembrow. Marcus is the third generation of his family to serve on the Parish Council and looks forward serving the Parish and working alongside his fellow Councillors. Marcus has paid tribute to the outgoing Chairman Derek Yeomans.

“Derek has been a fantastic advocate and champion for Curry Rivel. He assumed the position of Chairman at a unique and difficult time when no one else wanted to take the role on. His period in office coincided with the impediments of Covid, Zoom Meetings and the retirement of the then Clerk Jenny Ludgate after some 34 years of Service”

“The healthy position of the Parish Council today with an excellent new Clerk and two unique environmental initiatives is down to his stewardship. At the recent Parish Elections Curry Rivel fielded 9 candidates for 9 councillor positions, sadly many neighbouring parishes were unable to fill their quota, a reflection of the quiet successes he achieved”

“In leaving his role it is fair to say that the Parish Council is in a far better position than when he took the role on. The Parish and community as a whole should be very grateful for all that he undertook and achieved in the most unique and difficult of times”

“Derek has much to offer and I and my fellow councillors look forward to working with him and continuing to benefit from his sage advice and experience”.

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Damien Cerri

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There will be lots of activities to keep children entertained including a massive bouncy slide, pony rides, face painting, teachers vs pupils netball match, mini games, tombola and a free hourly raffle! Most fun of all will be "splat the teacher". We will be running food and drink stalls selling local produce, BBQ, cakes, sweets and most important of all a Pimms and local Cider stall.

The PTA and school have waited a long time (due to covid) to hold this event and plan to make it the most fun and entertaining day for everyone.

All the proceeds from this event go back into Curry Rivel Primary School to arrange events and items which will enrich our children's education and also provide fun. Our previous events have enabled the PTA to provide playground markings, monkey bars, books for each class and the nursery, and external creative storytelling from Clive Pig to name just a few.

We have lots of inspiring and entertaining ideas planned for the next school year, but we can only do this with the support from you, by attending our events and having fun, we can do lots more for our School and children.

The PTA. x

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- What do you like most about CRN?
- What do you like least?
- What – if anything – do you think is missing?



Send your comments via emailing: curryrivelnews@gmail.com or drop a letter into Curry Rivel Post Office (no stamp required)

St. Andrew's Church

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We warmly welcome visitors and new members of the community to any of our services and other events.

July

Sunday 3rd

10.00 **FH** - All Age Family & Friends Service + refreshments
 11.15 **FH** - Said Communion CW
 6.00 pm **CR** - Evening Prayer

Thursday 7th

10.00 **CR OSR** - Holy Communion BCP

Sunday 10th

9.30 **SW** - Holy Communion BCP
 11.00 **CR** - Parish Communion CW

Tuesday 12th

10.00-12.00 **CR OSR** - Craft & Coffee

Saturday 16th

15.30-17.30 **CR OSR** Messy Church

Sunday 17th

9.30 **FH** - Morning Worship
 11.00 **CR** - All Age Family & Friends Service + refreshments
 12.15 **CR** - Said Communion CW

Thursday 21st

10.00 **CR OSR** - Holy Communion BCP

Sunday 24th

9.30 **FH** - Parish Communion
 11.00 **CR** - Morning Worship CW
 6.00 pm **SW** - Evensong BCP

Sunday 31st

10.00 **FH** - United Benefice Holy Communion

CR = St. Andrew's Church, Curry Rivel
FH = St. Martin's Church, Fivehead
SW = St. Catherine's Church, Swell

Scott's spot



Introducing the apprentice

It's not just Sir Alan Sugar who has an apprentice programme. Did you know that this is also something of a God thing? As we read our Bibles we find a recurring pattern of apprentices being prepared for future leadership. In the Old Testament Jethro nurtured Moses in readiness to face Pharaoh; Moses then prepared Joshua to lead God's people into the Promised Land; the Priest Eli guided the boy Samuel, and King David passed on his experiences to his son and heir Solomon. The same pattern continued in the New Testament, with the most obvious example being Jesus himself who shaped a diverse band of disciples into the foundations of his church. And as the Christian faith spread and grew, we read of further relationships of nurture. For example in the Bible books 1 and 2 Timothy we find letters of encouragement written by the Apostle Paul to a young church leader - Timothy.

So where's all this leading? Well, it's a way for me to bring you the exciting news that from early July our three Benefice churches are going to be welcoming a Training Curate and his family. Mark McKnight will be first licensed as a 'Lay Curate' in July and then Ordained (revved up!) in Wells Cathedral in October. If you have never heard of a 'Curate' before then the principle isn't very different from the biblical examples above.

From St. Andrew's Registers

Weddings

We wish them God's blessing at the start of married life

20th May - Emily Cowling and Joseph Wills

21st May - Chloe Finch and Joe Harris

Baptisms

We welcome into God's church

11th June

Albert Austin Williams

Frederick Willis and Rafferty Willis

Scott's Spot ctd. . .

Having completed his training at theological college, Mark will now be placed with us for effectively his 'on the job training'. Not unlike an NQT (Newly Qualified Teacher) or a Junior Doctor (minus the crazy hours) Mark will be getting to grips with the practical aspects of service-leadership within the Church of England, and whilst fully recognising that I am no Moses, David, Jesus (!) or Paul, I have been asked by the Diocese to be Mark's Training Incumbent. This responsibility and privilege is something that simultaneously fills me excitement and a sense of inadequacy!

As I've spoken about Mark's arrival, some have expressed surprise that, given the current post-Covid financial difficulties faced by our Diocese, and the job cuts this has precipitated, we shall suddenly have what appear to be two vicars in our small Benefice. I hope that the respective titles 'Training Incumbent' and 'Training Curate' shine a light on the primary purpose of Mark's time amongst us. Although Mark does bring much to our communities in terms of past experiences and future potential, he doesn't simply represent 'another pair of hands' as some might assume.

In a future publication I'll ask Mark to introduce himself and bring you something of his background story. But at this point I wanted to share with you this significant moment for our churches and community, and to suggest that, should you see a shiny new vicar walking around in the weeks ahead, you might consider introducing yourself and welcoming Mark and his family to our community.

With every blessing, Rev'd. Scott.

St. Andrew's Rotas July

Brass - Sue Randell

Flowers

2nd - Sue Randell
 9th - Displays for Curry Rivel in Bloom
 16th - Adrienne Holmes
 23rd & 30th - Sandra Hill

Cleaning

2nd - Nicky Barker
 9th - Liz Rendell
 16th - Lynne Comley
 23rd - Tina Geary
 30th - Wendy Graves



Curry Rivel Road Show

**Saturday 30th July
10.30 am - 4.00 pm
in the grounds of**

Burton Pynsent House

For details, see elsewhere in this month's issue.

Welcome !

Throughout the year our village, like every other village and town, has a steady influx of 'new' people as a result of houses being sold and new ones built (currently in Maple Road, between Stanchester Way and Dyers Road).

Before people decided to move here, many will have 'googled' Curry Rivel and found the Village website. There they will have read a variety of information about the local groups and their activities, the School, the Food Bank, the shops etc.

St. Andrew's, also listed on the Village website, has a 'Welcome Pack' which contains not only specific information about the Church and church life, but also about St. Martin's (in Fivehead), St. Catherine's (in Swell) and some other, general information about Curry Rivel.

If you are planning to 'meet and greet' someone who has recently become your neighbour or moved into a house near you, perhaps taking a Welcome Pack to them could be a suitable introduction. The packs, in A5 size, are available from St. Andrew's Churchwarden Mrs Tina Geary, tel. 01458 - 259003

United Reformed Church



July

Services are taking place at 10.30 in our Chapel and simultaneously on Zoom **

- Sunday 3rd** - Jenny and Tony Potts
- Sunday 10th** - to be arranged
- Sunday 17th** - Rev Tim Richards
- Sunday 24th** - Rev Evelyn Ridout
- Sunday 31st** - Mrs Alison Reed Richards

**** Anyone** unable to attend in person who would like to feel part of a worshipping community is invited to join with us -from any denomination or none; simply email Steve Beney on sbeney6@gmail.com expressing your interest and he will make contact with you to explain how you can join with us on Sundays @ 10:30 am.

We are an inclusive, outward looking group of people and we welcome all: wherever you are on your life/spiritual journey we welcome you without regard to age, gender, denominational background, sexual orientation, race or ability. We respect the traditions of our past, engage with present and look forward to the future, believing that Christian truth is not contained in static prepositional statements but is ever changing and constantly evolving. Tea/coffee is served after every service providing the opportunity to meet and chat with each other and the preacher

Minister: Rev. Tim Richards
01458 252799



A View from the Orchard.....

I read on a social media post recently that it is as long from 1918 to 1970 as it is from 1970 to 2022 which got me thinking. We see our own lives unfolding within a particular time frame as if that time frame is all there is, at least we do when we are younger, but as the hymn says so accurately, 'time is an ever-rolling stream'. The question which arises for me is 'what do we do with our life given the time stream we are born into?'

Another saying goes 'those who forget the past are condemned to repeat it'. Condemnation implies it is the mistakes made in the past that will be hauntingly repeated rather than the glories.

Last month we celebrated the Royal Jubilee: what an astonishing achievement, seventy years of duty and of quiet yet undeniable leadership offered by Elizabeth II. The feeling in the country was palpable and don't tell me, even if you consider yourself an old curmudgeon, you didn't raise a smile at tea with Paddington!

The Royal family is far from perfect; what would once have been concealed from us is now made clear in the press, their own fractured lives played out like some lurid soap- opera. Yet it is because of this, not in spite of it, that I find comfort in the knowledge I was born into this time stream in which I have only ever known Her Majesty as our Queen. The ancient words of scripture provide us with the personification of wisdom as a Woman, offering guidance and practical advice for our lives; the Queen's faith has been one of the abiding strengths and guiding factors in the way she has conducted herself. Not simply a crutch of support during difficult times Faith has shown itself to be deeply real, evidenced in wisdom as a very real presence in her majesty's life.

I know that faith is not for everyone, but if you ever find yourself wanting to talk more about it then you know where to find me.

Yours,

Rev. Tim.



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Don't Forget the Forget-Me-Not Café!

Hazel Morris

The Forget-Me-Not café runs every Tuesday afternoon at the village hall and we were pleased to re-open our doors earlier this year.

The number of visitors is gradually increasing but there is room for more. It's an afternoon intended for not only those who may have memory challenges but also for anyone who might like some company or to simply get out of the house for a couple of hours. We kick off the afternoon with some activities such as skittles or kurling and if there's time before tea and cake, we might play a game of dominoes or have a round or two of bingo (with prizes!). The activities aren't compulsory - visitors can sit back and cheer the players on if they prefer to be spectators. The afternoon is rounded off by a good old fashioned sing-along led by one of our volunteer musicians and always ending with We'll Meet Again.

We had an amazing afternoon on 31st May when we celebrated the Platinum Jubilee. Flag waving to music followed by a fabulous spread of scones, meringues and cakes all washed down with a Bucks Fizz (or cup of tea...). The afternoon was rounded off by a very entertaining performance by Take Note a choir of local singers. It really



FMN Cafe Jubilee

was a special afternoon and everyone had a great time.

If you'd like to come along, the doors open at 2.30pm every Tuesday at Curry Rivel Village Hall. If you have any questions about the café please contact Adrienne on 01458 252710 or Chris on 01458 396123.

Could you spare a Tuesday afternoon once every few weeks? The café is run by a team of volunteers and we could do with a few more helpers. You don't have to commit to every week as we work on a rota basis. If you'd like to volunteer or find out more about what's involved please contact Adrienne or Chris on the numbers above.



FMN Café Take Note



Includes refreshments, activities, crafts, a bible message, songs and a meal

Saturday July 16th
3.30-5.30pm in
The Old School Room

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WARNING

All the below events are subject to cancellation at short notice due to the Corona virus epidemic please contact each group for details.....Keep well, Keep safe



Regular Events

MONDAY		
10.00	Art Club	Village Hall
10.00	Table Tennis (kevlo@outlook.com)	Village Hall
6.00	Pilates	Primary School
6.45	Explorer Scouts	Scout Hall, Langport
TUESDAY		
10.00	Craft & Coffee (2nd only)	Old School Room
10.00	Keep Fit (nicky.barker1@btinternet.com)	Village Hall
2.30	Forget-Me-Not-Café	Village Hall
4.30	Rainbows/Brownies	Drayton Village Hall
5.45	Pilates	Primary School
6.00	Cub Pack	Scout Hall, Langport
6.30	Rangers	URC Hall
6.30	Langport Youth Club	Ridge way Hall
7.00	Short Mat Bowls	Village Hall
7.30	Sedgemoor Garden Club (2nd only)	All Saints Hall L'port
WEDNESDAY		
9.30	Yoga	Village Hall
5.30	Beavers	Scout Hall, Langport
6.30	Cycling Club	Bridge Cafe
6.45	Scouts	Scout Hall, Langport
7.30	Bell Ringing	St. Andrews
THURSDAY		
10.00	WI (2nd only)	Village Hall
2.00	Short Mat Bowls	Village Hall
6.30	Yoga	Village Hall
7.30	Parish Council (1st only)	
FRIDAY		
9.30-2	Get Together Club	Village Hall
7.30	Movie Night (3rd only)	Village Hall
SATURDAY		
9.00	Cycling Club	Bridge Cafe

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Some Useful Telephone Numbers

Youth Organisations	
Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorer Scouts (gslthelevelsscouts@gmail.com)	
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Brownies	251953
Rangers	252901
Langport Youth Club	0793 899 338
Sports Clubs	
Short Mat Bowls Club	251201
Cricket Club	01823 698849 & 01458 252791
Social	
Flower Show	250311
Out & About	0788 737 7942
Royal British Legion	01460 281115
Twinning Association	01460 281905
Women's Institute	253078
Rotary Club of Langport & Somerton	252813
Sedgemoor Garden Club	250091
Heale Lane Allotment Association	741880
Curry Rivel in Bloom	762296
Get Together Club	252791
Health Walks	250725
Mother and Baby	07732 197030
Forget-Me-Not-Café	252710 & 396123
Inner Wheel	251940
Arts	
Entertainers	250311
Music Club	250863
Art Club	253126
Community Facilities	
Food Bank (help@curryrivel.org.uk)	0771 6792760
Village Hall (crvhbookings@gmail.com)	07871 431706
Old School Room Bookings (crosrbookings@gmail.com)	250655/253856
United Reformed Church Hall - Bookings etc.	259391
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Doctors	250464
Police	101
Yarlington Housing	01935 404500
Footpath & Litter Warden	johncasebourne@sky.com
Education	
Little Pips	252822
Primary School	251404
Huish Episcopi Academy	250501
Huish Episcopi Leisure Centre	251055
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District Council	0 1935 462462
County Council	0300 123 2224
Religious	
Church of England Rector	251375
Churchwarden	259003
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Flower Guild	252710
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Amy



Anna



Harry



Clemmie



Dylan



Grace



Lexi



Kahlee



Molly



Rylee



Jessica



Tyler

The children at Curry Rivel Primary School were invited to create a portrait of themselves wearing a crown as part of the Jubilee celebrations. Ailsa, Amy, Anna, Clemmie, Dylan, Grace, Harry, Jessica, Kahlee, Lexi, Molly, Rylee and Tyler took up the challenge and, as you can see, produced some delightful portraits.