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To
Enlightenment?
Doctor????



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A WEEK IN THE PARISH HALL

Mondays	FOOD AND FITNESS CLASS	9.30 - 12.30pm	Emma Healey Tel. 07969 900794
Mondays (except Bank Holidays)	BINGO	Eyes Down at 7.45pm	Meat Bingo, Raffles, Snowball.
Tuesdays	GENTLE KEEP FIT	9.45 - 10.45am	Call Jane on 366413 £3.50p per session
Tuesdays	LINE DANCING	7.15 - 10.00pm	Paula Benford Tel. 01392 210830
Tuesdays (Fortnightly)	YOUNG FARMERS CLUB	8.00 - 10.00pm	Rob Davie - Sec. 07801597703 Georgina Davie - Chair. 07801273424
Last Wednesday of Month	ART GROUP	6.45 - 10.00pm	in the Club Room
Wednesdays	PARENT & TODDLER GROUP	9.30 - 11.30AM	Emily Ricard Tel. 01392 851899
1st Wednesday of Month (Quarterly)	GARDENING CLUB	7.30 - 9.30pm	Jane Timlett Tel. 01392 851361
3rd Wednesday of Month	HISTORY GROUP	7.30 - 9.30pm	Jean Wilkins Tel. 01392 851337
1st Thursday of Month	PARISH COUNCIL	7.30 - 9.30pm	All are welcome
Thursdays	FOOD AND FITNESS CLASS	9.30 - 11.00am	Emma Healey Tel. 07969 900794
Fridays	MARTIAL ARTS	6.00 - 7.00pm	Dave Powlesland PUMA Taekwondo & Little PUMAs Tel. 07802 855852
Fridays	TABLE TENNIS	7.15 - 9.45pm	Just turn up £2 per session (£1 Children)
1st Saturday of Month (usually)	COFFEE MORNING	10.30 - 12.00 noon	Run by the Church and other village Groups/Organisations

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Please contact Gerry Radford on 01392 851504 or email paul.radford3@btinternet.com.

If you move away it can be posted for an additional £5 p.a.

Work on Station Road



Work started on 13th March preparing the site for the development of 25 new houses and the new school. To start a record of the progress of the changes taking place to our world Chris Southcott took a couple of pictures of Station Road as it was before work started. Within the first few days the trees beside Court

Orchard were gone.

We will attempt to keep our readers up to date with pictures as the changes take shape.

As we went to press work had just started on widening the narrow part between Court Orchard and the A377.



It appears that there will remain a narrow section very close to the main road which will be controlled by clear lines and signs giving priority to traffic coming from the A377. Whether this will work is anybody's guess. Devon Highways clearly thinks it will.

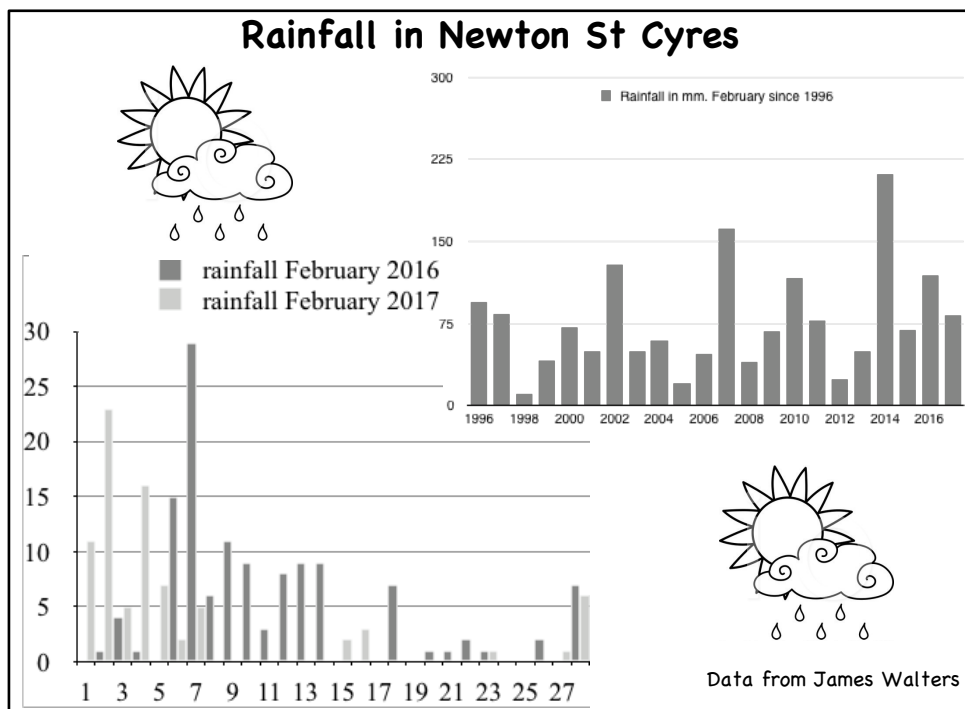
High speed train from Okehampton to Paddington

A group of railway enthusiasts seeking to promote the virtues of the Tavistock and Okehampton route from Plymouth to Exeter chartered the GWR's flagship train, that's the one with the new green livery, to run from Okehampton to Paddington. They wanted to show that there would be a demand and that it is a viable alternative to the Dawlish route. Your editor got up early and was out on the platform in the wind, cold and rain waiting to take a picture of the train roaring through, Scheduled for 08:24. By ten past nine it had still not arrived and a nearby enthusiast said "trouble with the rear power car its still in Crediton". So I took the picture and went home for breakfast. It came by very slowly whilst I was having breakfast. I understand that the passengers got onto another train and continued to Paddington.



The Chain Story

We were disappointed that the story of Tom Pulgar seemed to have come to an end. However a new contributor, Maddie Dere, has sent another part which is on page 44. To read the rest look at last year's Newton Wonders or, much easier look at the website:- <http://www.newtonwonder.net/chain-story.html>. To find it look at the "more" dropdown menu. If you feel the muse the just email your writings to me.



Parish Council report March 2017

Seven Councillors were joined by Cllr Peter Hare-Scott (MDDC) and later by Cllr Margaret Squires (DCC) for the March meeting of the Parish Council.

Police Report. (February 2017) Incidents reported included: Road traffic collision with altercation; concern for welfare on A377; pony on road; road traffic accident - car into wall; bad driving on A377; intruder in garden; domestic incident; concern for welfare, female in distress on A377. Crimes recorded included: 1 x driving a motor vehicle when above the alcohol limit; 1 x criminal damage; 2 x burglary - non dwelling. The Police believe the burglaries are connected to the spate of burglaries overnight between 21st and 22nd February across the Crediton area. The Police are asking that residents make sure that sheds etc. are securely locked and checked regularly. Any high value items should be marked and numbers recorded. PCSO Nicola Payne thanked the members of the public who take the time to call the Police when they see a situation that concerns them. She can be contacted for non-urgent matters on her email: Nicola.payne@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk or by calling 101 to receive a log number.

Matters raised by the public. Parking is still a problem in Half Moon lay-by and letters have been delivered to all households in the area. Cllr Squires will follow up the request for the Enforcement Officers to check when they pass through on their way to Crediton. Fly tipping is also a problem and some down Station Road had been reported to MDDC and subsequently removed. Fly tipping had also taken place over the hedge in Lilly Lane and had been reported.

Speed Camera. The Chairman reported that he had arranged to visit the parish in Gloucestershire where a permanent speed camera had been installed and which recorded speeds by vehicles 24/7. The system appears to work in a similar way to the present Speed Watch operating in the parish but without the need for anyone having to set up the camera and be in situ. Cllr Baker will report back to the April meeting on his findings.

General matters around the parish. It was noted that the notice board at Tytheing Close needs repairing and a new larger board had been ordered for Sand Down Lane. The lamp post outside the Hall had been painted and the glass shades need cleaning.

Cllr Parker will treat the grass on the Village Green and prune the tree nearest to the entrance to Pump Street.

A new tenant had been found for an allotment and notices would be displayed about how to look after resident's chickens, ducks etc. during the restrictions imposed as a result of the Avian Flu outbreak. Parishioners are asked to be vigilant and report any deviation to the rules to Trading Standards.

The Friends of the Arboretum had received £1,000 from the collection at Tesco and intended to explore the idea of disabled access to the Arboretum. The Friends are also planning a 'dog mess awareness day' on the 18th March. The Parish Council agreed to

purchase a quantity of Dog mess disposable bags and have these available FREE OF CHARGE at the Parish Surgeries on the first Saturday of each month (in conjunction with the planned Coffee Mornings).

Parish Plan Actions. Groups and Clubs are to be asked about their requirements for volunteers, the time involved and any special times involved. Organisers are asked to contact Roger Wilkins with lists on 851337. Roger will then compile a list of these requirements and circulate it to those who have shown an interest in volunteering in the parish.

Red Telephone Boxes. The Parish Council now owns the telephone box at the Station and will shortly take responsibility for the box in the middle of the village. The box at the Station will become a Book Swap Shop and Cllr Chris Southcott will be looking after this. Cllr Southcott has already received a good quantity of books and will rotate the stock to keep the selection fresh. The box in the village will eventually house the defibrillator which at present is attached to the Crown & Sceptre plus a few shelves to hold a Book Swap.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Thursday 6th April at 7.30 pm in the Clubroom of the Parish Hall. Everyone is invited to attend and bring along queries and comments.

The next Parish Surgery will be held in conjunction with the Coffee Morning in the Parish Hall on Saturday 1st April (10.30 am to 12.00 noon). The Coffee Mornings are a sociable event with stalls and a raffle to enjoy and an opportunity to talk to the Councillor on duty

Date for your Diary . The Annual Parish Meeting will be held in the Parish Hall on Thursday 27th April at 7.30 pm. There will be an input about Broadband coverage in the parish and one from Cllr John Daw, Chairman of Mid Devon District Council. Coffee/tea and biscuits will be available and there will be displays from various groups in the village. Notices will be displayed in the notice boards nearer the time.

Cllr Jill Baker, Press Officer

FREE DOG MESS BAGS

**The Parish Council are offering
FREE dog mess bags
to dog owners in the parish.**

**These will be available at the monthly surgeries.
Please remember to put the full Bag in the red
bins and not up in the hedge!**

Newton St Cyres Gardening Club

GARDENING CLUB OUTINGS

The Gardening Club are arranging three outings during the spring and summer months

The first outing is to

**HAYNE BARTON
GARDENS, ZEAL
MONACHORUM**

ON
SUNDAY 30th APRIL

These gardens feature in the NGS Yellow Book and they are opening up especially for us!



The cost is £8.50 to include entry fee and a Cream Tea

We will meet in the car park to sort out lifts at 2.00pm.

Please let David Baker know if you would like to join the party by phoning 01392 851752 or email: davidbaker687@btinternet.com
NO LATER THAN 23rd APRIL 2017

Future Outings planned are:

**Saturday 17th June. Visit to Burrow Farm
Gardens** near Axminster with a Cream Tea. Burrow Farm features in the NGS Yellow Book too.

Saturday 8th July. Another visit to **John West's
Nursery** with a Cream Tea.

This is always a popular visit and numbers are limited so it will have to be first come, first served.

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Thursday 6.00pm

RECREATION GROUND CLUB

Primroses in the front garden Daffodils in the back it must be Spring, but the cloudy skies and the bitter cold winds makes it feel like winter has yet to go away.

April and August are my personal worst months for being busy as both months cross over from one sport to another April from Football to Cricket and August from Cricket to Football. This year is following this pattern as we have both football and Cricket all through the month of April.

We start the month with our meeting on Sunday 2nd at 7.30.

The Darts and Skittles have completed their leagues so the evenings in the Club house will be very quiet for a few months.

It may be more complicated to get things played for any of the sports as we have been notified that station road will be closed from Mid March to Mid April, We have told all the teams so hopefully they will tell all their players to find alternative ways to get to the Rec.

We have nothing special booked for Easter, but it is several weeks away so its possible that something could get booked in.

Wendy Lewis



Newton St Cyres FC – April 2017 Update

In Devon and Exeter Premier Division the Firsts have moved up one place to 13th of 15 teams following a 7 - 2 win away to Bow. - W5, D5, L13. The Reserves, who play in Devon and Exeter Division 5, have moved up to 8th of 13 teams - W5, D5, L10 following a 1 - 0 win away to Alphington and haven't lost since the last report. There is now optimism that both teams should escape relegation - great credit to the coaches and players

The under-15's top the Exeter and District Youth League Division 3 and if Brixington lose their next game will win the league with three games still to play - W6, D1, L0. Yesterday they shared 14 goals with Chudleigh in a hard-fought friendly.

The under-10's, under-9's, under 8's and under 7's have been showing great commitment, especially training in very cold weather, and promise a great future for the club and its offer of active sport to all ages.

Roger Furniss

NEWTON RAMBLERS

Sunday 23rd April

The Newton Ramblers walk for April will start from Harpford near Newton Poppleford and will be a circular walk of about 4 miles following the River Otter.

We will meet in the Newton St Cyres Parish Hall Car Park at **9.30 am** and take the minimum number of cars to Harpford where we can park near the church. We will start by crossing the river and several fields heading firstly for Venn Ottery. We then climb up to some good views towards Ottery St Mary. After returning to the river we pass through Tipton Vale and along the bank back to Harpford.



The walk is mainly along footpaths and a few quiet lanes, there are a couple of hills and it may be a little muddy.

All welcome. Any queries to Nigel or Rosemary Chambers on 01392 851400.

Please note that anyone joining these walks obviously does so at their own risk.

Newton St Cyres Tennis Club



Spring and lighter evenings are in the air, summer season match fixtures are arranged and our six teams are now practicing.

At our recent AGM at the end of February the Wimbledon draw was made and those first out of the hat will receive Wimbledon tickets once they are allocated by the LTA. Our Dudley Errington Memorial Trophy was presented to Rachel Dowle for her continuing improvement and highest match success rate out of all the ladies in 2016. Congratulations to Rachel!

Membership subscriptions are coming up at the end of March with discounts for those paying before the end of the month. The Club is always looking to attract new members, and welcomes people to come and try us out for a couple of club sessions before making a decision. We are a friendly club running a variety of daytime and evening sessions, attracting a range of age and abilities. We also offer both junior and adult coaching with our coach Toby Harradence, and the opportunity to play competitive tennis in local leagues and within the Club. Please see our website www.newtonstcyrestennisclub.co.uk or contact our membership secretary Laura Leigh on 01647 24259 for any enquiries.

Newton St Cyres Tennis Club



New members welcome – call Laura Leigh on 01647 24259 for further information.

Junior coaching on Wednesday afternoons during term time. Spaces available now for the summer term programme – call Viv Baber on 01392 681180 for further information.

Or visit our website –
www.newtonstcyrestennisclub.co.uk

Village Martial Artists Hit 'em for 8 at Plymouth!

Congratulations to Alex Carder (13yrs) and the Dynamic Duo, aka the Meakin-Lee mom and daughter tag-team, on their medal success at the

Taekwondo Southern Championships held in Plymouth, 5th March '17. Alex (1st degree BB) had a busy day (backed up by supporting mom Chris) secured a gold in Bo Staff (Jang Bong) patterns, a silver in Sparring and a silver medal in TKD. He also teaches Bo Staff to students at the Lords Meadow on a Sunday morning after TKD training. Many of those students, including the Dynamic Duo, have successfully graded in Jang bong thanks to his input. He's a mean



twirler. Alex is pictured with 4th degree instructor, Mr. Dave Powlesland.



Meanwhile, the Dynamic Duo, consisting of British champion Annabelle Meakin-Lee and her assistant (I mean mother) gained silver in Patterns, Sparring and Musical Patterns; plus gold in Sparring and Patterns respectively. Annabelle made one mistake in each of patterns and musical patterns that cost her gold, such was the high standard of competition. She did however, do very well, considering that her opponents were older, one being 13yrs to her 9yrs. Her mother, the veritable Dr. Jude Meakin (age unspecified!)

gave a very good account of herself in sparring, having used the last year to improve stamina and leg strength. When it came to kicking and punching her opponents, she was not found wanting – don't mess with Newton ladies! Special thanks from both of them go to coaches on the day, Laura Mullen (former World Champion) and Daniel Delonge-Brennan, the latter made the crucial call of 'turning kick!', that secured Jude's gold. Laura was super important in Annabelle's fights, giving great advice and encouragement to the wee bairn from the side-lines. Left to Right: Annabelle, Laura and Jude -

These students practice Taekwondo every Friday evening at our village hall with Dave Powlesland (4th degree instructor). All of the public (of any age and ability) are welcome to train and beginners attend free for the first month as a taster with no commitment necessary. You don't need any equipment, just a t-shirt and tracky bottoms; so give it a try. DSL.

From the Village Diary - newtonwonder.net

April 2017

Sat 1st Parish Hall Coffee Morning and Parish Surgery 10.30 am Parish Hall
 Thurs 6th Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm Club Room Parish Hall
 Sun 16th Easter Sunday 9.30 am Church
 Tues 18th Bingo fundraiser host Newton St Cyres YFC at Thorverton Memorial Hall.
 Doors open 7pm, eyes down 7.30pm. More info contact Georgina
 07801273424.
 Wed 26th History Group
 Medicine in Devon in the 18th and 19th Centuries -7.30 pm Parish Hall
 Andrew Knox
 Thurs 27th Annual Parish Meeting 7.30 pm Parish Hall
 Sun 30th Gardening Club
 Visit to Hayne Barton Gardens, Zeal Monachorum, with a Cream Tea,
 Details later.

May 2017

Thurs 4th Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm Club Room Parish Hall
 Sat 6th Church Coffee Morning and Parish surgery 10.30am Parish Hall
 Sat 11th **A Cappella Group - Notarioty - and supper** 7.30pm Parish Hall

June 2017

Thurs 1st Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm Club Room Parish Hall
 Sat 3rd Twinning Circle Coffee Morning & Parish Surgery 10.30am Parish Hall
 Sat 17th Gardening Club
 Visit to Burrow Farm, Axminster, with a CreamTea, Details later.
 Sun 18th **Patronal Festival in Church** at 11 am & **Lunch** afterwards in the Parish Hall
 Sat 24th **Midsummer Fest at the Arboretum** The Second midsummer event
 support the Church, the Parish Hall and the Arboretum

July 2017

Sat 1st Church Coffee Morning & Parish Surgery 10.30am Parish Hall
 Thurs 6th Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm Club Room Parish Hall
 Sat 8th Gardening Club
 Visit to John West's Nursery, with a Cream Tea, Details later.

August 2017

Sat 5th Craft Club Coffee Morning & Parish Surgery 10.30am Parish Hall
 Sun 20th Cream Teas 3.30pm Parish Hall

For further and more recent diary entries and previous entries please go to the website:
www.newtonwonder.net

To have your event(s) listed in the Village Diary please use the box on the webpage or
 email details of your event(s) with times and venues to editor@newtonwonder.net

Newton St Cyres Primary School



have arranged a BAG2SCHOOL collection for
Tuesday 25th April

Bag2School is a company that specialises in good quality second hand clothing that can be re-used. All bags of donated clothes are weighed and the school is paid for the total weight collected.

The following can be donated: good quality adults' and children's clothing, paired shoes, hats, belts, handbags, ties and soft toys.

This is a great opportunity to sort through your wardrobe and get rid of your unwanted clothes!

Please bring your donations direct to school before 9am on 25th April or if you would like a collection call Kate Anstey on 851190

Thank you for any support you are able to give!

NEWTON St CYRES PARISH HALL



COFFEE MORNING

SAT 1 APR 2017

Parish Hall

10.30 to 12.00

All welcome

Proceeds for Hall

Do You Remember?.....April

April 1977

A trial session of the Mother and Toddler group was planned with a view to establishing permanent meetings.

The Primary School said that education cuts were being felt and appealed to parents to help with fund raising.

The Newton Wonder is now being duplicated at the school.

The Arts Group were given a talk by a representative from Bearnese Auctioneers on valuing and selling paintings.

The 200 Club invited all collectors and supporters to a Cheese and Wine party at the Crown and Sceptre, when the 'Big Draw' would take place.

The Court Orchard Estate advertised for a window cleaner.

The Sports Page reported a frustrating time with bad weather causing many matches being postponed.

April 1987

This edition of the Newton Wonder included articles, comments and drawings from the pupils of the village school.

The Annual Parish meeting was attended by very few parishioners. It was reported that the Castlands/Ford Farm road improvement would not be considered for some years.

The possibility has been discussed of reviving the Flower and Vegetable Show combined with an arts and crafts exhibition to be held in September.

The Devonshire Ringers rang a peal of Lincoln Surprise Major at the church.

April 1997

The school is looking into the possibility of building a new classroom to cater for extra children.

Quicke's farm has been awarded the national standard of 'Investors in People'

The Parish Hall reported an urgent need for more committee members.

The Twinning Circle is preparing for the annual exchange visit from Rots.

The Parish Council reported that Devon County Council has agreed to erect flashing lights and provide a crossing patrol at the school. Parents are asked not to block bus stops, Tytheing Close and Sand Down Lane with their cars.

April 2007

The Recreation Ground Club is at last catching up on football games postponed due to bad weather.

The school had a visit from the community policeman. He was keenly quizzed by the pupils about his work, but best of all was a close inspection of his car and seeing how the siren worked.

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Stoke Hill & North Dartmoor Beagles

FAMILY DOG SHOW

Sunday, 30th April, 2017

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How well do you know your village?

Chris Southcott has supplied the picture below. He has asked the following questions:-

- 1. WHEN was the picture taken?**
- 2. WHERE was it taken?**
- 3. WHO are the people in the picture?**

No. 11

Looking for volunteers



**For a closer look see our website:-www.newtonwonder.net
On the Home Page you will find all the quiz photos so far,
some in full colour, and an easy link to submit your answers.**

Newton St Cyres toddler group

Come along and join us every Wednesday in term time, lots of great toys to play with. Stories to enjoy, craft session and activities to try. It is great family fun.

Our family sessions are £2 a time and run from 9:30-11:30am. The price includes a drink and a snack.

We would love you to join us in Newton St Cyres Village hall.



Contact:

Emily Ricard

01392 851899

simon_rickardo@hotmail.com
or see our facebook page

Newton Nappies



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NEWTON ST CYRES HISTORY GROUP

Force and Sons have been in business in Exeter for over 220 years, and although latterly they have been most well known as estate agents, they were involved in other areas of operation in the past. David Force and his brother Stephen run the business at the moment, and David came to talk to us on Wednesday 18th January for our first meeting of 2017. He lives and works in Dawlish, although he grew up and was educated in Exeter. His interests have led him to involvement in the town and its museum, and he is now finishing his book on the history and buildings of Dawlish.



He explained how estate agency evolved over the years. Its beginnings were in the 18th century when home ownership was rare. Large landowners had houses and estates and they needed managers to run the daily business of looking after their affairs. When properties changed hands they needed an auctioneer to handle the sale. As time progressed and wealth grew, smaller house and landowners such as wealthy business people, also needed an estate manager and the services of an auctioneer. Eventually the growth of individual property ownership meant that house agency for the general public developed.

There are several family firms in the Exeter area such as Helmores, Whitton and Laing and Fulfords, but Force are the oldest established ones still in family ownership. The firm was started in 1790 by John Force, who came from a family of traders in Dawlish. He set up premises in Cathedral Yard as an auctioneer, and David showed us an original poster from 1825 advertising the sale by John Force at auction of a Freehold Brewery with its attendant pubs and premises. Interestingly, Force and Sons sold the same premises again in the late 1980s although by then it had changed usage. John Force worked in a Georgian city very different from the present Exeter. The population was around 20,000 and the town was compact and surrounded by villages such as Whipton and Pinhoe, which are now part of the city. The economy was still strongly agricultural and sanitation and water supplies were primitive even though Exeter was the sixth largest town in England. John had fourteen children, including three sets of twins, but they did not all survive to adulthood. His seventh child, Charles, joined the business and set up as a house agent in 1820 from premises in Sidwell Street, just outside the city wall.

Soon after, in 1825, Charles started to diversify into undertaking, building and shop fitting, sanitation and electrical engineering. These areas of the business were pursued for the next 150 years until the 1960s, when the undertakers was the final department to be closed and the firm concentrated on estate agency and auctioneering, which David still does. Over time the city grew in size and population, and stagecoach transport gave way to railways. This of course made business much easier, as a property agent could then move around more easily, without having to go on horseback or stage. The horse tramway in Exeter was introduced in 1882, but the last one ran in 1905 when electric ones took over and David described how William Sidney Force, a Mason, Father of the Council and Justice of the Peace, had opposed this change.

In 1970, the lovely late Queen Anne building in Sidwell Street, which had been the Force offices since 1820, were due for demolition for the rebuilding which was planned for the area. Billy Force, David's uncle, who had run the shop fitting department, died in the 1990s and it was then that he and his brother went into their uncle's shed to deal with the seven or eight large boxes and trunks of records which they knew were stored there. The archive proved to be a very useful and valuable record of the city. For instance, Victorian house particulars were so detailed that they showed all the gardens, greenhouses and even flower beds, very helpful to a lady who was researching Victorian gardens. Much of the material was given to the County Archive, but David kept sale posters, letters, photos and business cards and leaflets, which we were able to look at during and after the meeting.

The First World War inevitably caused a general downturn in business, as the men marched away, transactions slowed down and money was scarce. This and the depression that followed threatened the future of the firm, but by this time the new generation was going off to train and gain experience in London and elsewhere. David's grandfather came back from London and through the sale of a hotel in Bournemouth, where 'Uncle Billy' had been working, was able to make enough profit to put the business back on its feet and continue. The Second World War again was hard, but Force's range of activities made for resilience and the rebuilding afterwards brought work and enabled businesses to thrive again.

David himself began to work for the family firm during his school holidays at the age of 7 or 8, stuffing envelopes with particulars. During his working life, the pace has changed from one where coffee with the local bank manager, lunch at home, and tea and chat have given way to a very commercial and cut throat world. Once people in similar local businesses would meet in the pub on a Friday night to discuss the week, but now things are too competitive for this.

David is an experienced and relaxed speaker, well able to entertain and educate at the same time. He gave his talk with plenty of photographs and interesting historic material, which was passed around, such as business cards and auction posters. His reminiscences and the stories about his family and forbears were informative, interesting and amusing. During questions he commented on how the internet has changed the nature of the business, and yet to be really effective, personal skill and knowledge are still necessary, and hopefully the following generations of Forces will adapt and survive as their ancestors have done so successfully. We would like to thank David for such an interesting evening.

Isobel Hepworth

Meetings will be held on a WEDNESDAY evening

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Apr 26th	Medicine in Devon in the 18th and 19th centuries	Andrew Knox
	June Outing to be arranged	
Sept 20th	The Italian Garden at Ambrook	Angela Dodd Crompton
Oct 18th	Family History and Archaeology	Peter Marsden
Nov 15th	Some Tales of Duels since 1760	David Pugsley

NEWTON ARBORETUM WINS PRIZE

Many of you might have seen the 'Bags of Help' competition a few weeks ago in Tesco stores in the area. We got the third prize of £1000 and wish to thank the many people who voted for the entry from the Arboretum.

This scheme is funded from receipts from the sale of polythene bags in the stores and organisations can put up projects that will improve the environment or its appreciation. Short-listed projects are then voted for in the stores, with a maximum prize of £5000.

The project we put forward was to enhance the Arboretum by providing improved wheelchair access and setting up an information trail for children. We will be discussing how we can best use the prize for this purpose adding some of our present funds to the project. Many thanks to Tesco.

ARBORETUM EVENTS

Visit to University Grounds and Gardens

We have arranged a special conducted tour to these fine grounds for Friends of the Arboretum on Wed 5 April. We will meet at the Hall Car Park at 9.40 prompt to consolidate cars and get to Reed Hall for tea or coffee at 10.00. The tour will finish at 12 noon. There may be some spaces left. Please ring or email me. There is a charge of £5.

Tours of Arboretum and AGM on Wed 17 May

This will follow the pattern of previous years, with two alternative tours of the Arboretum followed by tea and biscuits in the Parish Hall and then the formal AGM. We will assemble in the Hall car park at 6.30 pm. Frances Griffiths will lead a tour that will provide insight to lower plants (mosses, liverworts and lichens) in the Arboretum. The second tour will be led by members of the Arboretum Committee and will look at recent plantings of ferns and trees in the Arboretum and how some of our specimen trees have responded to reduction in shading. More details in next month's Newton Wonder.

A charge of £2 will be made for people participating in the tour who are not subscribing Friends – but pay your £10 on the day and the tour will be free! We have more than 80 Friends and their help makes a vital contribution to the upkeep and improvement of the Arboretum – an outstanding village facility.

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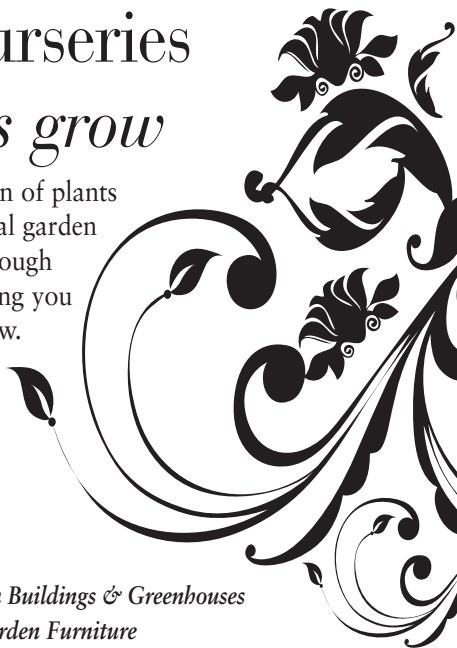
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April on the Farm

April is when the whole of spring roars into gear. The sun is in the same place as it is in August, so there's been plenty of light to drive growth. Up to now, our cool northern ocean has kept the lid on the temperatures, and that has limited what is willing to grow (who wants to stick their most tender parts out into a chilly east wind?). The stronger sunlight means plants just can't help themselves growing, and we are off on the wild, bacchanalian frenzy of spring.

Hedgerows explode with Queen Anne's Lace, the primroses plants covered with flowers, far from prim, like wedding bouquets. Bluebells coat damper woodland. Britain has half the world's bluebells, and it's a wonderful treat to catch that evanescent hyacinth scent on the breeze. Wild garlic is at its fullest, stinking lily, for the most delicious wild-gathered soup. Blackthorn flowers dress the bare black branches like a sumptuous gown, the promise of sloes to come. Sticky grass runs rampant. Last year I made a surprisingly tasty herb tea with that and nettles that reminded me of spring all year long. If green tastes of something, it would be that.

Fat bunny babies appear, put on the earth seemingly to provide badgers, foxes and buzzards plenty of tender meat for their own young. Deer babies hide up in undergrowth in the woods, while their mothers graze to make the milk to feed them. Deer keep safe by their remarkable speed and ability to jump and it takes awhile before the long-legged delicate fawns are fleet enough to keep up.

Our crops hear the beat of the dance and start growing, spreading leaves first to cover the ground to harvest all the sunshine, then reach to the sky proudly seizing the most sunlight to make the biggest grains. Except all your neighbours are doing the same and the fields don't stay still from one day to the next. A well nourished field supported by a good soil structure will give an even field all the way over, the secret of good yields. That's when all the plantlets have the same access to growth and all spur each other on and keep each other in check.

We've been waiting for this moment on the pasture. Ever since we turned the cows out on 12th February, they have been eating faster than the grass grows. Gradually the amount of grass cover on the whole farm drops and there is always a point where you wonder where the next week's meals are coming from for the increasingly hungry cows as they ramp up to full yield. Suddenly the green tide turns. No longer do you walk the pastures and see the soil between grass plants. No longer are there too many fields with the pale green of early growth. Suddenly you walk into pastures and there are fields with heavy leaves nodding in the breeze, and we all breathe a collective sigh of relief. The silage pit looked remarkably empty to support all those cows when the grass just stood still and wasn't keeping up with the cows.

The spring-born calves are at their sweetest, most playful, most joyful. It's funny to watch them watching their mothers walk past for milking. Each think the other is interesting, and they will stop and gaze, then like mothers and primary school children, they almost give a shrug and a skip (the calf end) and walk on. Things to do, people to see, milk to make.

We will finish off the fodder beet and kale for the older heifers, before that goes to head and becomes fibrous and tough. Fodder beet (mangel wurzels) give a ridiculously high yield, so the heifers clump together to finish the last of the crop. Then they are off, exploring their grazing pastures. It's really satisfying to see how the perennial pastures that we have created over the past few years are really getting into their stride now. The soil structure restores, the organic matter lifts, the soils feel and behave like they are full of life in a way they never can be under an arable crop. The soils start sequestering huge amounts of carbon dioxide. We can keep many more animals on the pastures than they were supporting with their arable production. What it means for our heifers is that they have spectacular views, but they don't change as much as they might, as each area holds its own group of heifers for the whole season long, rotating around the paddocks of a large field, rather than running around finding new paddocks. That's the idea, and it works until someone leaves the gate open. The way the farm works, they oftentimes find their way into my garden, funnelled here by the woods.

It's lovely to see you girls, thanks for the calling cards, and let's get you safely tucked into a field. Luckily, they will follow a call rather than having to round them up.

The cows are now settling into their spring routine. The grass is very lush with low fibre, and very rich, so milking is exciting, dodging any tail-lifting activity. And it is remarkable how clean milk is, how well separated from everything that emerges from the back end of a cow. It's a real testament to the skill of milkers.

The new parlour is working really well. It is windy, too cold on wet hands, so we will put up so wind protection. The cows are so happy to come into somewhere which barely feels like a building to them. They can see out of the sides, and can see through beyond the shed to where they are going, so there is no sense of a trap, which is how enclosed buildings can seem to them.

The cheese we are making is golden and lively. Coming into peak milk, words are short as we make the most cheese of any months of the year. And however full the vats, and even when we have four vats, the team keep their focus on all of those things that make the difference. Which is always everything. As Malcolm Mitchell says: "We just everything we know we must do". Just there is a lot more than of it to do as the milk rises to a peak.

Wild garlic soup - combines wild food, and the wonderful cheese and potato combo, and simple we are busy. I've always got some stock in the freezer from boiled up chicken bones or the Christmas ham or similar. Set some stock defrosting on the stove. Go and pick your wild garlic, if possible reserving some flowers. Wash and chop. Roughly slice some potatoes (I prefer with the skins on, slightly more flavourful). Put into the now boiling stock. Cook till potatoes are soft. Whizz up with a stick whizzer. Season. Add cream or yogurt if you want it skinny. At the end, put the wild garlic flowers in as little taste bombs. Serve with fresh bread and Quicke's Whey Butter, and a luscious carpet of Quicke's Mature Cheddar grated and melting on top of the soup. A real taste of spring.

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Monthly Gardening notes for April from Bert Jewell

How did the Austin A35 cope with the long journey? Well, all in all, everything went really well, but as I wrote last time we set off at about 2am. It was dark and cold; we had the lights on plus the heater and the radio. I had been driving for quite a while when I realised that the lights were not very bright. With the heater, radio and lights we were taking more out of the battery than we were putting in. We pulled into the next lay-by, turned everything off, but left the engine running for a while to recharge the battery. Then we put on our coats and made ourselves as comfortable as we could and dozed off for a while until it started to get light.

We really enjoyed Blackpool, the illuminations, the nightly entertainment in the hotel and meals like we had never had before. It was the first holiday away that either of us had experienced, but as we all know all good things come to an end. The week was over and I drove the little Austin A35 back home without a hitch.

I went to work on the Monday after the holiday feeling refreshed but restless. My brother had changed his job and was now driving a lorry for a haulage firm in Crediton. If he was passing where I worked he would call in to see how I was doing and ask about mother and father. Mother seemed to carry on without complaining but father's health was failing, lots of chest problems and he was a heavy smoker.

One day in the spring of 1967 my brother called in to see me and told me that if I wanted a job as a lorry driver, there was a vacancy where he worked in Crediton and that if I was interested I had to go down for an interview. How did it go?! I'll tell you next time. Now let's see what needs doing in the

Vegetable garden

Planting and sowing moves up a gear this month, so whenever you have any spare time get out there and plant first early potatoes towards the middle of the month and second early and maincrop during the second half. Keep an eye on the weather forecast and if frost is expected earth up any shoots that have come through the soil. Sow seeds of Cabbage, Brussels sprouts, Cauliflower, Leeks, Beetroot, Parsnips, and many other types of veg including hardy herbs like Dill, Parsley and Coriander. Keep the veg patch weed free and water the rows of seeds if the weather turns dry. Continue to harvest any veg that has overwintered.

Flower garden

Continue to dead head spring flowering bulbs and to help make sure of a good display next year, leave the foliage as nature decides for at least six weeks after flowering

before you cut them down. The old flower stems of *Ceratostigma* (Hardy Plumbago), can be cut down to ground level this month, new growth will spring up from the base.

Make up hanging baskets if you have somewhere light and frost free to keep them until towards the end of May. Plant hardy perennials any time this month but leave the planting of dormant Dahlia tubers until the end of April.

Fruit garden

There is still not a lot going on in the fruit garden as I write these notes, but plants are starting to show signs of life. Strawberry plants can be put in this month but they will benefit from not fruiting this year, so cut off the flower stems before the fruit sets. This will give you better and stronger plants next year.

Lawns

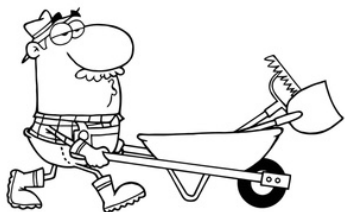
Now is a good time to feed the lawn down here in the South West, leave until May if you live up in the North. Use a recommended lawn feed and if you have weeds and moss, use one that contains the ingredients to control them. Always follow the instructions on the packet, too much Nitrogen will burn the grass and leave the lawn with brown patches.

Trees, Shrubs and Climbers

Early Spring is a good time to give the woody plants in your garden a bit of T.L.C. Clean out any Ivy, weeds and rubbish from under hedges and then sprinkle some general fertiliser along its length about 12" out from the trunks. Tie in climbing Roses and Shrubs grown against a wall or other support. Prune winter Jasmine by cutting off the dead flower heads and the tips of the shoots. This will encourage new shoots to develop making the plant bushier. Give lime hating plants a feed of Sequestered Iron to help stop the leaves turning yellow.

Plant of the month

"Pulmonaria" (Lungwort)



In medieval times it was thought that the large spotty leaves on this plant would cure lung diseases. I prefer to use them as ground cover plants in a shady part of the garden, they wilt in the sun. They grow in any reasonable soil to about 12" x 12" with white, pink or blue flowers.

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Neighbourhood Watch and Emergency News

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Parish Council Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator,
Jim Enright on 01392 851859 or email jimenright4@gmail.com*

Sheds Broken into in Tytheing Close

Recently there were 2 burglaries from locked sheds in Tytheing Close. Unusually these were not reported on the Police Alert system and I followed through with the local Neighbourhood Police Liaison Team. Here is the response from PCSO Nikki Payne who covers Newton St Cyres.

"I have recently taken over the area since I transferred from Exmouth before Christmas. There was a spate of non-dwelling burglaries spreading from Bow, through Crediton and through Newton St Cyres. Mainly targeting sheds and outhouses. This occurred overnight 21st into 22nd February. The two in NSC involved padlocks being broken off (much like most of the others). Only one of the two lost any property. We were alerted to an intruder in a neighbouring garden and were unlucky not to intercept any vehicle after they left the area. I cannot explain why this did not reach you via the alert system. It may well be worth putting out a message just reminding people to check outbuildings (just in case) and ensuring they are as safe as they can be. Also, that any high value items are perhaps security marked and serial numbers recorded. In addition that high value items are kept in the most secure place that they can be...sometimes this may mean inside the house."

Good advice Nikki, very many thanks.

Jim Enright, Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator on behalf of the NSC Parish Council.

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Newton St Cyres Young Farmers Club

Well done to Newton St Cyres YFC for winning the Haldon Group YFC round of football, unfortunately the participating sports stars were unable to play at the County round so thanks to those who stepped in!



Members had a great talk from Kevin Balding, volunteer at Devon Freewheelers - highly recommended guest speaker and a worthwhile charity to raise money for.

The club's annual Cider and Pasty Quiz with Crediton & Witheridge NFU saw 29 teams compete for first place. Thanks to Chittlehampton YFC for travelling to our event, and kickstarting our first young farmers inter-county exchange.

Congratulations to quiz winners 'scrub up well', followed by 'Jeff's minions' and 'the three amigos'. The event raised about £750 which will be split between the Farming Community Network and the Robbin's family from Sandford who are fundraising for life-saving equipment for Bristol Hospital. Massive thank you to all the members who supported the event (photo attached).

Newton St Cyres DUNG SALE

We will deliver to you on Sunday 19th March 2017
(or by agreement)

Bags- £3.50
Half trailer- £35
Full trailer- £55

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Matt: 07484 783441 or
matthewcroeke@live.co.uk

Georgina: 07801 273424 or
georginadavie@hotmail.co.uk



The club organised their annual dung sale which they delivered on Sunday 19th March (if you missed it late delivery is possible). If you would like to make an order contact Georgina on 07801273424. Bags from £3.50. (poster attached).

The group are busy organising a number of upcoming club socials including a clay pigeon shoot, flower arranging, a farm tour and a trailer test for a few of the members.

On Tuesday 18th April the club are holding their Bingo Fundraiser at Thorverton Memorial Hall, doors open 7pm, eyes down 7.30pm. Profits will go to the Devon Freewheelers charity (poster attached).

For more information about joining the club, contact Georgina on 07801273424 or georginadavie@hotmail.co.uk

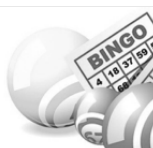
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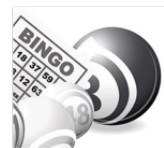
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The Chain Story

It appears that after three months there is renewed interest in the chain story. Maddie Dere has written a further chapter in the life of our hero whose situation is looking mighty dangerous as he climbs into the Mercedes with Eduardo Ladrillo.. To read the story so far got to the website www.newtonwonder.net or look at last years Newton Wonders.

Chapter Four (The story is continued by Maddie Dere)

Dear Readers, Tom executed his plan with a weary efficiency. Along with the chopping block and chainsaw, Doherty now lay in gammon joint sized pieces in the depths of Tom's septic tank. As well as confusing Pendennis, this would also save Tom the task of chucking a dead rat in there every year to keep the anaerobic activity humming along.

In the cottage and garden he cleaned up just as forensically as he did with his top-secret cyber work. Oh yes, Our Hero knows how to make things disappear.

And now, as he put crumpets under the grill, his mind whizzed around and around like a gyroscope. Why hadn't Eva rung? He had after all left a note at 3 a.m. between the prettily snoring heads of Eva and her Bernese Mountain dog, Tamara-Jane. 'Going home. Lovely cooking. Phone me.'

Would you ring Tom, Ladies?

And what had been the connection between Doherty and the house on the hill? Did it matter? Did Doherty's auntie live there? Or the Waltons? When would slime ball Pendennis return? How could Pendennis complete the murder frame if there was no body? All round, it wasn't a pretty picture.

The butter from his last crumpet dripped down his front, and he had no clean shirt.

Story of my life, he thought. He just wanted peace and to be a campanologist. You would too, wouldn't you, Dear Reader, if you were him? But all was not lost as his ex-therapist had taught him mindfulness. He went into the garden and throwing a cursory nod of thanks towards the septic tank in the undergrowth, he sank onto a wooden mushroom in the grass.

He concentrated on a somnolent bee which was trying to climb an etiolated blade of grass at his feet. Same colours as that bloody dog. Tamara-Jane, cramping his style. 'Let the thought gooooo. Stay in the moment', he told himself. The Tamara-Jane bee fell off the blade onto its back, legs wiggling in the air in a frenzy. Had he read Eva's fervour wrong? 'Let the thought go.' He stayed in the moment. He listened to the siskins squabbling, he watched the pale afternoon sun begin to dissolve; he listened to the trees shivering; he felt a sweet zephyr chilling his bald patch, and his bottom going numb on the damp mushroom.

The Tamara-Jane bee suddenly righted itself and, like a Flybe plane, lumbered heavily, up, up, through the air. Tom lifted his head and his eyes lazily followed the creature until it dropped with a sickly buzz into the narcissi. He felt mindfulness. He felt calm. He saw the end of the garden.

Coming through the gate was Eva, Eva in men's clothing. Dark grey suit, black fedora, black shirt, white tie. A bright light, not an energy-saving one, came on in Tom's head. 'She's a transvestite!' thought Tom. 'What fun my love, oh my lovely Eva!'

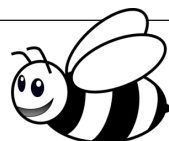
You would think, Dear Reader, that Our Hero would be just as talented with the minutiae of the living as with the dead and cyber stuff. But such was his joy at seeing his love, his dove, he failed to see that there was no joggling bosom and no endearing scuttle until she stopped in front of him.

He saw the shadow on her chin and he saw that it wasn't crepuscular. He stared.

"Good evening. I am Eduardo Ladrillo. I understand you know my sister, Eva. Please, come."

Without a word, Tom allowed himself to be led up the garden path, out of the gate, and into the dark interior of a black Mercedes-Benz. 'This', he thought, 'Is pants'.

Problem with BEES?



*Anybody finding a swarm of honey bees that they would like removing.
Please call Chris on 07971704793 - West Town Road, Newton St Cyres*

Upton Pyne Garden Club outing to The Lost Gardens of Heligan

We are organising a coach trip on Wednesday 31st May to the Lost Gardens of Heligan in Cornwall

The cost of the trip is £20 to include the travel and entry to the gardens, and non-members are welcome to join us.

Anyone interested please contact Jilly at

jillyevents@dovecote.eclipse.co.uk

or 01392 851634 for details.

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Lent 2017



Mondays	Pilgrim's Course, The Lord's Prayer.			Led by
7:30 pm	03 April 2017	1 Glebeland Villas, Newton St Cyres	SB*	
7:30 pm	10 April 2017	1 Glebeland Villas, Newton St Cyres	SB*	

*Tel Sue on 01392 851460 to check places available.

Thursdays	Pilgrim's Course, The Lord's Prayer.			Led by
7:30 pm	06 April 2017	Ockero, Thorverton	SS	

Key: KC = Katie Cross, SS = Sue Sheppard, LF = Laura Ford, SB = Sue Browne

Friday Lent Lunches

12:30 pm 07 April 2017 Thorverton Parish Church

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The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) immediately following the Meeting of Parishioners is open to all members of the Church Electoral Roll for the parish. It chooses representatives for the parish in church councils and synods, receives the annual accounts of the Parochial Church Council, and reviews the life and work of the local church over the preceding year. Please plan to attend these important and informative annual meetings for your parish.

Brampford Speke: Thursday 27 April 7:00 pm in Brampford Speke church

Cadbury: Sunday 23 April following 5:00 pm Evening Prayer

Newton St Cyres with Cowley: Sunday 23 April following 9:30 am service

Poltimore with Huxham: Monday 3 April, 2:00 pm Huxham Church

Rewe with Netherexe: Sunday 9 April following 11:15 am service

Stoke Canon: Saturday 29 April 12:00 noon Stoke Canon church

Thorverton: Monday 24 April 7:30 pm Thorverton Church

Upton Pyne: Tuesday 28 March 7:30 pm Upton Pyne village hall.

Newton St Cyres Church
is holding its
Annual Parochial Church Meeting
on April 23rd at 10.45 am
in the Church

The following are needed:

A second Church Warden
A Treasurer

More than chocolate?

In the church year we are now in the season of Easter. When you read this we will just have celebrated the great festival of Easter – the most important festival in the church year.

What does Easter mean to you?

When I think of Easter past I think of hot cross buns, family get-togethers, Easter egg hunts in the garden and feeling slightly sick through eating too much chocolate. In my memory it is always sunny!

The Easter of the present is of course quite a busy time of year for me and for my clergy colleagues. After our Lenten observances we definitely “go up a gear” in church over Easter, celebrating the events of Palm Sunday, remembering the last Supper and the arrest and crucifixion of Jesus, before rejoicing in his resurrection on that glorious first Easter morning. But Easter eggs still feature strongly in my Easter of the present as I watch young children (and the young at heart) search for them in the churchyard after the Easter service and –yes – I still eat far too much chocolate myself!

And what about Easter in the future. Well Easter is all about the future of course. It is because of Easter that we have a future. The amazing events we celebrate at Easter, the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, mean we are assured of eternal life with a God who loves us. The whole of the Easter message is about hope for the future.

The season of Eastertide lasts until the day of Pentecost. I hope that throughout this joyous season, long after all the chocolate is finished, we may look to the future with confidence and hope as we continue to celebrate Christ's resurrection.

Alleluia. Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Easter blessings to you all,

Sue Sheppard

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Services in the Netherexe Parishes

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Service With A Smile ☺ These services are designed for all ages and with the needs of young children especially in mind. They are informal and contemporary in style often including a children's activity at the beginning; without communion and are led by lay teams. Services usually last about 35 minutes and are followed by refreshments

Family Service Family services are suitable for all ages, may be with or without Holy Communion, are contemporary in style and are often followed by refreshments

Holy Communion [C] Traditional service in contemporary language [one hour]

Holy Communion [BCP] Traditional service in traditional language [one hour]

Morning Prayer [BCP] Traditional Morning Service [Mattins] from the Book of Common Prayer [about an hour]

Evening Prayer [BCP] Traditional Evening Service from the Book of Common Prayer [about an hour]

Common Worship [CW] Common Worship Service

Daily Morning & Evening Prayer in the Netherexe Parishes

For daily services the format is generally Book of Common Prayer at Thorverton and Common Worship elsewhere, and the timing is about 20-30 minutes. All are welcome.

Morning Prayer is said on Mondays at 9.10 am in Stoke Canon church (during the school term, this takes the form of Collective Worship for Stoke Canon C. of E. School); on Tuesdays at 9.15am in Stoke Canon Chapel

Evening Prayer is said on Thursdays at 5.00pm in Newton St Cyres church; contact Sue Browne on 01392 851460 for location.

Variations: **No Evening Prayer at Newton St Cyres on Mondays during Lent, Pilgrim's course instead**

No Morning Prayer at Stoke Canon 3rd, 10th or 17th April

Who's Who? Abbreviations Key

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TBC	To be confirmed		

Associate Ministers

MSS Revds. Michael & Sharon Simpson

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BOF Baptist Officiant

For more information about the Netherexe Parishes please see www.netherexe.org or contact:

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Would you like a lift to church? May we offer you a lift to the parish church or to a joint service elsewhere?

For transport to Sunday services from locations in Thorverton parish, please ring Steve Rendell on 01392 860780.

For transport from Rewe parish please contact Guy Sheppard on 01392 861022

Newton St Cyres Parish Church Rotas

April 2017

Cleaning and Flowers

Week Ending	Flowers	Clean Church/ check loo	Brass: key with Sue
April 2nd		P. Boother	
Wednesday 12th with sustenance!		All hands for Spring Clean	
Saturday 15th 16 th is Easter Day	S. Munday and helpers	Helpers for Easter Decoration	
23rd	A. Page	J. Furniss	P. Burt
30th	-	-	-

Sidespersons

April 2nd	9.30 a.m. Family Service Lay-led	Christopher Lee	Jen Holt
9th	10.00 a.m. Open Door		
16th Easter Day	9.30 a.m. Holy Communion	Wendy Hough	Tony Hough
23rd	9.30 Holy Communion	Clive Lawrence	M. Snow
30th	Mission Community	Service	

APRIL 2017 SERVICES & INFORMATION

The Netherexe Parishes - A Mission Community in the Diocese of Exeter

Sunday 2 April Lent 5

09:30 am	Family Service		Newton St Cyres	Lay Led
09:30 am	Holy Communion	[C]	Thorverton	MSS
10:00 am	Service with a Smile	☺	Brampford Speke	LF
10:00 am	Service of the Word		Cadbury	Lay Led
10:00 am	Service of the Word		Poltimore	Lay Led
10:00 am	Service of the Word & APCM		Stoke Canon	Lay Led & KC
11:15 am	Coffee, Cake & Company		Rewe	

Sunday 9 April Palm Sunday

09:30 am	Sunday Service		Brampford Speke Baptist Chapel	BOF
09:30 am	Holy Communion	[C]	Huxham	KC
09:30 am	Open		Thorverton	
10:00 am	Walk of Witness		Stoke Canon Church and Chapel	
10:00 am	Open Door		Newton St Cyres	Lay Led
11:15 am	Service of the Word		Rewe	LF
11:15 am	Holy Communion	[C]	Upton Pyne	KC

13 April Maundy Thursday

7:00 pm	Holy Communion in a simple supper	[C]	Brampford Speke Village Hall	KC & HW
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Mission Community Service

14 April Good Friday

10:00 am	All Age Worship		Stoke Canon	Lay Led & KC
11:15 am	Good Friday Meditation		Rewe	KC
11:15 am	Good Friday Meditation		Upton Pyne	G Sheppard
02:00 pm	Stations of the Cross		Newton St Cyres	KC

Sunday 16 April Easter Day

09:30 am	Holy Communion	[C]	Newton St Cyres	MSS
09:30 am	Family Communion	[C]	Thorverton	KC
10:00 am	Holy Communion	[C]	Brampford Speke	HW
10:00 am	Holy Communion	[C]	Cadbury	SS
11:15 am	Holy Communion	[C]	Poltimore	KC
			Joint Service with Huxham	
11:15 am	Holy Communion by Extension	[C]	Rewe	LF
11:15 am	Holy Communion	[C]	Upton Pyne	MSS
03:00 pm	Service TBC		Netherexe	KC
05:00 pm	Holy Communion	[C]	Stoke Canon	KC

Sunday 23 April Easter 2

09:30 am	Sunday Service		Brampford Speke Baptist Chapel	BOF
09:30 am	Holy Communion & APCM	[C]	Newton St Cyres	KC
10:00 am	Messy Church		Stoke Canon	Lay Led
10:00 am	Service of the Word		Upton Pyne	Lay Led
11:00 am	Joint Service		Thorverton Baptist Church	BOF
			Joint with Parish Church	
11:15 am	Coffee, Cake & Company		Rewe	
05:00 pm	Evening Prayer & APCM	[BCP]	Cadbury	Lay Led & KC
06:30 pm	Evening Prayer	[BCP]	Huxham	Lay Led

Sunday 30 April Easter 3

10:00 am	Family Service		Thorverton	Lay Led & KC
	<i>Followed by refreshments</i>			
05:00 pm	Holy Communion	[C]	Stoke Canon	KC

Mission Community Services

WHO'S WHO IN THE VILLAGE

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