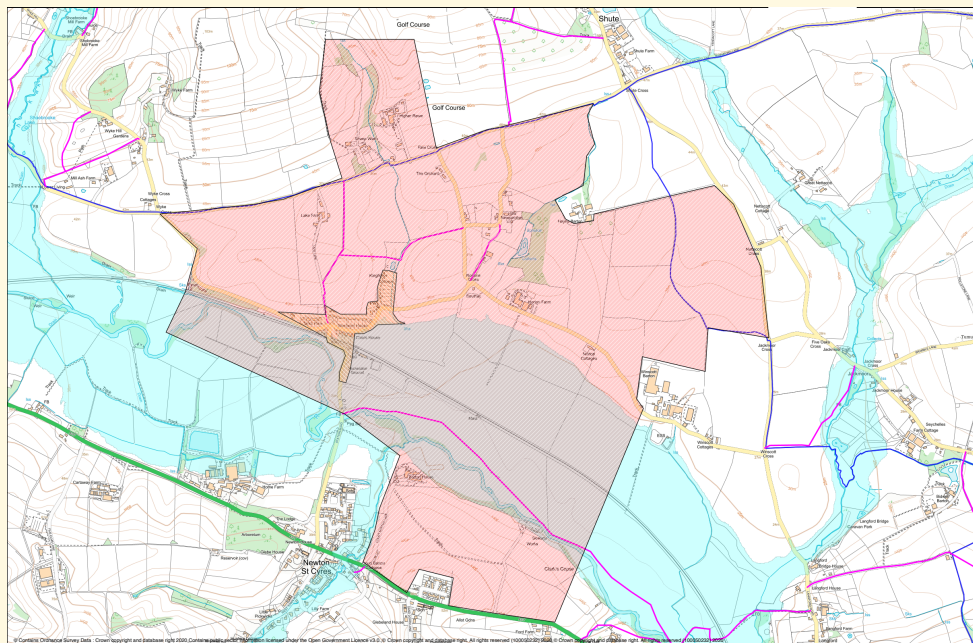


The Future of the Village- Part of Exeter?



The proposals could include the building of up to 1200 houses, supported by schools, shops, doctors and other community facilities.
(In the area shaded pink in the map)

The image features a top section with a photograph of various cheeses on a wooden board. Above the cheeses, the text 'QUICKE'S' is written in a large, white, serif font, with 'EST. 1540' in a smaller font below it. Overlaid on the photograph is the text 'Order and collect' in a large, white, serif font, and 'from the Quicke's Cheese Box' in a smaller, white, serif font below it. The bottom section of the image has a light yellow background with brown text. It contains three paragraphs: the first describes the Cheese Box's hours and safety measures; the second is titled 'Order and Collect from the Newton St Cyres Cheese Box' and describes the expanded product range; the third describes the collection location and provides contact information.

QUICKE'S
EST. 1540

'Order and collect '

from the Quicke's Cheese Box

The Cheese Box is open Monday- Friday 10am-4pm. It is our responsibility to ensure the health and safety of both our customers and staff so we're adhering to strict cleaning rules, asking each customer to use the hand sanitiser provided before entering the shop and operating a one in one out policy.

Order and Collect from the Newton St Cyres Cheese Box

We've added more local produce to our 'order and collect' service. You can now order fruit and vegetables, yoghurt and cream alongside Quicke's cheese and whey butter, Colston Basset, Devon Blue, Cornish Yarg, Sharpham Brie, milk, bread, flour, yeast, eggs, crackers and biscuits.

Collection will be from Quicke's Cheese Box car park, in Newton St Cyres at an allocated time. To place an order please call the Cheese Box on 01392 851000 (Monday-Friday, 10am-4pm) or email: cheesebox@quickes.co.uk.

Plans for Greater Exeter

As many of you will be aware that Exeter City Council, Mid Devon District Council, Teignbridge and East Devon have teamed up with intention of planning the future of the Greater Exeter area. They have produced a consultation document covering housing, transport, employment and wider community facilities for the next twenty years in the so-called Greater Exeter Area. You can download this document on the Newton Wonder website, <https://www.newtonwonder.net> or on the Parish Council website, <https://www.middevonparish.co.uk/newtonstcyres>. The map on the cover of this month's issue of the Newton Wonder shows the area in Newton St Cyres and Sweetham which could be developed, involving a massive change to our community.

Graeme Barnell, our Mid Devon District Councillor has written a brief explanation of the plan, its current status and his views and strategy on pages 6 & 7. This is an abridged version of a longer document which is available for download from the home page of the Newton Wonder website.

It is unclear how the consultation process will be conducted, probably on the virtual platform, Zoom. It will be after 21 September, watch the Parish Council's Facebook page and the Newton Wonder website for details.

In the last few days East Devon District Council planning committee has decided to recommend that East Devon pulls out of the plan., a strategy for Mid Devon being promoted by Graeme Barnell. This may well mean that the consultation is no longer possible with only three of the four participants still involved.

In the meantime there is a feedback form on the home page of the newtonwonder website (www.newtonwonder.net) where anyone can set out their views: these will be passed on to the consultation process if and when appropriate.

Editorial Policy

In the last couple of months' editions of the Newton Wonder there have been articles by my colleague entitled "Peter Cordingley writes.....". It has been suggested that these articles have been a departure from the normally uncontroversial material we generally include. I would like to emphasise that the articles were included because I felt that they would interest and stimulate our readers, which is one of the purposes of the magazine. Although Peter is a key member of the editorial team his articles do not reflect the editorial policy of the magazine which remains to report on and reflect the views of the community. We have always invited all our readers to contribute whatever they want to the magazine and as long as it is not in breach of the law, or too extreme, we will aim to publish it.

The Station Garden

Because of the coronavirus pandemic the Tarka Rail Association has cancelled the competition for best station garden. However the friends of the Station here have put on a lovely display again. There are pictures on page 21 of this issue and a video is available on the website.

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT July 2nd 2020

The meeting on 2nd July was held via Zoom. It was attended by nine Councillors, the Mid Devon District Councillor (Graeme Barnell), the Devon County Councillor (Margret Squires) and five members of the public.

Greater Exeter Strategic Plan

Questions were raised concerning the recently published Greater Exeter Strategic Plan, which proposes an extensive housing development around the Sweetnam area. There will be a six-month consultation period from September with the plans due to be adopted in 2023. Cllr Enright said the plan will be available on the Parish Council website as soon as possible, together with maps and explanations pertinent to the Newton St Cyres area. He is also organising a public meeting in early September so that responses can be coordinated. This may be via Zoom. Cllr Barnell explained the context of the development. He cautioned that for any objections to carry weight they should be well-reasoned. For example, a large tranche of the land included in the plan is clearly within the flood plain. The plan has not yet been approved by Mid Devon District Council and will be discussed at a future cabinet meeting. Members of the public can attend. You can find details on the Mid Devon website.

Report from Mid Devon District Council (MDDC)

The District Council is continuing to support both businesses and individuals through the Covid-19 crisis. Currently they are supporting High Streets as they re-open. The council budget is under extreme pressure but Mid Devon is by no means one of the councils worst affected. There has been a seriously worrying increase in the need for debt counselling and food bank use as the economic effect of the crisis starts to be really significant.

Report from Devon County Council (DCC)

Devon County Council is developing a Local Outbreak Management Plan which will outline how DCC will interact with the NHS Track and Trace Service in the event of a local outbreak. Devon County Council is continuing to support care homes in their infection-control efforts. The recycling centres continue to be open only to householders.

Other parish Issues

- * Traffic is still speeding along the A377 through the village. Cllr D Hodge has made a complaint on the subject on the Devon County Council website. A parishioner has written in to suggest that if the names of speeding hauliers (and preferably date and time seen and, if possible, number plate) were recorded, then the owner of the fleet could be contacted and a complaint made. If details are sent to the parish clerk, an official letter of complaint will be sent from the Parish Council.

- * The flashing speeding sign attached to the bridge above the A377 between Newton House and the church has either been switched off or is faulty. Motorists do take notice of that sign so it needs urgently to be put in good order. The parish clerk will write to DCC to see if it can be reactivated.
- * The footpath up school hill is very overgrown and a danger to pedestrians, as in places it forces them into the road. This is now especially dangerous with the increased incidence of speeding. This problem is being pursued with some urgency with DCC.
- * A meeting was held between several parish councillors and Devon highways to push for support for the Boniface Trail project. It was felt quite strongly, that both MDDC and DCC were treating this project as certain, when in fact it is still at an early stage and cannot progress without proper funding.
- * Bus shelters: The bus shelters in the village are very overgrown. DCC is being asked to clean out the verges.
- * Rural footpaths: Cllr S Parker is continuing to cut back some overgrown paths. There has been some use of mountain bikes on the paths through the woods. This is illegal and DCC are sending "no cycling" signs for the Parish Council to erect.
- * We are still waiting to hear the outcome of the negotiations on the old school site.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on **Thursday 3rd September 2020** at 7:00pm, via zoom. Should any member of the public wish to attend, they should contact the chairman of the council, Jim Enright, on jimenright@newtonstcyres-pc.gov.uk before 6pm on the day of the meeting. Alternatively, if members of the public wish issues to be raised in council meetings, they can contact councillors in the usual way.

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New Housing Development: What is it all about?

You may well have heard by now about proposals to build at least 1,200 new homes on land around Sweetham and Newton St Cyres. These proposals are contained in the first draft of the Greater Exeter Strategic Plan (GESP for short). Details of this plan are posted on the Parish Council website <https://www.middevonparish.co.uk/newtonstcyres/greater-exeter-strategic-plan/> .

GESP is complicated and difficult to make sense of. As your Mid Devon District Councillor, I have written an article to explain how GESP works and to give you the understanding you will need to make up your own mind about the plans. A copy of this article can be found on my Facebook page and also on my District Councillor page on the Newton Wonder website.

<https://www.facebook.com/Graeme-Barnell-District-Councillor-476396543103535>

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You may know already that I am not at all happy with GESP and what it may mean both for Newton St Cyres and for Mid Devon. Here are a few of my concerns:-

1. GESP will remove our local control of housing targets and development land allocations and replace this with a sub-regional planning framework that will decide on sites and targets. There is likely to be a Development Corporation that will deliver large sites in our area and across the Greater Exeter region. This arrangement is unlikely to be either accountable or transparent.
2. There is a clear a risk that , given the “boundary blind” nature of GESP, Mid Devon is exposing itself to an unquantifiable allocation of housing from its neighbours over and above what would otherwise be its own requirements and targets.
3. We are exposing ourselves to large-scale suburban style development when we should be protecting our environment and rural heritage.
4. There is a clear risk that such development will not be supported by the additional infrastructure (roads, schools, etc) required to support large scale additional housing.
5. Public concern about the new GESP site options is likely to generate considerable friction and opposition at a time when we should

be focussing our energies and money on dealing with the aftermath of COVID-19.

6. Large numbers of additional houses will be very hard to justify given that Mid Devon is on course to meet its existing housing targets from within allocations that have either been agreed within the emerging Local Plan or described within preliminary consultation about the Culm Garden Village.

It should be said, in its defence, that GESP may also bring benefits for both Newton St Cyres and Mid Devon. These include:-

- The continuing goodwill and support of Homes England and other arms of Central Government in taking forward the Culm Garden Village and other significant projects (i.e., the Tiverton Eastern Urban Extension - EUE). This includes very significant financial support for major infrastructure projects such as road and rail improvements, and cycleways (such as the Boniface Trail).
- A seat at the table in attracting and sharing inward investment in key sectors of the local economy.
- A suite of up-to-date Planning Policies that provide significantly greater leverage over the environmental impact of development, and the design of homes and of place, than that afforded by our Emerging Local Plan.

You should know that the Cabinet of Mid Devon, of which I am a member, will be asked to agree to the Draft GESP Plan going out to public consultation in September. The Meeting of Cabinet at which this will be discussed is 6th August at 6pm. It will be a remote meeting using the Zoom Platform that you can attend and observe if you want. You can also ask questions, though these will need to be submitted in advance.

I will be asking my Cabinet colleagues to agree that GESP should be referred to a meeting of the Full Council before it goes out for consultation in Mid Devon. It is much too important a subject to be decided on by Cabinet alone. If and when GESP comes to a Full Council meeting, I will be speaking against continuing with GESP unless there are major changes to the way it works. I will be proposing that we either change the terms of our membership of the GESP club or we pull out completely.

Cllr Graeme Barnell
Newbrooke Ward
Mid Devon District Council

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damienhodge@newtonstcyres-pc.gov.uk or
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*For further information or to submit a report please go to the website or contact the
NSC Parish Council Co-ordinator Damien Hodge tel: 01392 851111
email: damienhodge@newtonstcyres-pc.gov.uk*

RECREATION GROUND CLUB

At last a report with a bit of news! In July we lost both the Football Tournament and the Revel, but the governing bodies for cricket and football have released guidance allowing amateur players to train. We can't open the changing rooms yet and every team must provide its own PPE. Off the pitch, following many requests, we are now opening the bar on Saturdays from 4.30pm to 9.30pm.

We were unable to hold our Annual General Meeting in June and so far no decision has been taken on a new date. But, little by little, life is beginning to return to what we remember as normal, though we still have a long way to go. Fingers crossed for more positive news next month.

Wendy Lewis

Newton St Cyres Parish Hall

I'm afraid we'll have to wait a bit longer for the reopening of the hall. While halls and community buildings are now allowed to open with very tight restrictions, the Committee has decided that, apart from for the Post Office, the hall will not re-open until **15 September at the earliest**.

This decision was made because of our concern that opening at this stage would put our users, caretakers and volunteers at too great a risk, even with rigorous cleaning and restrictions on numbers. Many other halls in our area are also delaying reopening.

This is not a decision that we took lightly. We will reopen the hall so that it can support our community as soon as we judge the situation to be right. We will review again towards the end of August.

In the meantime, we will accept provisional bookings for dates from 15 September. Please contact Mary Long on 01392 851624 or maryglong@btinternet.com.

Thanks for your understanding. We look forward to being able to provide our facilities again later in the autumn.

Roger Wilkins

Chairman, Parish Hall Committee

Newton St Cyres 200 Club

The winners for the July draw are:

No.	27	C Cornish	£100
No.	190	Mr Clapp	£10
No.	10	C Burrows	£10
No.	96	P Watts	£10
No.	86	D Bright	£10

The Club is registered through the Mid Devon District Council Licensing Department as a Small Society Lottery under the Gambling Act 2005

Jane

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NEWTON RAMBLERS

Unfortunately there are no Newton Ramblers walks for the foreseeable future due to the coronavirus.

Although during the lockdown we are not having any walks, as soon as we get back to some sort of normality we plan to start our programme of walks again. We normally meet on the third Sunday of the month.

Please ring Nigel or Rosemary Chambers on 01392 851400 to find out when the next walk is taking place and where we will meet.



Take care and we hope to see you again soon.

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Peter Cordingley writes.....

Back in 2003, I was the spokesman in Asia for the World Health Organisation. That was during the time of SARS, a terrible disease that infected 8,000 people and killed nearly 800 in 29 countries. It was a terrifying period, particularly for Asians, and I saw close-up how they were caught unawares and how badly they suffered. And in the UK? There were just four SARS cases.

That, in my view, partly explains why we British are so reluctant these days to wear masks to counter Covid-19 when nearly everyone in China, Hong Kong and Southeast Asia wears one. For us, respiratory diseases are alien, something that happens in distant countries and are not to be taken too seriously. Masks are for foreigners, particularly Asians.

There seems to be an attitude that wearing a mask is somehow “not British”. A Conservative MP even argued that face masks are a “monstrous imposition” that threatens our fundamental liberties, just like the introduction of safety belts in cars back in the day. It’s an attitude that can be found across the whole of British media (and in the US, of course). Mixed in there, I suspect, is the fear that wearing a mask makes you look foolish - a comment that prompted the “New York Times” to suggest that the British would “rather be sick than embarrassed”!

The problem with that attitude, of course, is that it is completely, utterly wrong. The UK’s casualty toll from Covid-19 at the time of writing is at nearly 300,000 confirmed cases with more than 45,000 deaths. It’s a disease that dwarfs SARS. Its symptoms and treatment, in the worst cases, are awful, pretty well beyond description.

If we can all see what a threat to society this virus is, what is it at work here to explain why we British resist masks?

For an answer it’s educational to look at the way the government’s messages to the public have lost authority over time. At the outset of the pandemic, the advice was “Stay at home, Protect the NHS, Save lives - a clear, emphatic message. The public responded robustly, and the lockdown was broadly respected, at least at first and by the vast majority of the population.

Slogans, when worded properly, can change habits. So why do we not have one for masks, which have emerged as a key response to the virus? Instead, we have this astonishing message to the hospitality sector: “There are some circumstances when wearing a face covering may be marginally beneficial as a precautionary measure”, but “the evidence suggests that wearing a face covering does not protect you”. That’s mainly good old-fashioned backside covering, of course, but, worse, it tells restaurant and pub owners nothing about what they’re supposed to do.

It’s obviously unfair to place all the blame on the government for the lack of mask wearing, but a good chunk of it should be. The lack of clarity from the top has contributed to a sense of national confusion. Are masks helpful? For the wearer or the people around them? Both maybe? Or are masks useless? Could they be worse than useless because they make us touch our faces and give us a false sense of security? Is it mean and unethical to wear a mask when the medical community needs them? Or are masks simply unBritish?

Don’t come to me for answers, but I can tell you this. All five members of our household never leave home without a mask. And we wear one whenever it seems the right thing to do. I think everybody should.

Do You Remember?....August

August 1970

Yet another report records hazardous traffic conditions on the A377 with a mix of holiday traffic and local motorists. Rural District councillors have been forceful in making complaints in the local press in the hope that things will improve.

Many Morris dancers converged on Exeter for an annual meeting. Some of them found their way to Newton to dance on the village green followed by a short dash to the Crown and Sceptre.

Children from the village school performed three historical plays on a tour of the parish. They took their show to Tytheing Close, the station and finally to the village. The plays brought to life three incidents of village history. Firstly was a Saxon village and the coming of the Normans, the second recorded when the plague was rife in the village and thirdly the civil war period when Roundhead troops came to Newton.

August 1980

The installation of new lighting in the main part of the Parish Church was now complete and was thought to much enhance the building.

The Afternoon Club had enjoyed three meetings and plans for the coming weeks included a cookery demonstration, a visit from hand bell ringers and whist drives.

The mystery trip arranged for the WI in July was a great success and included visits to Honiton, Sidmouth, Budleigh and Exmouth, concluding with a supper at Woodbury Common.

David Baker volunteered to raise funds for the new pavilion at the Recreation Ground by walking from the Crown & Sceptre to the Ruffwell Inn on 5th October. Guesses could be made for the cost of 10p as to how long the walk will take him and there would be prizes of £15, £10 and £5.

August 1990

Rev David Williams reported that Bishop Dinis Sengulane had come to preach at Newton St Cyres Parish Church and that a member of the staff, of Cyprus and the Gulf also came to talk about the world in which he ministered.

The Flower and Art Festival, which was held in the Church in July, was a great success. Flower decorations adorned the church and 30 Devon artists exhibited their work. Over £1,000 was raised for Newton St Cyres and Cowley Church funds.

The Parish Council had again erected hanging baskets on the Pack Horse Bridge and flowers around Pump Street.

There was a smell of greasepaint at the Newton St Cyres School Summer Show in July when the theme was "Clowns". The highlight of the afternoon performance was the Clown Dance, in which most of the children took part.

August 2000

Bernaville Nurseries new restaurant is now open, about 1000 customers arrived to see the ribbon cut and enjoy a lavish reception with live jazz and barbecue in the gardens.

The Twinning Circle entertained visitors from Rots for a weekend, arriving at midday on Saturday when they were duly matched with host families. Sunday saw a gathering at the recreation ground for a short welcoming speech from the chairman followed by a game of skittles, the hosts winning by 00 to 93 pins.

The Parish Hall committee announced that a grant of £1269 has been awarded by the National Lottery for renewal of the dressing room roof.

August 2010

The Newton St Cyres Youth Football tournament took place at the recreation ground in good weather. Although there were a few disappointed children it was an enjoyable weekend for all.

The Parish Council reports that the Sir John Quicke memorial seat has been purchased and is in place near the old summer house in the Arboretum.

Newton St Cyres station was entered in the best kept station on the Tarka line and won first prize for best containers.

The 200 Club records a donation of £1020 towards upkeep of the fabric of the church.

Bert Jewell writes Rhymes and Ways about Gardens and Gardening

August

We gardeners are never happy with the weather we get,
It's either too hot or it's too darn wet,
But let's spare a thought for the plants that we grow,
Like the grass that we walk on and regularly mow.

At the height of summer it can be burnt and brown,
but it never complains or murmurs a sound,
as it rests and waits for that first splash of rain,
then suddenly you'll find it needs mowing again.

Then autumn arrives, the nights can get cold,
Some plants in the garden look tired and old,
but all is not lost, just a quick nip and tuck
and a warm cosy blanket made of well rotten muck.

To keep out the cold as winter sets in,
The bedding for summer now confined to the bin.
But the pansies and violas are now ready to go
flowering through the weather, be it rain wind or snow.

They'll take us through Christmas and into New Year
and on into spring when the snowdrops appear,
So lend your support when it's blowing a gale,
Have a quick check around after thunder and hail.

And help quench their thirst in the hottest of days,
Your rewards will be plenty in so many ways,
and when next we complain about the weather outside,
Spare a thought for those plants that have nowhere to hide.

Things to do in the August garden

I like to think of myself as an optimist, hoping that what I try to grow will come out just fine. This year, however, my optimism is being pushed to the limit. My potatoes looked fairly good at the beginning, but I knew that the long dry spell could reduce the crop. Then we had that hard frost in May and despite our efforts to cover them up, the frost caught them.

We cut off all the damaged elms and hoped for the best. My hopes were raised once the rain came but we also had gales. It was a bit like doing the washing and then hanging the garden on the clothes line to dry.

We have now used all of the earlies, not a very good crop. On digging up the second earlies, I had to dig a whole row (14') to fill a small trug. We normally have enough potatoes to last until early spring.

I was talking to someone regarding the poor crop and he mentioned that he doesn't have any such problems. He gets them already cleaned from the supermarket. It does make you think, doesn't it?

Anyway, despite the poor potato crop, other things are doing well, such as runner beans. Are yours setting? If not, fill a small hand sprayer with clean water and gently mist over the row. If you grow sprouts, cabbage or any type of brassica, it is well worth regularly checking for caterpillars or eggs of the cabbage white butterfly and the cabbage moth. Both lay their eggs on the underside of the leaves in small clusters, usually pale yellow in colour. Gently lift the leaves to check underneath. The eggs can easily be removed.

I often get asked how to take clematis cuttings. The answer is with great difficulty; layering is a lot easier. Find a stem that will easily bend down to soil level, make a small slanting cut where the stem touches the soil, dust it with rooting powder, then bury that part into the soil at about 1" deep. Place an object like a small tile over the stem to keep it in place and water it in dry weather and leave for about a year. Once rooted it can be cut from the parent plant and planted with its roots in the cool and its head in the sun.

It is also a good time to take cuttings of pelargoniums and fuchsias, to be overwintered in a greenhouse or other frost-free place with good light.

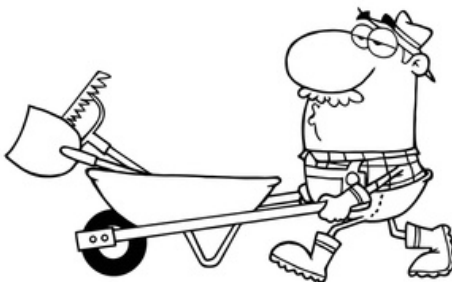
Let's go back to the brassicas for a moment. Sprouts and purple sprouting can grow quite tall and could end up being blown over. So put a sturdy bamboo into the soil beside each plant and put a can cap on top for safety. You can then support the plant with twine as it grows.

Plant of the month

Tamarix.

If you live by the sea or have a very exposed garden, this is the shrub for you. It looks delicate but is as tough as old boots. It comes into its own during August and September, with a mass of tiny pink flowers that are slightly scented. It can grow to 12' or more, but can be pruned back in March or early April.

Enjoy your gardening





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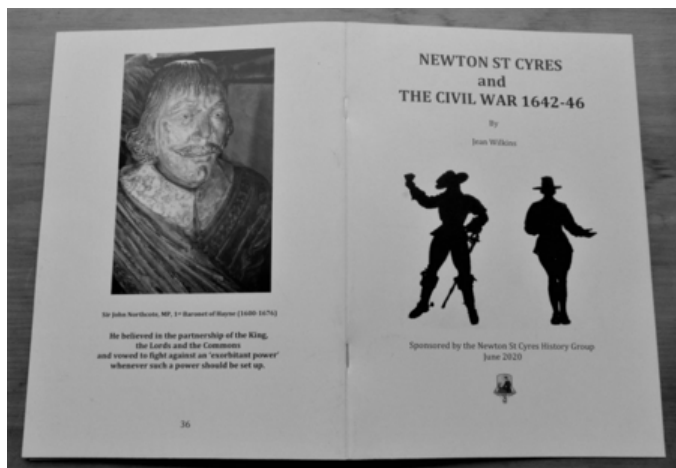
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Newton saw, and suffered from the armies of both sides as Exeter was besieged and Cowley Bridge continuously fortified. This village saw many of the great commanders of the day and both the King and the Queen passed through on different occasions.

This latest booklet sponsored by NEWTON ST CYRES HISTORY GROUP has many coloured photographs and three useful maps in a pocket of the back cover so that they may be seen while reading the text.

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**Is there
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This pothole
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John Perkins
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Newton St Cyres Gardening Club

Sadly, no meetings or outings have been able to take place, but I do hope that you are all able to enjoy the produce from your gardens - after all of your work in them. Please send any photos that you have of your 'successes' to n.e.budden@exeter.ac.uk if you are happy for them to be included in future articles.

Have you taken advantage of visiting Rosemoor or one of the National Trust gardens, now these have re-opened? All of these establishments will have missed having visitors, but their staff and volunteers have still been working hard while they have been closed to ensure that they are as spectacular as ever.

In the last edition of the Newton Wonder we asked for details of any projects that you have undertaken during lockdown.

Sue Rowell has kindly sent in a photograph and details of her new Hot Border which, as she says, "exceeded my expectations of a newly planted border". Plants include: Californian poppies (cheap packet of seed!), red hot pokers, stipa tenuissima grass (divided up from one plant), Phormiums (also divided from one plant), Chilean vine *Eccremocarpus* scaber (grown from free seed swap at Sustainability day in Crediton pre-lockdown),



Rudbeckia and Calendula seedlings (donated from kind neighbours) and soon to flourish hopefully, Amaranth, from old seed packet.”

Sue added “I am hoping some dahlias will survive the pests long enough to extend the hot colours through to Autumn. As the soil was compacted and featured left-over builder’s rubble, it needed digging over and farmyard manure adding, before planting in April - the aim being to improve soil condition with organic matter. A top dressing of bark chippings will help to keep in moisture if we have more dry spells. It does just show what can be grown in one season. Future plans might incorporate some shrubs, type to be decided, but I am trying to achieve a contemporary theme in keeping with the house.”

Many Newton St Cyres residents may remember Hector Elston, who lived in Sweetham and spent many hours tending his large garden. He regularly entered many of the classes in the local flower and produce shows. His daughter, Margaret Ashdown, has shared a photo of a geranium grown from one of his original plants. As can be seen, this has flourished. The interest in the growing of Heritage & Heirloom vegetables has also increased enormously, as we try to get back the flavours we remember from our childhood. Do you have any plants that you have continued to grow through the generations of your family? Would you be happy to share your photos and details of these plants?

As we await further advice on the opening of community venues, there are no planned meetings for the next few weeks. As soon as we are able to hold a meeting of the Gardening Club, I will post details. In the meantime continue to enjoy your gardening and especially the produce.



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Newton Environmental Wellbeing Group

Late July is upon us and it's hard to believe we are past the longest day, and the nights are once again drawing in. Crops are ripening and the field margins are starting to take on that blousy look of late summer. Grasses have turned white, and their spent seeds line our shoes after walking the footpaths. Tiny veneer moths can be seen flitting amongst them, while above them on hogweed flowers, indeed everywhere, red soldier beetles conduct their lengthy courtships.



I noticed this common field grasshopper *Chorthippus brunneus* amongst the long grasses. It sat for several minutes as I snapped away, perhaps believing it was well camouflaged on a broken stem. What an intricate structure and markings it has.

Grasshopper

It is still a time of plenty for pollinating insects, as thistles and knapweeds push out their pink and mauve tufts, and the composite white flowers of yarrow appear. Here and there in the banks, common toadflax raises its yellow head above the foliage, although it is by no means 'common' as its name suggests. Bumblebees find its snapdragon flowers attractive, lifting the lips and poking their heads in to access the nectar and pollen. The purple flowers of Selfheal brighten the short grass in the churchyard and roadside verges, and around the village, Black Medick Medical *lupulina* sits stubbornly in pavement cracks, its round yellow flowers a valuable food source for bees, moths and butterflies.

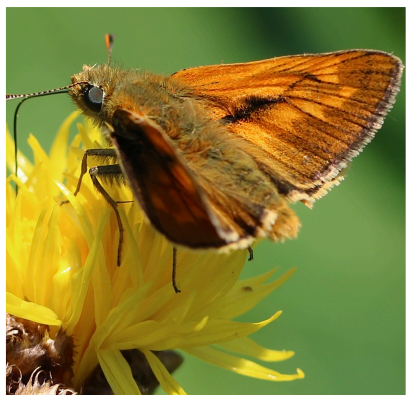
In our yard, we are enjoying watching fledgling birds trailing their parents, beaks open, wings fluttering, demanding to be fed. A female thrush has been coming down to feed, a rare visitor. For a long time these birds were absent from our village, but over the last few years they seem to have made a comeback, their distinctive song lifting our spirits once again.

Sunday 12th July was Flying Ant Day in southern counties, a phenomenon that occurs in July or August when temperatures rise after a cooler spell, and the winds are light. The virgin queen ants leave their nests and fly up high into the sky to mate, pursued by the males. Numbers were so great this year that they created a cloud on the weather satellite map. As I write, a nest is emerging from a tiny hole inside our window frame and will continue to do so over several days. No need for pesticides - we keep the windows open until they have gone. Sparrows sit on the window-ledge picking them off, a nutritious treat for them, laden with fats.

After the strong winds and rain in early July, I staked the teasels in my garden with stout bamboo canes, a procedure that left me with wet shoes after rainwater spilled out of the cups at the base of the leaves. I was interested to read that one of this plant's many common names used to be Venus's Basin. The water collected in the cups was used as an eyewash, in the belief that it had curative properties. Presumably they filtered out the drowned insects beforehand! This led me to wonder if the plant is designed to trap them.

Some studies suggest that it has evolved in this way to stop climbing insects damaging the flower buds; others that the plant is 'proto-carnivorous' in that it gains some nutritional benefit from the soup of decomposed insects, despite not having the enzymes necessary to digest them.

We have had a number of unusual sightings in our garden during the last few weeks. Hedgehogs have returned after an absence of several years, and we watched three of them snuffling about under our hawthorn tree, making their strange grunting noises. Fewer cars on the road at night during Lockdown can only have been to their benefit.



Large Skipper

In mid-June I spotted a Large Skipper *Ochlodes sylvanus*, resting on the centaurea near my pond. This butterfly favours damp, uncut grassy areas, especially Cock's-foot that its larvae feed on. And caught on a spider's web in the garage one morning was this stunning Elephant Hawk-moth *Deilephila elpenor*. I freed it and carefully removed the bits of web from its legs, then placed it on the centranthus in the yard, where it remained until dark.



Elephant Hawk-moth

Over the last two weeks we have been watching a smaller cousin of *Deilephila elpenor*, the diurnal Hummingbird Hawk-moth *Macroglossum stellatarum* darting and hovering busily around the centranthus, dipping its long proboscis deep into the flowers to sip the nectar. I was surprised to discover they are in fact a migrating species, flying in each year from Southern France (although with the mild winters we are experiencing, it is thought that some may be overwintering).



Pond Olive mayfly

A tiny Pond Olive mayfly *Cloeon dipterum* landed on our picnic bench in the evening sunshine. Preferring still water, it is thought to be present in 70% of ponds in the south of the country. Mayflies (also known as Up-winged flies, due to their habit of holding their wings in an upright position when resting) are members of the Ephemeroptera order, the name reflecting their brief lives of anything between five minutes and two days. But *Cloeon dipterum* is an exception to this rule. After mating she lives for two weeks, allowing her eggs to fully develop before she lays them on the surface of

continued overleaf

the water, where they hatch instantly and swim for cover. On learning this, I didn't feel quite so guilty about taking up her valuable time for a photo shoot. Never having seen a mayfly at close range, I was intrigued by the green ball attached to her abdomen, which was confirmed as her egg sac.



Lesser Stag Beetle

Making a welcome return is the Lesser Stag Beetle *Dorcus parallelipipedus*, seven sightings in a couple of weeks no less, each plodding slowly in the same direction, perhaps lured by a potential mate. One evening I found this female clinging onto a kniphofia leaf, a suitably elevated spot to allow her pheromones to waft. The way to distinguish males from females is to examine their heads: the males have larger jaws, and females have two small bumps at the top of their heads. These beetles can live up to two or three years, spending most of this time in decomposing wood. If you want to attract them to your garden, just put a few logs under your hedge or other shady spot and they will find them.

It is some time since the red mason bees closed off their nests in the holes we drilled into our log store, but *Megachile* leafcutter bees and tiny *Ectemnius* wasps have taken over the remaining accommodation. These enchanting little creatures sit in their hole entrance for long periods, looking outwards, and don't seem at all bothered by my camera.



Megachile bee[



Ectemnius wasp



But they are not just watching the world go by. There is good reason to be watchful. Female parasitoid wasps are patrolling, looking for suitable solitary bee or wasp nests in which to deposit their eggs, using their long ovipositor. Their larvae will feed on the grubs and the stored food of the host. The elegant wasp in the photo goes by the charming name of *Gasteruption jaculator*. I watched her examine every hole, boldly putting her head inside to check them out.

Gasteruption jaculator

If you are an invertebrate, someone is always on your case, few more so than the Crab Spider *Misumena vatia*. The female installs herself on nectar and pollen rich flowers, waiting for insects to land. An efficient little ambush spider, she is capable of trapping creatures much larger than

herself: bees, hoverflies, butterflies and moths, and using her fangs to inject them with paralyzing venom. She squirts digestive enzymes into her immobile victim, turning its innards into a liquid, which she then sucks out with her fangs. This one on my Shasta daisy has its front legs raised, poised and ready for action. Her legs also enable her to move sideways (hence the common name). But the female *Misumena vatia* has another trick up her sleeve: by secreting pigments into the outer layer of her body, she has the ability to blend in with her background and camouflage herself by changing her colour over time from white to yellow.



Crab Spider

I was pleased to see my first Silver Y moth of the summer on my buddleja and took a series of photographs. Tilting the flower to get a better angle, I expected the moth to fly away. Then I noticed that fastened on the underside of the moth were the unmistakable fangs of a *Misumena vatia*. It was a shock to discover that the creature I had been so enthusiastically photographing was in fact dead, a hollow shell of its former self. And a reminder that Mother Nature can be both ferocious and awe-inspiring.

Mandy Jones

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Geoffrey May and family celebrate his 100th birthday

Geoffrey May, who lives at Court Orchard, Newton St. Cyres, celebrated his 100th birthday on 3rd July with a quiet family get-together outside his bungalow, with a chocolate cake and cup cakes for everyone. Geoffrey was delighted to show the card he had received from the Queen.

Geoffrey, was born at Rockbeare, and worked on farms all his life, at Town Barton at Tedburn St Mary, and at Walson at Bow. He was married to his late wife Daisy for 68 years.

Geoffrey had been a longtime member of Crediton Loyal Order of Moose and the East Devon Herdsmen's Club. He has two sons, Mike and Brian, their wives Jean and Doreen, grandchildren Sharon, Ian and Sue, and great grandchildren Shannon, Zoe and Eva – all of whom were at the celebration. Sadly, it rained, but that did not dampen their spirits. Geoffrey expressed his thanks for all the cards he had been sent.



PICTURED SEATED IS GEOFFREY MAY, CELEBRATING HIS 100TH BIRTHDAY WITH HIS FAMILY

Margaret Tucker

AUGUST ON THE FARM



NATURE

Summer leaves hang heavy. We've had a long summer, starting as we went into lockdown in March. Long warm weeks have left the fruit dripping from trees and bushes. Butterflies are everywhere on the long grass, scattering as you walk. The house martins are enjoying the hatches of flies, and swoop balletically keeping our house fly free till they fly away, always a sad moment. Baby rabbits dart crazily out of cover. The buzzards and foxes are languid and well fed with such easy prey.

A lovely side effect of the anxieties of this crazy time is taken a walk (or even a run) on the farm every day. I've visited corners I haven't seen for years. I've been walking with my brother in the woodlands he has tended for 30 years and more, and we have witnessed for sixty years. We have seen trees from planting through to noble, cathedral-like groves. We have even seen some of those felled, and most gratifying of all, to see the next round of trees growing again, regenerating from seed or coppice in that miraculous cycle.

GRASS

Rain, so far, has come just at the right time, when the soil has asked for it. The more organic matter in the soil, the better its water retention, which helps in both drought and flood. We are growing grass and clover for preference, rather than maize, on our arable soils, to put more organic matter into the soil. We are spreading our manures to the most distant parts of the farm. With both animals and crops on the farm creates a self sustaining cycle.

COWS

The heifers now have all the best views. They are grazing in all the little fields nestling amongst the woods and hills. It's a privilege have their sassy adolescent sociability, up for an evening chat.

The autumn calving cows are on their summer holidays, enjoying r&r before they calve this month or next. They graze, cud and mainly rest, socially sitting with their friends, their glistening coats warm in the sun.

August 2020

We now rear all the calves born on the farm. We now use an Angus bull to sire calves that won't come into the dairy herd. Other breeds are as tasty, and people know Angus taste good, and they grow well on pasture. The farm team have taken rearing these extra animals in their stride. Grass grows more the better it is grazed, and these extra mouths will help us manage our grass better.

VIRTUAL OPEN FARM SUNDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER

We were so sad we couldn't welcome everyone to Open Farm Sunday back in June. We are joining in the Open Farm Sunday Virtual event on 20th September event. We are making a video with lots of lovely farming action, put in your diary to check it out....

CHEESE DAIRY

We do all our maintenance work in the cheese dairy in August. When we come back, we need to know how much cheese to make for 15 months ahead. Our crystal ball is a little cloudy: Brexit? Covid? Tariffs? We have no idea how these will all play out, and we will end up making cheese for the best guess we can.

ALPENCHEDDAR

We've been working with German cheese producer Albert Kraus and our matchmaker Kaeskuiche. They mix our mature cheddar into the vat of milk they use to make their Alpblossom cheese. It's made a stunning new creation AlpenCheddar. It has the best of both styles of cheese: nutty, rich with even an apricot overtone and a gloriously funky rind. All three cheeses are available to buy online or from the Cheese Box.

WEST COUNTRY CHEESE BOX

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RECIPE

For a recipe, I've chosen our Hard Goats Cheese. It's such a lovely summery cheese, cooking beautifully light. How about a lovely sable to go with a summer drink:

- Equal parts Quicke's Goats Cheese Quicke's goats butter and flour.
- Mix lightly (I do mine in the food processor). Chill. Roll out. Cut into shapes. Place on buttered floured baking tray. Cook for 10 minutes or so in a medium oven till golden. They keep (if you have any left) quite well in a sealed container. Nibble with an aromatic gin cocktail or fizzy Seedlip.

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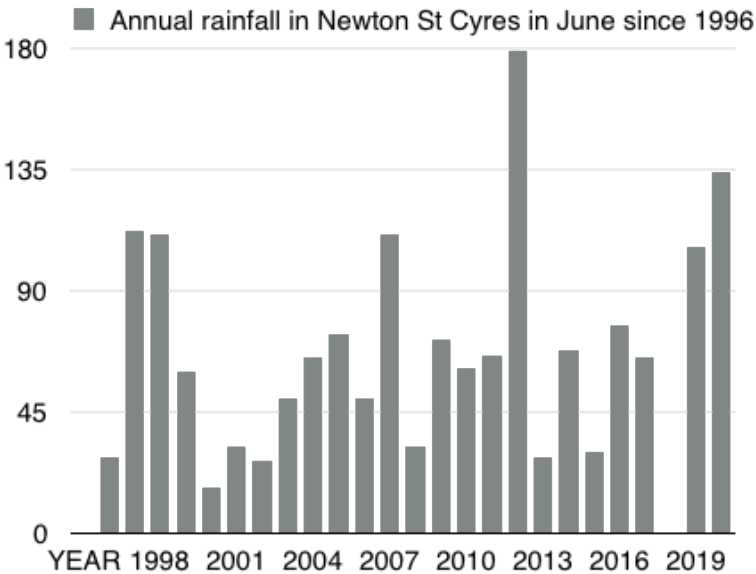
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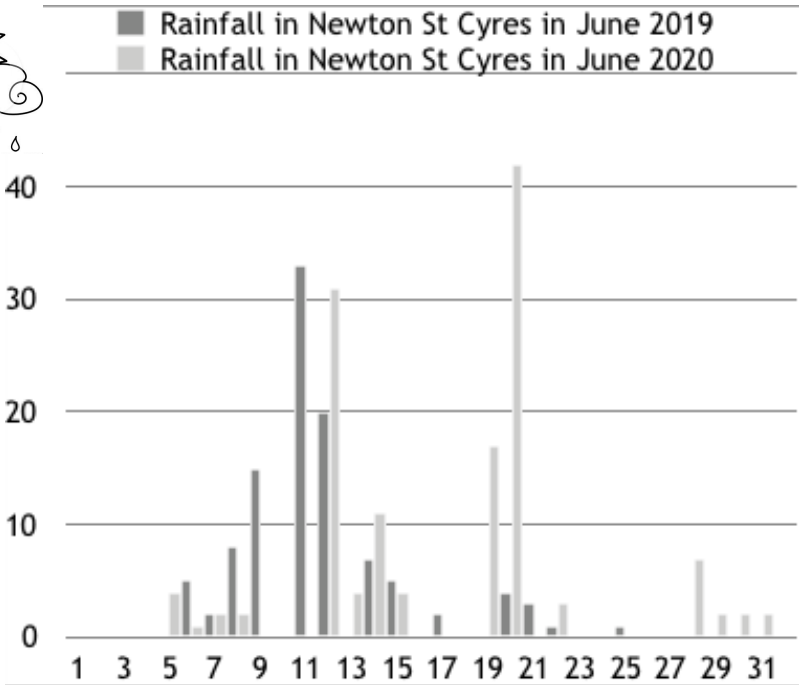
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The Parish Church of St Cyr and St Julitta



The Church is still here.

Following the easing of Government restrictions, some of our church buildings are now open for private prayer. There is a list on the next page of which churches are open and the days and times you can visit. We remain committed to supporting our local communities and doing what we can to keep everyone safe.

We are assessing the protocols to open for small services of worship, there are many regulations that we will need to adhere to and a limited number of volunteers to assist us.

In the meantime, we continue to worship together each Sunday, on the telephone and using Zoom. Just follow the instructions on the website to join us. We also have a booklet with simple services and prayers that can be downloaded for use in the home.

If you have any questions relating to weddings, baptism or funerals, please be in touch with our Rector Katie Cross who can assist you.

One of the key things we can continue to do in this unsettling time is to pray. We have been praying both for our communities and the world, for people near and far as we grapple with the current pandemic and asking God for his guidance and peace.

Although we may not be meeting together just yet, church life continues, so do please keep in touch!

Katie Cross

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What we have all endured over these recent months has been an experience we never want to repeat, and certainly could not have predicted. Aside from all the suffering and grief that many have sadly experienced, I would imagine we have all learned something from this, and are able to move forwards with a different attitude towards one another, perhaps a different view of our priorities, and what is really important in the world around us.

Although Lent and Easter have come and gone without the usual celebrations, I am sure we have all had time to reflect on many things in our daily lives that, previously we just took for granted. This year for my Lent read I decided on a book by Ruth Valerio, titled 'Saying Yes to Life', which looks at God's creation and how we have misused and damaged so much of it. As Christian believers, we are obliged to care for our neighbours, and the creation that God has so generously given us. In the past I have to confess that I have not taken seriously enough what I have heard about climate change and global warming.

In our churches, I wonder if we focus too much on the God of 'salvation', and overlook the God of 'creation', whereas in reality they are one and the same. This is important as sadly each year we witness the ever-increasing destruction of our planet. The essential elements we need in order to survive are sunlight, water, land, and seed-bearing vegetation for food:

'Sunlight' is the foundation of all life. Without it, nothing exists, yet through ever increasing CO2 emissions, and other toxic gasses, we are increasingly polluting the atmosphere.

'Water' likewise is indeed life, but, sadly, the rivers and seas are being polluted at an alarming rate. Currently 60% of the world's population can't access sufficient clean water to meet their needs. Nearly all the heat arising from excess CO2 in the atmosphere goes into the oceans, leading to the destruction of coral reefs and sea life.

'Land' grabbing is tragically one of the main causes of so much poverty, as some accumulate great wealth at the expense of others. There is enough food produced to feed the entire world, but the trouble is that it is unfairly distributed, and huge amounts are wasted, especially in our prosperous Western nations.

Climate change is affecting and harming much of God's created order. This includes both plant and animal life. Seasonal weather patterns have changed, with an adverse effect on agriculture and animal survival.

With the recent shutdown of industry in so many countries due to Covid-19, there has been an immediate reduction in CO2 levels. If this reduction not sustained and global warming does not reduce from two degrees to one point five worldwide, we will lose many species, and three times as many people will be exposed to water shortages, and insufficient food, leading to chaos.

Everything we buy uses resources from both land and sea. We need to buy and waste less in order to take better care of our planet. As human beings we have a responsibility to do our part in addressing the plight of creation as it is today. God is always beside us, so we are not left to face these problems on our own.

It is good to focus on the world in which we live – the God who made it, our place within it – and how we treat, value, and look after the whole of creation. We know the poor conditions in which some animals are reared, the misuse of chemicals, the destruction through climate change, the urgent need to reduce CO2 emission levels, and the damage plastics are doing to animals, people, and the planet. We must join our voices with others and protest. Prayer reminds us we cannot do this without God's help, but we must act now.

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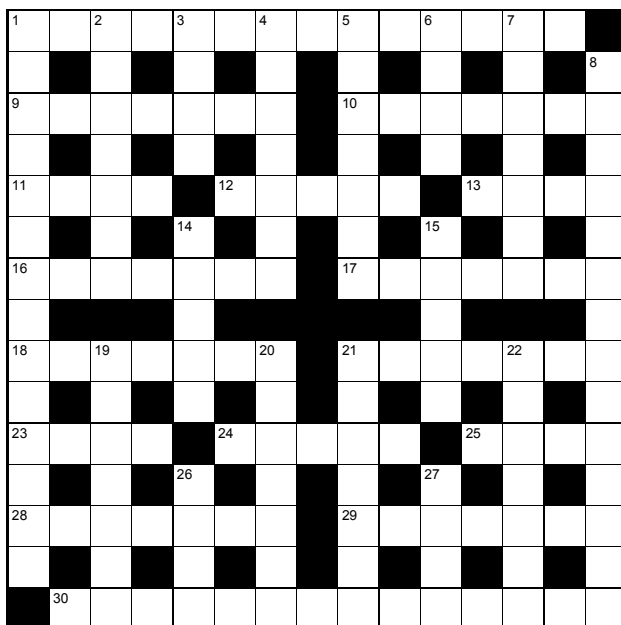
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- 1 March off before obnoxious display of attractive offers (5,9)
- 9 Decried fighting in third game of best of three? (7)
- 10 Hopin' to find something for the pain (7)
- 11 Some polypropylene is substandard (4)
- 12 Fund for young Tom (5)
- 13 Little child needs strength, it's said (4)
- 16 Force one may chiefly associate with Heartbeat (7)
- 17 Study with class and fit in (7)
- 18 Forestall Anne Boleyn's fate? (4,3)
- 21 Vicar, is it? Call again (7)
- 23 Old boy wants old pound coin from the past (4)
- 24 It enables you to visit several stations (5)
- 25 Present the woman with accolade finally (4)
- 28 One curtailed diction strangely – that's stupid (7)
- 29 English supporter is first to tackle poet (7)
- 30 They will take on big guns at start of bestselling book (3,5,6)

DOWN

- 1 Novel – old, weird Christie novel (5,4,5)
- 2 Drink with a trainee policeman before work (7)
- 3 Manufactured cheese turns up (4)
- 4 Rich trifle excited oriental (7)
- 5 Elected leader finally in charge is able to keep in shape (7)
- 6 Drinks up on board ship (4)
- 7 Mounting fear? (7)
- 8 From time to time bury glove by telly, oddly (14)
- 14 Friend acquires ring of bronze perhaps (5)
- 15 Rogue found in part of church when speaking (5)
- 19 To get rid of a slob, I changed hospital (7)
- 20 Intended to provide funds, lacking new opening for enterprise (7)
- 21 Tire man out making clothing (7)
- 22 Kind that is wearing glasses (7)
- 26 Small label for men only (4)
- 27 Bishop meets one Greek character or another (4)

Set by Alberich

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Solution to the July 2020 Cryptic Crossword

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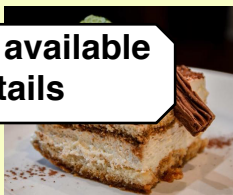
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