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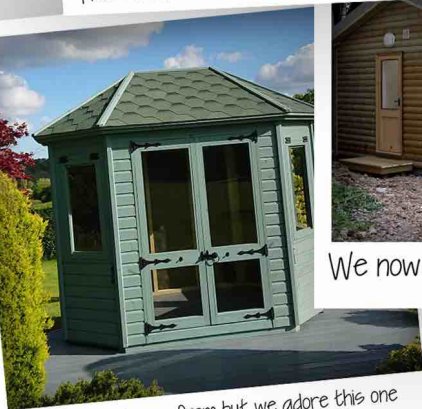
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Devon Railway Heritage

The Folklore Library & Archive is delighted to announce that it has been awarded a generous grant from GWR's Customer & Community Improvement initiative, which seeks to support rail-related community engagement projects.

The money will fund a heritage project focused on collecting and preserving people's memories of Devon branch lines, with particular focus on the Exeter – Okehampton line, which is the first to be reinstated after falling victim to the Beeching cuts of the 60s and 70s.

The Folklore Library & Archive, located in Crediton Library, is a registered charity. It is hoping to record people's recollections about the line, and to digitise and preserve old cine film and photos. The charity is also happy to receive donations or loans of artefacts, which it can assist with preserving, digitising and safely archiving for the future.

Project manager Tracey Norman said, "The Okehampton line is unique, as it's the only branch line which has been reinstated so far, and there will still be people living who travelled on it prior to its closure, experienced its loss in 1972, and can now travel on it once again. We want to capture those special memories, preserve them and make them available to future generations of train enthusiasts, researchers and historians."

The project is inviting anyone with memories to share about Devon's branch lines, especially Okehampton, to get in touch – passengers, staff, volunteers, drivers, and those who campaigned for the line's reinstatement.

A short video presentation explaining the project can be found on the Folklore Library & Archive website at www.folklorelibrary.com, and anyone interested in sharing memories or artefacts with the project can contact Tracey Norman at devonrailwayheritage@gmail.com

Mid Devon Walking Festival 2024 Debuting Soon

Taking place from 14 – 29 September 2024, the Mid Devon Walking Festival will showcase the stunning natural beauty and cultural heritage of the region like never before. Participants will have the opportunity to choose from an enticing selection of guided walks, each offering a unique perspective on the area's landscapes and history.

Residents and visitors can download the guided walk programme from the Visit Mid Devon website or pick up a guide from the Tourist Information Centre and other tourism display stands when passing. The guide breaks down each walk by theme, difficulty rating, dog friendly, refreshments and accessibility, making it easy to spot the walk for you. The website also hosts a number of useful walking related blogs and event information during the festival.

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT 7th July 2024

The meeting, held on Thursday 7th July 2024 was attended by eight Councillors, C/Cllr M Squires, the Parish Clerk, and one member of the public.

A member of the public raised the issue of the Boniface trail to which Cllr G Barnell gave the up-to-date status.

Newton St Cyres Parish Council Issues relevant to Mid Devon District Council

Planning Applications

24/00875/HOUSE - Erection of extension and conversion of existing garage to living space at Elmhurst, Church Lane, Newton St Cyres (Cllr P Stephenson made a declaration of interest) – No comment.

Revised plans for 24/00696/MFUL- Erection of an agricultural building for free-range egg-laying unit, including control room/packing area, office, clean and dirty water handling facilities, concrete yard areas, feed bins and creation of an access track at Summerhay Farm, Shobrooke. It was agreed to comment as follows: “The NSC PC is disappointed that the revised site plan does not include improved screening of the site with native trees, preferably with associated landscaping, to mitigate the industrial profile of the new unit and the cumulative impact of the new and old units on the rural landscape. Natural boundary screening would also significantly improve the environmental impact of the development and provide a good brand enhancement and reputational opportunity for the applicants. We also ask that the PROW crossing the site is kept open during construction. This can be done by providing a temporary diversion for a short section of the path adjacent to the road “

Report from District Councillors on issues relevant to the Parish:

None as none in attendance. The Clerk will be writing to the district councillors to express the disappointment at the lack of regular attendance.

Report from County Councillor on issues relevant to the Parish

A request has been made to cut back the vegetation on the pavement on School Hill. No response has been received from DCC Neighbourhood Highways Manager about engagement on three identified areas where we are looking for a costed plan (School, Smallbrook and Tytheing Close). C/Cllr Squires will follow up with the Neighbourhood Highways Officer (NHO) and will arrange a meeting with the NHO and Cllr J Dean.

Other Parish matters:

- * Depth Gauges – Two aluminium depth gauges will be purchased and installed at Camps Bridge with the location to be confirmed with the road warden.
- * Update on Roles and Responsibilities and amendments to quarterly reports timetable
- * M Herpoldt-Bright will work with Cllr D Harris on Environment and Climate.
- * The new co-opted Cllr, when appointed, will work with Cllr J Dean on Travel and Road Safety
- * Footpaths will be included in the Travel and Road Safety portfolio

Parish Hall service agreement:

The Parish Hall was happy to sign the drafted service agreement and confirmed that the grant would be paid once both parties had signed the agreement.

Church Service Agreement:

The Church are happy to sign the agreement as are the councillors and the grant will be paid once both parties have signed the agreement. In addition, the Clerk will forward the estimated solicitor costs to transfer the land for the proposed new churchyard to the church with each party to pay half.

Rec Ground Service Agreement:

There is a desire for the Rec Ground to be designated as a green space, which is possible via a Neighbourhood Plan or local plan. First, the Rec needs to be included in the MDDC Playing Pitch strategy. Cllr Barnell had forwarded emails from MDDC to the Rec with suggestions on how to proceed with this and a holding service agreement will follow, and after being signed by both parties, the grant will be paid.

Quarterly Report – Development and Planning – Cllr Barnell

Local Plan – the Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (HELAA) (call for land) has been completed and it is hoped that MDDC will consult early in 2025.

Boniface Trail – a subgroup of the Crediton Cluster has been formed made up of two reps from each member council, plus county and district Cllrs and two reps for the BT group. Cllr J Dean and Cllr J Browne will be the Newton St Cyres Parish Council representatives for the Boniface Trail meeting in September.

To note - East Devon Planning application and its potential effect on Langford Road. 24/1034/DOC - Discharge of condition for 20/1517/FUL: Condition 4 (Landscaping) and Condition 5 (Landscape management plan) at Land at Haynes Burton Upton Pyne. Cllr Barnell will be submitting the following comments: "I am writing to you as Chairman of Newton St Cyres Parish Council. You will be aware that Stuart Partners Limited (SPL) have now started the development of the proposed lagoon in Rixenford Lane. The work has started before EDDC has approved SPL's new plans for the site. This is clearly in breach of the requirement in its previous planning permission to obtain approval before commencement of the proposed development.

The new plans also involve major changes to the design and engineering of the lagoon and, therefore, present a new set of environmental and safety concerns that must be assessed by the Planning Authority. This is of particular importance given the pre-existing drainage problems of the site.

Newton St Cyres Parish Council is asking that EDDC puts an immediate stop to any further work on the site and asks SPL to submit a new and full planning application"

Quarterly Report – Environment and Climate – Cllr Harris

To include management of biodiversity, hedgerows, verges and mowing. To include weed killing in Station Road, hanging baskets in Pump Street, hedge trimming on Station Road

Cllr Dean will speak to the Road Warden to address the overgrown hedge on the A377 by Bellunos which is reducing visibility when pulling out and turning towards Crediton. In addition, the road warden will be approached to improve visibility on Station Road via strimming to reduce future weed killing via spraying.

Cllr Harris will do the following:

- * draft a letter to landowners to raise awareness of the hedging plants available from the Woodland Trust.
- * draft a letter to the allotment landowner to ask if water could be extended to the allotments via farm water pipes.
- * There will be no hanging baskets on Pump Street.

Cllrs will provide Cllr D Harris with landowner details to allow a community conversation regarding hedgerows etc.

The Clerk will respond to planning applications over the summer that cannot be granted an extension following consultation with Cllrs and the Chair.

The annual report has been drafted and the distribution list has been decided.

Date of next Parish Council meeting: Thursday 5 September 2024 at 7pm in the Club Room.

Jenna Browne

Parish Hall Car Park – Charging Consultation

The Parish Hall car park is owned by the Parish Hall and currently jointly funded by the hall and the Parish Council. Its primary purpose is to provide short term parking for users of the hall, of other village amenities such as the church and arboretum and for visitors to the village generally.

There have been frequent occasions on which overspill arrangements have had to be made, or the intended users have been frustrated because the car park has been full. It is clear that the reason for this is that some villagers use the car park on a long-stay basis.

We are not necessarily against this, and indeed some living around the car park have no realistic alternative but feel that regular long-term users should pay a fair share of the cost of maintenance and upkeep of the car park.

Consequently, the Parish Hall is proposing to regularise the situation by allocating a number of reserved spaces (possibly 10-15) to regular users with a suggested charge of £104 per annum. We would prioritise spaces to those living adjacent to the car park, with no alternative parking, at a discounted rate of £52 per annum.

We would also like to take this opportunity to remind users that the car park is not intended to accommodate commercial vehicles, large vans or trailers.

We would welcome comments/suggestions regarding this proposal before we come to a final decision. Please send them to rosemary_chambers@yahoo.co.uk (or c/o Parish Hall, West Town, Newton St Cyres, Exeter EX5 5BW) by 15th September.

Nigel Chambers
Chairman Parish Hall Committee

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Newton St Cyres Parish Council

NOTICE OF VACANCY for PARISH COUNCILLOR

There is a vacancy for Parish Councillor to join with effect from September 2024

To be eligible you must be a British subject, or a citizen of the Commonwealth or the European Union and must appear on the current register of the Voters List; or the applicant should during the whole of the twelve months preceding the relevant date have resided in or within three miles of the parish; or the applicant's only place of work during the whole of the twelve months preceding the relevant date is in the parish.

Co-option will take place at the Parish Council meeting on Thursday 5 September, 7pm in the Club Room at the Parish Hall

Candidates will have the opportunity to explain briefly why they wish to be co-opted

For an informal discussion about the role of a Parish Councillor, please contact Graeme Barnell, Chair (07564 541572) or Liz Ouldrige, Vice Chair (01392 851621)

To apply, please email the Clerk for a co-option form, to be returned before noon on Friday 30 August

parishclerk@newtonstcyres-pc.gov.uk

For more information about council activities, please visit the council website at <https://www.middevonparish.co.uk/newtonstcyres>

HAVING A BALL – AGAIN!

The Football Club held its 33rd annual youth football tournament over the weekend of the 13th and 14th July at the Recreation Ground and, for yet another year, we were fortunate enough to have dry weather despite a forecast of a wet weekend!

We welcomed over 130 youth teams to the tournament for age groups from under-7s to under-14s with the Under-7s and Under-8s being non-competitive. We also saw somewhere in the region of 300 plus cars parking in the field opposite (courtesy of Quicks) and probably around 1,000 supporters over the two-day event.

The tournament is the club's main fundraiser and helps ensure we can provide football opportunities to our members at an affordable price which proves more difficult every year given the constant increases experienced.

The weekend is heavily reliant on a small but loyal and committed workforce who organise the event, from taking entries, organising (15+ referees) each day, arranging catering, designing the programme, organising fixtures and marking out pitches (just some of the many tasks!).

As a Club, we are pleased to be able to confirm that we will again be running two senior teams in the Devon and Exeter Football League as well as an Under-12s team and potentially an Under-16s and Under-8s team.

Senior training has resumed on Tuesday evenings at the Rec from 6.30pm and youth training will resume from the end of August. For more information please contact NewtonStCyresFC@outlook.com or contact us via our Facebook page.

Mark Smalden



We are the champions!

Newton St Cyres Tennis Club



The summer has not yet arrived and Wimbledon has just finished with amazing finals! So, surely, the weather must improve and be ready for tennis!

RUSTY RACKETS:

The Rusty Racket sessions are running well, often on Saturdays (contact Sue Bloomfield, sueblmfld03@gmail.com, if you would like to try a session) and the other Club sessions are well attended. We have quite a few new members and it is great to see them so involved.

The Club tournament is very popular. there are many participants and members are playing with different partners so the matches are very even and exciting.

If you are ready for some tennis, try the club for a couple of sessions and then you can decide to join. Just contact our membership secretary Laura Leigh on 01647 24259

The summer league is well underway and it is great playing with and against different players all over Devon.

Junior coaching, run by our club coach Jon Wills, is well attended and takes place on Wednesdays after school during term time. If you would like to enrol for the autumn term, please email juniors@newtonstcyrestennisclub.co.uk for further information and put your name down.

Jon also offers adult coaching, both individually and for small groups, so if you feel you need to brush up your skills and learn more about the doubles' game, just get in touch with Jon Wills via our website

The Tennis Club now has a super-duper ball machine, which means you can practise all by yourself. A number of members are now trained in using the machine, so if you would like to have a go, do get in touch with Frederiek Maddock (frederiekmackdock@gmail.com).

All further information is available on www.newtonstcyrestennisclub.co.uk.

Frederiek Maddock

COMMUNITY ALLOTMENT VEG. BOX

I hope some of you have found some veg in our box in the hall garden by the flood hut and enjoyed it.

I thought it might be a good idea to post a wee tip / recipe idea every month that you might find useful and inspiring.

So this month's offering is....

The Floppy Unappetising Lettuce Problem

Maybe you didn't know that, if your salad greens look ready for the composting, all may not be lost.

Simply immerse them in a bowl of cold water, leave in the fridge overnight and hey presto...crunchy lovely leaves! Drain them off and pat off most of the water and store in a kitchen roll lined plastic box with the lid on in the fridge and they should last a few days.

Gail



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A summer salad

Runner beans and new potatoes give our meals a taste of summer, and are good in a salad, too.

In a salad bowl mix:

1 lb (500g) diced boiled new potatoes

½ lb (200g) wedges of boiled runner beans

1/2lb (200g) halved cherry tomatoes.

For salad dressing whisk together:

3 tablespoonfuls of rapeseed, or olive oil

1 tablespoonful of cider vinegar

1 teaspoonful of honey

salt and pepper

Pour dressing over salad and mix well

Decorate the salad with chopped hard-boiled eggs and chives. Cubes of Feta, or Cheddar cheese turn this into a meal.

Paul Cleave

NEWTON RAMBLERS

Our walk on Sunday 18th August starts at Smallbrook in Newton St Cyres. This is a fairly easy circular walk of about four and a half miles going around Hookway and Fordton, mainly along footpaths through rolling farmland and with extensive views to the north and south.

You can either meet us at 9.45am at the Newton St Cyres parish hall car park or at 10 am at Smallbrook itself (on the A377 towards Crediton, on the sharp bend to the right with a speed warning). There is limited parking after you have left the main road, just before the bend.

All are welcome to join us. After the walk, anyone who wishes can join us for a picnic lunch. Hot drinks will be provided.

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How much would you like to know about the past in Newton St Cyres?

Newton St Cyres History Group has a growing library of publications.

- **Newton St Cyres – A Village Story (£5)**

Compiled by residents of this village in 1999 (the green 'millennium book') containing a wealth of reproduced photographs.

- **Newton St Cyres Historical Village Walks (£1)**

Four brief walks around the Village, the Western Bluff, West Town and Station Road with maps and an explanation of the road cuttings, levelling and straightening.

- **Newton St Cyres Mining and Miners (£1)**

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- **Newton St Cyres Church – Statement of Significance (£2)**

Describes the history and most important features of the church, dedicated to St Cyr and St Julitta.

- **Memories of Boyhood in a Devon Village (£3)**

Written by Alfred Abraham, born in Newton St Cyres in 1893. He shares his memories growing up in the village at the beginning of the 20th century.

- **Newton St Cyres in the 1940s & 1950s (£5)**

Written by Stella Cork, born in Newton St Cyres in 1934 and the daughter of the village postmaster. She gives a remarkable description of families in the village and an insight into village life.

- **Newton St Cyres and The Civil War 1642-46 (£5)**

Written by Jean Wilkins. The story of grief, hardship and a little excitement for those living in the village almost 400 years ago during the English Civil War supported by coloured photos and maps. Would you have been a Roundhead or a Cavalier?

- **Newton St Cyres in the WW2 Years (£5)**

Written by Roger Wilkins, The contributions of the village to the war effort are described, as are impacts on village activities and businesses.

- **Newton St Cyres & the A377 (£5)**

Written by Jean Wilkins, A window into the history of transport into and through the village and the development of the A 377.

Also visit **newtonwonder.net** where you will find data and analyses on:

Births, Deaths and Marriages in Newton St Cyres (16th–18th century)

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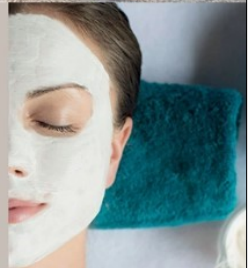


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Will your child be nine months old by Saturday 31 August

Childcare is one of the biggest costs facing working families today.

The Government want to make childcare more affordable and accessible to reduce the barriers that may be preventing some parents from working, so are expanding their childcare scheme to include more funded hours per week for more working families.

At the moment, eligible working parents can get:

- **up to 15 hours a week if your child is 9 months to 2 years old**
- **up to 30 hours a week if your child is 3 to 4 years old**

The aim is that, by September 2025, most working families will be entitled to 30 hours of government support with childcare costs from the start of the funding period after their child turns 9 months old until, they start school.

What are the changes to the funded childcare scheme?

Eligible working parents of children aged three and four -years -old can get up to 30 hours per week of funded childcare. Since April, eligible working parents of two-year-olds, and some parents that receive additional forms of government support, can also access up to 15 hours per week of funded childcare.

From September 2024 working parents of children aged from nine months will be able to access up to 15 hours per week of funded childcare. **Applications are now open for eligible working parents whose child will be nine months old by Saturday 31 August 2024.**

The aim is that, by September 2025, most working families will be entitled to up to 30 hours of government support with childcare costs from the start of the funding period after their child turns 9 months old, until they start school.

Who is eligible?

If you work and earn under £100,000 a year, but at least £183 a week (the equivalent of 16 hours a week at the National Minimum or Living Wage), you can apply for your government-funded childcare code via the [childcare service website](#), which you then take to your chosen childcare provider to validate.

The deadline for applications is Saturday 31 August 2024 to be able to access the funding from Sunday 1 September 2024. If you miss the deadline, you won't be able to start using the new entitlements until the next funding period, which starts on Wednesday 1 January 2025.

Do You Remember...August?

August 1974

The Church reported that their recent barbecue had been a success and they had made a profit of about £60.

The Parish Council had good news about the bus shelters – two will go up by the School. Lilly Lane has also been re-surfaced. It was reported that planning permission would be required if notice boards were put up on the Post Office wall so, if the Church Council agree to pay half, they would put one on the bus shelter.

There was good attendance at the Flower Show in July but less exhibits due to tricky weather. Cups were won by Mr R White, Mrs O Cheriton, Mr P Cole and Mr J Barnard. They had made a financial loss on the day as expenditure was £300 and income was £160.

The Parish Hall discussed the skittles played there and agreed they could play from 8.00 pm on Sundays and Discos would be limited to 3 per year even though the organiser hands over all the profits and pays for any damage.

There was a major fire at Higher Marsh and the flat owners lost almost all of their effects.

Jim Barnett, Chairman of the Recreation Ground Committee was leaving the village and was thanked by Mike Hill, the Secretary.

August 1984

It was announced that Harold Dyer had retired as Organist at the Church after 18 years.

Concern had been raised about Quicke's irrigating their fields during the drought but the water was being taken from the Creedy and would only have gone into the sea.

The Summer Show and Gymkhana had raised over £1,000 for the School Swimming Pool fund.

At the Rec. AGM John Harris was elected Chairman, Peter Watts – Vice Chairman, Pete Douglas – Treasurer and Eve Bowd – Secretary.

August 1994

A Gardening article was all about climbing plants.

The School were looking for a permanent Mealtime Assistant for 1.25 hours daily.

The Afternoon Club had a visit to Burnham on Sea.

The Parish Council had had a bottle bank installed in the Crown & Sceptre car park.

They reported ongoing problems with dog fouling and the Dog Warden had been seen in the Parish.

There was still a vacancy for a Parish Clerk.

The Recreation Ground Summer Show was another successful event

August 2004

An article appeared by John Durrant on village events such as the Village Carnival, Sheep Dog Trials, Maypole Dancing on the Green and many more.

Over 80 teams entered the Five-a-side Competition held at the Rec. The Football Club were looking to start a Youth Team.

The Young Farmers had an American Young Farmer staying with them on an exchange programme.

The Cricket Club had some excellent results as John Quicke scored 84 runs.

August 2014

The Rec reported that the Revels had been a great success. The sun had shone on it, the five-a-side youth tournament, the school sports day and the Kingfisher project. The club held its first beer festival which was a great success.

The plans for the new school and new houses had been unveiled.

The editor was asking for more involvement in the magazine from the community.

The community Support Group had walked around the arboretum and readers were being made aware of the facility, the care of which the community had taken on. The group was planning a party in the garden of the Crown and Sceptre.

The tennis club had run a junior tournament. Joe Knox narrowly beat Joe Douglas to the Boys 10 & Under title in what was a hard-fought match played in excellent spirit; Jack Gordon won all his matches to claim the Boys 12 & Under trophy.

Michael Lambourne, Tobias Whittaker, Matthew Hill and Cameron Fahy all played extremely well and made it a great tournament. And Tom Baber was the winner of the 16 & Under Open,

with Reuben Taylor, Alice Dowle and Martyn Hill all playing exceptionally well and producing great tennis.

The Parish Council was starting consultation on a community led plan for the parish.

The gardening club had a talk about the gardens at Castle Drogo by John Rippin, the head gardener.

The history group visited the War Horse Country Park at Parsonage Farm, Iddesleigh, where Graham and Rose Ward are close neighbours of Michael Morpurgo, who wrote War Horse, based on their farm. The Wards have arranged an interesting exhibition of memorabilia of the war, and also local people and places at the time, the history of the farm, the books written by Michael Morpurgo and information about 'Farms for City Children'.

Nick Baker led a walk through Upton Pyne for the Ramblers and the History Group on May 25th. It was in aid of the Upton Pyne church and was most interesting and informative about the history of the church, the village and its buildings.

In June members of the Young Farmers presented a cheque for £1,239 to Jo Jones the County Organiser of the Farming Community Network. This money was raised at the clubs Grand Draw held in April.

Peter Hawksley

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Bert Jewell writes Rhymes and Ways about Gardens and Gardening

August

To my parents' resting place we went, just a few weeks past,
Along a busy carriageway, why do people drive so fast?
As we pulled into a lay-by for a sandwich and a drink,
The sound from all that traffic, it was difficult to think.

The food all gone, the coffee drained, we had to find a space,
To get onto that carriageway, to get back in the race,
We saw ahead our junction, a sign for peace at last,
The country roads, the narrow lanes I remember from my past.

We saw the place where I grew up, the house no longer there,
I thought about the way we lived, the things we had to share,
A new house standing tall and proud has sprung up on the site,
With boundary walls, a gate to lock, the stars to watch at night.

We pulled up by the churchyard, Carnations, just a few,
Reminding me of long ago and the ones my mother grew,
We stayed a while to say our piece, the church was locked that day,
No place to put our offerings, it was time to make our way.

Back along the country roads, along the carriageway,
Back to the place we've made our own, the place where we shall stay,
To potter in the garden, to pass the time of day,
With those who stop to say hello as they travel on their way.

Things to do in the garden

When my father was alive (he passed away in 1973, aged 73), my mother's job was more or less in the house, cooking, cleaning and doing the washing. I remember seeing her ringing out the sheets by hand, slowly working them up over her shoulder until they were ready to hang out on the line. No washing machine, no spin dryer, just an old Belfast sink.

Every two or three weeks she would walk three miles into town, do a little shopping, maybe take the accumulator for our radio into the hardware shop to be charged.

Anyway, she loved flowers, and a couple of days after father passed away, she declared that she was going out in the garden and to grow some flowers, Carnations, Sweet Williams and Pinks were her favourites, all members of the Dianthus group. There are also perpetual Carnations, these are grown under cover and used by florists for weddings, etc.

Now to the task ahead. If you want to increase your strawberry plants, it's not too late to peg runners into pots filled with good quality compost and allowed to root before being cut from the parent plant. If you have enough, cut all the runners off, together with any old or damaged leaves.

This is also a good time to prune redcurrants and gooseberries, by cutting all sideshoots back by one third. Blackcurrant bushes can be pruned by cutting the whole fruiting stem off when you pick the fruit, or cutting out two or three of the older stems after the fruit has been harvested.

Prune summer-fruiting raspberries by cutting out all the old fruited canes once the fruit has been harvested. You can then tie in the new canes to provide fruit for next year. If there are gaps in the row, dig up some of the strays and transplant them into the row.

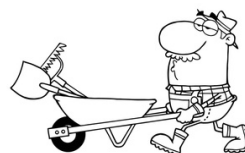
If you have a beech hedge, late August/early September is the ideal time to give it a trim. Cutting it every year creates new growth. The brown leaves will stay on new growth through the winter, falling off just before the new green leaves appear in spring.

Plant of the month

"Persicaria"

A good ground-cover plant, different varieties have varying leaf sizes, but nearly all of them take on autumn tints at the end of the season. The flowers are like pink pokers on wiry stems. Grow in humus rich soil in sun or light shade.

Enjoy your gardening.



Note from the editor:

Readers will be pleased to learn that the Open Garden at Bert and Margaret's house in Crediton raised £561.06 for Hospicecare. They have asked me to thank everyone who supported them.

Celebrating our village's heritage

How much do you know about your village church? Maybe you know it was named after Saint Cyr and his mother Saint Julitta, two 4th-century martyrs. Or that it dates back to the 12th century. But did you know it's the only grade 1 listed building in the village? If not, then here's your chance to find out more. Lots more.

For two days in September – on Wednesday, the 11th and Saturday, the 14th – the church doors will be thrown open for special guided tours where you can immerse yourself in its rich history and take part in a range of other activities to celebrate the village's heritage and community spirit.

It's all part of Heritage Open Days, England's largest festival of history and culture, which this year celebrates its 30th anniversary and brings together community organisations across England.

"We were surprised last year to learn how many people living in the village had never actually visited the church," says Christine Fraser, Facilitator for the Newton St Cyres Community Church Association. "We think of 'history' as being centuries ago, but people alive now are making history for the next generations. So visiting heritage sites during the September festival week is a great opportunity to learn more about our past, but with no exam at the end – just tea and cake!"

This year's theme is "Routes, Networks and Connections", celebrating how people and ideas have moved around and come together throughout history.

In keeping with the theme, the History Group will launch the booklet "The History of the A377" by local resident historian Jean Wilkins, with visitors given the opportunity to see how and where the main road was cut through the village.

On both days, members of the History Group will conduct tours of the NSC church interior with its unique wooden bosses, rare monuments to King James II (17th century), the Northcott and Quicke families, the exterior church grounds and adjoining arboretum. For those with a head for heights and who want to get their daily steps in, tower captain Mary Quicke and bellringer Halcyon Pughe will provide guided tours up the church tower (an easy 80 steps to the top), past the bell chamber with its eight bells to the roof and its spectacular views of the countryside.

On the first day (Wed, 11th September) after the church tour, visitors can enjoy a two-course lunch at Jocelyne Whittaker's Adonai Community Kitchen in the Village Hall or they can bring their own picnic to enjoy in the arboretum.

On the second day (Sat, 14th September), the Newton St Cyres Ramblers will lead a short afternoon 'pilgrimage' (approximately 1 hour) along the river, across fields to our sister church, The Church of Our Lady in Upton Pyne. To keep up energy levels, tea, coffee, and home-made cakes will be available at both churches. "Heritage Open Days are fun and a lovely opportunity to learn more about our local history,"



Halcyon welcoming visitors to the stairs to the tower.

the arboretum, Adonai Community Kitchen, Newton Ramblers, and Newton St Cyres Church Community Association.

says Christine.
“Across the country thousands of wonderful buildings and places are opened up for relaxed, informal events that are free, open to all. (Donations will be welcome.) “It celebrates history by taking it 'off the page' and inviting you in,” says Christine.

This year's village Heritage Open Day is being organised by History Group, Newton Bellringers,



Christine in the church porch

For the full list of events and opening times, check the Heritage Open Days website at www.heritageopendays.org.uk

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Newton St Cyres Gardening Club



The flower arranging group

In a change from hosting a visiting speaker, we held a practical hands-on flower-arranging evening. The evening was skilfully (and patiently) led by Katrina from Bloom Bloom Flower Design. Most of us had no real experience of flower arranging and we had asked Katrina to guide us through producing a modern linear display. All the flowers and foliage were sourced by Katrina, and 10 of us had a thoroughly enjoyable evening.

We learned the importance of using freshly sourced flowers where stems should be cut at a 45-degree angle, rather than straight across, as this gives a greater surface area and allows an increase in the water uptake. We also learned how to use foliage, which, in addition to providing structure and mass, also enhances the flowers. Through leaf manipulation, we created interesting shapes, using tape, wires and staples and in some cases we made a small split in the leaf and threaded it through itself – ideas that I think were new to all of us, but certainly looked very creative. while being simple(once you knew how!).

The flowers and foliage used for each of our displays (arranged in a green plastic oval dish with a block of wet floral foam, taped in place) were:-

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| * 5 x Yellow Germini | * 3 x large Phormium leaves |
| * 5 x Ornithogalum | * Aspidistra leaves |
| * 5 x Craspedia (Billy Buttons) | * Snake Grass |
| * 5 x Yellow Iris | * China Grass |

Once we had the flowers and leaves in place, we used the additional foliage to 'hide' the container. By the end of a most enjoyable evening we had all produced similar, but not identical, displays. Each one showed our unique interpretation of

the original display. By regularly watering and trimming the stems, these arrangements lasted for several weeks.

Our thanks once again to Katrina for her professional tuition. If you were unable to come to the evening, Katrina does run classes from her workshop in Jackmoor. These cover a variety from beginner to advanced levels, with all materials included and you take home your creations. Full details can be found at <https://www.bloombloom.co.uk/courses>

Whilst on a visit to Stourhead in July we saw plants for sale from The Hairy Plant Pot Company based in Hampshire. These pots are made from coir, use peat-free compost and card labels. Care should be taken by anyone with a latex allergy. Plants should be removed from the pots before planting but the pots can be re-used or can be added to your compost heap, torn up and used as a mulch around plants. Full details about the company and stockists can be found at <https://www.kirtonfarm.co.uk/>

Wasps. As we move into late summer, wasps can often become a nuisance when eating outside (especially Cream Teas!!) Most of the year they are great predators of garden pests, but can become a problem when they are seeking out sugary foods. The National Trust at Stowe had sprayed their outdoor tables with a combination of Peppermint, Lavender, Lemon & Clove Oil. They had also introduced flowering plants to which wasps are not attracted to, including marigolds and thyme.

A-Z of Roses (from Peter Beales Roses, cont.)

G – Ground-cover: Banish the sight of bare soil beneath shrubs with glorious ground-cover roses. These roses might be smaller, growing broad rather than tall, but they pack a punch for flower power. Technically known as procumbent roses, they're ideal for filling beds with summer colour, keeping difficult-to-reach banks carpeted in colour and for growing in containers, too. More here: <https://www.classicroses.co.uk/roses/procumbent-roses.html>

H – Hybrid tea: These classic garden favourites tend to bear a single bud on the end of each stem which opens to reveal a single, glorious bloom (unlike floribundas, which produce clusters of flowers). Hybrid teas have one of the longest flowering periods of any garden plant, getting the show on the road in early summer and blooming until the first frosts of autumn. Browse the selection here: <https://www.classicroses.co.uk/roses/hybrid-teas.html>

I – Insects: Although roses are low maintenance, generally hassle-free plants, greenfly and blackfly can sometimes infest foliage and flower buds. Ladybirds often descend to feast on these unwanted bugs, but if nature's pest control is in short supply, aphids can easily be despatched by blasting them from plants using a hosepipe. Tackling infestations before they've built up makes it easier to rid plants of unwanted invaders, so be vigilant during the warm months.

Jobs for August

- * Summer Prune Wisteria. Cut back the whippy green shoots of this year's growth to five or six leaves. This will encourage flower buds to form.
- * Deadhead flowering plants regularly, to ensure longer flowering
- * Collect seeds from your own garden plants and swop with friends
- * Harvest vegetables as soon as they are ready
- * Pot up strawberry runners
- * Ensure ponds, other water features and bird baths are topped up
- * Take semi-ripe cuttings of evergreen shrubs such as Lavender, Hebe & Choisya –preferably from non-flowering stems. The cuttings should be between 4" and 6" with firm wood at the base and softer growth at the tip
- * If you have a bare area of ground after harvesting, you can sow a green manure. There are many mixes available at garden centres. These are fast growing and form a 'carpet' that smothers unwanted weeds. They will also absorb nitrogen, which is then released from the roots, when dug into the soil.

What's On?

Saturday 3 August. Efford House, Efford, Shobrooke, EX17 1BJ. Open 2.30pm-5pm

A fairly level 1-acre garden, with lawns and herbaceous borders, a pond, an orchard, polytunnel, vegetables and summer fruits. A gravel garden is under development.

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Wheelchair access: Yes, mostly good Dogs: Yes, on leads. Toilets: Yes (no wheelchair access)

Until 4th August. The Big Butterfly Count is a UK-wide survey aimed at helping us assess the health of our environment simply by counting the amount and type of butterflies (and some day-flying moths) seen during a 15-minute period during bright and preferably sunny weather. This year's count is nearly over, but will continue until Sunday 4th August. Full details can be found at <https://bigbutterflycount.butterfly-conservation.org/>

Friday 16th and Sunday 18th August. RHS Rosemoor Flower Show 10am–5pm. Garden open until 6pm. Normal admission prices apply. “Explore the stalls, where you will find quality plants from more than 20 specialist nurseries, offering a huge choice of grasses, flowers, shrubs, houseplants and more. Speak to knowledgeable growers and RHS experts, to get the best advice on how to care for the plants you already have or discover some more unusual plants, or ones that will thrive in problem areas. There will also be displays by those taking part in the Devon and Cornwall Floral Art competition.

Happy Gardening

Nicola Baker

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Important Notice: From the end of August the Post Office service in the Village Hall will be limited to **one morning** a week - **TUESDAY 9am - 11am.**

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Thoughts for August from Peter Cordingley

I went down with Covid a few weeks ago. I assume I contracted the virus from my wife, who thinks she picked it up in the village. And then two friends fell ill, though their symptoms were mild and they are now clear. My symptoms were milder than previous encounters with the virus, but my wife took a long while to shake off the effects.

When my symptoms first appeared, I phoned Redlands and told them that my age placed me in the high-risk category. Any special measures that I should take, I asked? The answer: They had no idea, as they had received no fresh guidance from the NHS, so I should just isolate myself, drink plenty of fluids and take Paracetamol for any unpleasant symptoms. I did as advised, and it worked well. Thank you.

But at least five cases in two weeks in a small village like Newton St Cyres, with the two friends insisting they didn't get it from each other or from my wife and me, seems to suggest something is going on, doesn't it? Are there more cases out there that we haven't heard about?

The government's website isn't much help. If I have understood the data correctly, there were 350 new cases nationally in the week up to June 26. That doesn't seem like many at all, but the problem is that nobody is actually counting. Only cases diagnosed in hospitals are showing up on lists, so we have no idea of the true extent of the disease across the country, even among relatives and friends of the sick.

All the same, you might be wondering why I'm interested in what, at face value, doesn't seem to be much of a public issue. The answer to that is that I had cause to deal with the NHS over something different – and it provided a link of sorts to the disarray in the service.

I was in the Redlands practice, trying to set up a routine appointment with a doctor. Trying is the right word, because I was having little luck. The receptionist was the most helpful person on the planet, but all she could offer was to put my name on a waiting list – a waiting list, for heaven's sake! She said they would call me when a free date came up. Her explanation: "Too many patients, not enough doctors."

Little doubt about that. The NHS is calculated to need more than 4,000 extra GPs to get back to "safe" operating standards. No wonder the junior doctors are in such a bolshie mood over pay and the loss of work-life balance, with long hours and little down time. At the same time an estimated 6.38million patients were waiting for treatment at the end of May, up from 6.33million at the end of April.

The new Health Secretary, Wes Streeting, must have gulped when he first peered into his minister's red box. His conclusion: the NHS is "broken". Yes, Minister, it is – and its time to fix it!

Newton St Cyres 200 Club

The month of May has just seen the year end for the 23/24 year of the 200 Club. As treasurer, I am pleased to report that we have been able to transfer the sum of £1,224 to the Parish Church for maintenance/improvements to the Church building. At our monthly draw throughout the year, a total of 63 prizes have been paid out to subscribers totalling £1,250, with amounts ranging from £10 to £100.

I would like to extend our thanks to all those who have participated in the Club to make this such a successful fund-raising venture. Many thanks also to the hard-working band of collectors who work hard to collect subscriptions for the current year, which started in June. Speaking of which, special thanks must go to Daphne Clague who, as an original lead for the 200 Club, currently has the most people to collect from, namely 46; a mammoth task!! Our problem... as many of you will know, Daphne and Tom will shortly be leaving the village. We wish them well for the future. This means we need to find new collectors to divide up this task that Daphne has done so successfully for many years. If you would be interested in helping us, please give Jane or myself a call and we will give you some details of how it all works.

Due to people leaving the area etc., **we currently have 13 spare tickets which are available for sale at £10 each for the year. Those numbers are: 30, 53, 85, 121, 122, 124, 125, 129, 154, 189, 196, 203 and 223**, so if you would like any of these **LUCKY** numbers, please let me know quickly before they get sold.

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WHAT NOW FOR MEL STRIDE?

Central Devon very nearly lost its longtime MP in the recent general election. But Mel Stride survived – just – to fight another day. Ann Quon Cordingley has been trying to find out what he'll be fighting for now and what he believes went wrong.

Conservative Party supporters in Central Devon have spent the month in sackcloth, while at the same time congratulating Mel Stride on his re-election to Parliament – even though it was a nail-biter down to the end, with his majority whittled to 61 from 17,721 last time out.

So what happened? Did the Central Devon MP lose the support of a large chunk of the rural community that has returned him to Parliament for the past 14 years – and if so, why? With a new Labour government now in charge, what will be his role in Opposition? And what now for a seriously wounded Conservative Party as they face another leadership change and five years in opposition?

If Mr Stride has the answers to those queries, he is keeping mum – at least to this correspondent. When invited by email to answer these questions and more, Mr Stride replied that due to the volume of work, he was unable to respond.

Pity, as many constituents of Newton St Cyres and beyond might well be interested to know what's on the mind of their MP. One thing we do know, though, is that he will continue his works and pensions brief as the shadow minister in opposition.

It's all quite a turnaround for someone who, as Works and Pensions Secretary, became the poster boy for the Tory Party during the election campaign. He was one of the very few senior members of the cabinet prepared to speak on the party's behalf. As the Daily Telegraph commented: "The Work and Pensions Secretary has represented the party on 'morning rounds' more times than any other Conservative minister." The Guardian teased: "And it's over to Mel Stride ... again! Where are all the other Tories? Ladbrokes?"

On results day, when the predicted Labour landslide was confirmed, Mr Stride stepped forward one last time to comment on the Tory defeat. He told the BBC: "There's a clear message from the public. We now need to go away and rebuild our party and think long and deeply about what has happened over the last 24 hours, and get ourselves back in a position where we are the natural party of government. But that is going to take time."

It was a characteristically candid view from a hardworking MP who is broadly admired for speaking bluntly and not hiding behind Westminster gobbledygook.



As for the questions I put to him, here they are:

1. Your majority fell from nearly 18,000 to a negligible number. How do you plan to win back the many who previously supported you but didn't this time?

2. Do you have a sense of the demographics of voters who did not support you – i.e., the young? the working class? and why you think they didn't vote for you this time?

3. Do you think you have lost the backing of the farming community, particularly over the non-delivery of Brexit promises, and if so, how do you plan to win back their support? [For the record, Mr Stride opposed Brexit.]

4. The national trend was to vote for change, which resulted in such a huge landslide for Labour. To what do you attribute the fact that you were one of the few Tories who were returned, even though you lost much of your support?

5. How does the Conservative Party rebuild after such a clear defeat and what will you do to contribute to that process?

6. What will your priorities be to help the people of Central Devon during what appears to be a difficult time ahead?

7. Any message for the people of Central Devon?

One of the issues that will be keeping Mr Stride busy is the question of the next leader of the Conservative Party after Rishi Sunak steps down. Mel Stride is known as a kingmaker, so his opinion counts. Who does he favour? I'll add that to my list of questions.

STOP PRESS – As we went to press, Mr Stride had suggested that he was considering standing for the leadership of the Conservative Party.

NEWTON ST CYRES RAMBLERS

For our June walk we enjoyed part of the Wray Trail from Bovey Tracey to Lustleigh. This trail is a great way to explore the Wray Valley, following in the footsteps of the Victorians who built the Newton Abbot to Moretonhampstead railway in 1866. The complete trail is 11km, is mainly traffic free, and links Bovey Tracey to Moretonhampstead, following the line of the old railway, which was closed to passengers in 1959.

Bovey is a small market town and is known as one of the gateways to Dartmoor. The station building has been well-preserved and is now a Heritage Centre. Our walk started from Station Road car park in Bovey and took us through Mill Marsh Park, where we followed the path, keeping the river to our right. We went under the road bridge into Parke and followed the old railway line on our right. On the day of our walk a race was going on so we enthusiastically cheered on the runners! Parke House is impressive and is now headquarters for Dartmoor National Park Authority. It was built in 1826 by Mr William Hole III, who contributed to local civic life and was an advocate for the new railway. Parke Estate is owned and managed by the National Trust.

We were fortunate with the weather, which allowed us to enjoy the scenery as we walked along the trail. This included woodland and extensive views across farmland. The trail is open to use by walkers (with and without dogs), cyclists and horse riders – all of which we encountered.

The walk was mostly flat, with a short incline into Lustleigh, along Lower Knowle Road. Our walk also allowed us to see some spectacular properties and admire the wildflowers growing along the hedgerows.

Lustleigh lies in the wooded valley of the Wray Brook. The station brought tourists to visit the village and the well-known Lustleigh Cleave is situated to the west of the village in a parallel valley. The railway gave new opportunities for local people to work in local towns, to make shopping trips and to go on day trips to the coast. It also enabled Micaceous Haematite (“Shining Ore”) to be exported from nearby Kelly Mine. The village is very picturesque, with a wonderful medieval church, thatched cottages and a picture-postcard inn – The Cleave, where we were booked for lunch! The Sunday Roast was excellent (with small portions available for those with smaller appetites).

We had left one car in Lustleigh in the morning before starting the walk, and this enabled the drivers of the vehicles left in Bovey to be driven back and then return in their cars to collect the rest of the group. Whilst this was happening, we walked a loop of the village along the lane by the cricket ground and also up to view the May Queen ceremony rock. In 1954 Town Orchard became the new location for the crowning ceremony of the May Queens.

Here we saw the granite rocks with the names of the May Queens inscribed upon them. The ceremonies originally started in 1905 and although the May Day Festivals continued throughout the First World War, there were no ceremonies between 1940 and 1954. No ceremonies were held in 2020 and 2021 either, due to Covid. Many reading this will have fond memories of May Queen ceremonies and Maypole dancing, in their own village or at their school. Were you a May Queen?



The Newton Ramblers

Were you a May Queen?

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Nicola Baker

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NEWTON ST CYRES HISTORY GROUP

We have now finished the evening lectures for the 2023/24 winter season and do not start next winter's until the 9th of October when we welcome John Salvatore who knows lots about when the Romans were in Exeter. However we shall be busy on the Heritage Open Days of 11th and 14th of September showing folk around the Church and Churchyard.

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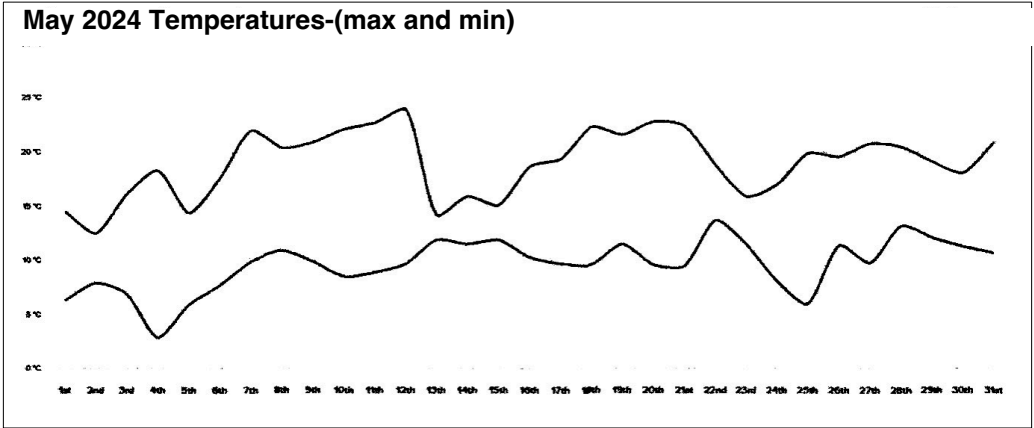
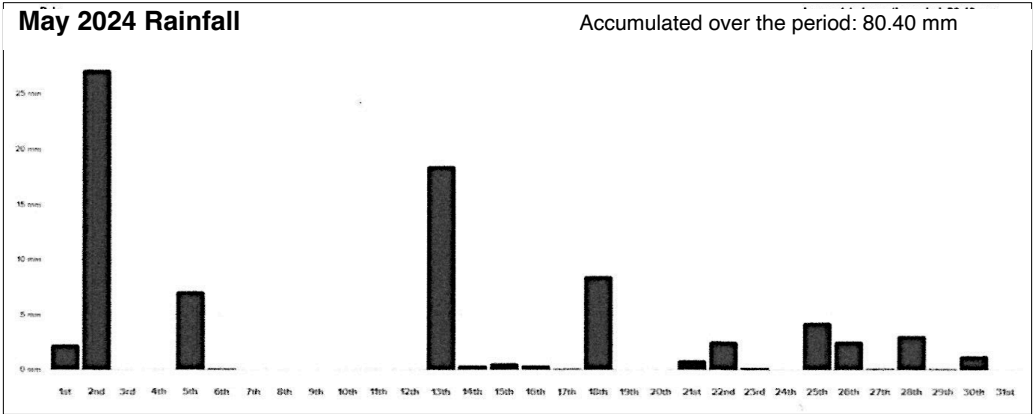
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The Weather in Newton St Cyres

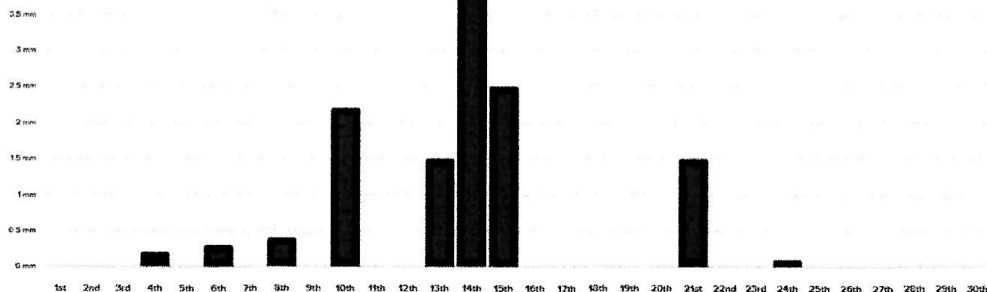
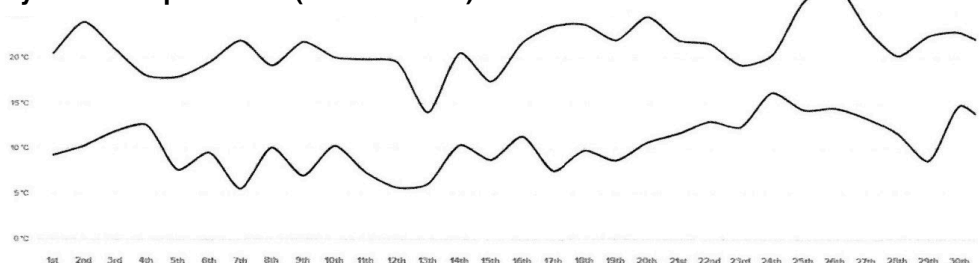
In this month's article we review May and June weather.

- * During this period the highest MONTHLY temperatures were 23.9 on 12th May and 28.2 on 26th June.
- * The lowest MONTHLY temperatures were 2.9 on 4th May and 5.6 on 7th June.
- * The wettest MONTHLY days were 2nd May at 27.2mm and 4mm on 14th June.
- * The sunniest MONTHLY days were 19th May at 21.4 kWh and 2nd June at 21.8 kWh.
- * The windiest MONTHLY days were 39.8 mph on 17th May and 37.3 mph on 3rd June.



June 2024 Rainfall

Accumulated over the period: 12.70 mm

**May 2024 Temperatures-(max and min)**

Rob Crane

Sandford Summer Show

Monday August 26th at 2pm in Sandford Parish Hall.

A new schedule is now available and can be downloaded from the Sandford Scene Facebook page and requesting a copy emailing sandfordsummershow@yahoo.com

There is something for everyone whether you are keen to enter fruit, flowers, vegetables, preserves, cookery, floral art, crafts and not least a children's section.

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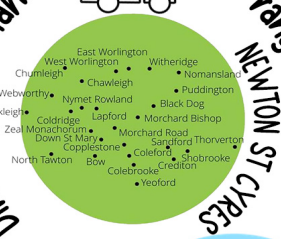
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Getting away to Jersey

My friend Thelma and I had decided not to go too far for our holiday this year and so it was that we chose Jersey, which seemed ideal. We flew from Exeter airport, which was fairly easy. It helps if you are able to check in online, although I don't think it would be too difficult without it as everything is very slick.

We stayed at the Westhill Hotel, which has three stars but feels better than that. The food and service were excellent and the rooms very comfortable. They came equipped with proper keys, which we liked! The hotel is very quiet with large gardens and a lovely heated pool. There is some evening entertainment

We went on a bus trip for a whole day, with a very entertaining commentary from the driver. Another interesting trip was on the land train, again with a running commentary.

I have to say we were a little disappointed at the lack of souvenir or craft shops (well, I was) as the island seems geared up for finance and investment .

If you are fleet of foot, there is a trip to Sark for a whole day.



picture Anne Westaway

Finding some shade

x

Anne Westaway

August on the Farm

When it all comes together

In August the richness of the year comes towards its peak. Fields come to harvest, the hedgerows come to ripeness. Blackberries like little jewels, green and red and glistening fat and black. Leaves hang heavy on the trees, as if weary with the year's work gathered in the seeds and fruit they have nurtured. People take the fruits of their labour, for a few the harvest, and for many a holiday.

Birdsong quietyens. No need to police your territory when there is enough for everyone. The young of all kinds explore the world, slowly getting off their parents' books, finding or being lunch. A ferocious buzzing overhead announces a hornet, our native gentle if alarming species. They are kept at bay earlier in the year by the house martins, and get bolder when the summer visitors go. We saw a little nest of slow worms, enjoying the warmth held in their roof of a large flat stone.

We've been trialling the Global Farm Metric, allowing us to think about our sustainability, food and farming and our impact on the planet measured in one go. I've peered at lichens on trees, dipped for insects in our river, and dug for earthworms in our soil, indicators of air, water and soil health.

The combine harvester is clanking around the landscape, collecting the grain we sowed last autumn. When it's dry, the machines go out, cut the straw, thresh the grain from the ear and literally separate the wheat from the chaff. We take the grain to the barn and come back and bale up the straw, with another clanking machine. That becomes feed and bedding. Everyone works together to get the harvest in. It's such a fulfilling time.



Mary with a friend

Animals graze sleekly in the fields. The grass has been more abundant, if not as rich, in this cool year. One herd of cows is calving now, grazing stalky grass while they wait in the maternity field, to keep them full but not fat. We reserve some tender new growth for the calved cows with their sudden need to make milk.

The cheese has had its annual makeover, deep

cleaning, tests and repairs that we can't do when we are making cheese. The stores have all the cheese maturing for the months ahead: here is cheese for now, for autumn, Christmas, next year and even next Christmas. The cheese starts off as glowing pale yellow pristine in its muslin cloth. At a month, there is a scattering of moulds. By five months the moulds are at their richest, a feast of colours, shapes and styles, Mondrian, Jackson Pollock or Paul Klee. Then mites come in and trim the moulds and secondary moulds come, and they develop more muddy Abstract Expressionist shapes, detailed dense and darker with successive generations of mould and mite

The Affineur of the Year competition in June had 10 of our cheeses go out (along with a Cropwell Bishop Stilton, a Baron Bigod soft cheese and a Whitelake Solstice washed rind cheese) to be matured by other people. Our cheese was matured in hay, with olive oil and smoked paprika among others. Specialist judges and many of our cheese family from the UK and abroad assessed the cheeses. The winning cheese was remarkably matured in a replica of an old-fashioned coal hole, which produced some lovely rich and nutty notes. It's exciting to see a wave of affinage, different approaches to maturing, develop in this country. There is so much to learn about rind as there is about soil and the myriad wonders of the natural world.

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Mon 16th Sept MARTIN GODFREY

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Mon 21st Oct ALLAN FRENCH

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Sat 23rd Nov ANNUAL GARDEN CLUB XMAS DINNER

Mon 2nd Dec Xmas Wreath & Decorations Making
10am At the Village Coffee Morning

Mon 20th Jan 2025

A G M @ 3 pm

Let's take a look at the rental market for a moment. Are you looking to rent somewhere on your own or share with other people? Having decided that, do you want to rent directly from a landlord or via a letting agent? Renting directly from a landlord may mean fewer fees, fewer references and maybe noneed to undergo a credit check. However, if you go through an agent they can liaise on your behalf with the landlord over things like repairs.

Rental properties in today's market are not always easy to find. You can look online, look in local papers, visit local estate agents and ask family and friends to help. Don't ever, however, pay any money to anyone before you have seen the property and ideally, take someone with you when you go to view. Don't rent from an existing tenant as you run the risk of subletting if the existing tenant doesn't have the right to rent to you, but they may be the person showing you around the property. You need to be very clear about how much the rent is, when and how it is to be paid (e.g. four weekly or calendar monthly), which bills, if any are included in the rent, how much the bills that aren't included amount to, how long the tenancy agreement is, whether there are options to renew and whether there is a break clause in the event you wish to terminate the agreement early.

Sometimes a landlord will request a holding deposit whilst they carry out pre-tenancy checks. This shouldn't be more than a week's rent and should be returned to you at the start of the tenancy. You need to also be clear about the documents you need to produce when agreeing to rent the property including evidence of your Right to Rent. Tenancy deposits are commonplace, but you need to know how it will be protected. Are any items of furniture or appliances included in the tenancy and can you have pets? If you can see obvious problems, these need to be fixed before you move in. Beware if a landlord refuses to rent to you because of race, religion or sexual orientation. A 'no kids policy' or refusing to rent to you because you receive benefits may class as discrimination. You don't need to disclose receipt of benefits to a landlord unless they specifically ask. Some may then require a guarantor particularly if you have no renting history or if they feel you may have trouble paying the rent.

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Crediton Heart's Summer Arts Festival

Looking for fun things to do with your children this summer? Look no further! Crediton Heart's family-friendly programme of activities and shows promises something for everyone.

Running from 8th to 17th August, the Heart Project has once again partnered with Crediton Arts Centre to deliver eight days of creative workshops, film screenings, theatre and music events. This year's programme builds on the success of summer workshops and activities held by the Crediton Heart Project and Crediton Arts Centre over the past two years.

"We're really excited to be delivering an even more varied programme this summer," said Rosemary Stephenson, Chair of the Heart Project, a local charity working to increase opportunities and improve facilities for people in the Crediton area.

Taking place across three venues, with lots for all ages, the workshops allow participants to try their hand at all sorts of crafty fun activities, from robot making to paper bead jewellery creation.

'We're hoping parents and carers will have fun as well by joining in the activities with their children,' said Rosemary.

Film screenings include Wonka and other-worldly fairy tale, The Shape of Water. There are also two evenings of music to enjoy – Heart Music showcases local musical talent at Crediton Arts Centre and another evening features local band, Moon Jazz, in the splendid setting of the parish church.

This year's festival culminates on Saturday 17th August with 'Arts in the Park', a fantastic day of free activities held in Newcombes Meadow. The day will feature a variety of engaging events to delight all ages, including street theatre performances, circus skills and drumming workshops. Additionally, there will be a craft fair and food stalls, all in the park from 10am-4pm.

Workshops are just £3 for under 16s, or £5 for 16+, Heart Music is £5 per ticket and Moon Jazz tickets are £8. For details of all events and to book tickets, visit <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/the-crediton-heart-project/>

The Summer Arts Festival is supported by Mid Devon District Council, Devon County Council and the National Lottery.

Creative Workshops Programme

8th – 17th August

For more details and to book your place visit

www.ticketsource.co.uk/the-crediton-heart-project

Workshops are open to all ages unless specified. Cost is £5 for 16+, £3 for under 16s.

Ages 11-15 must be accompanied by adult or a permission form signed at the venue.

Ages 5-10 must be accompanied by adult who can participate or watch.

At Crediton Arts Centre

Thursday 8th

Collage 2 - 5pm Make dream landscapes on concertina sketchbooks, with Charlotte Turner (Age 10+)

Friday 9th

Pottery 10am - 1pm Hand building creatures and garden decorations, to collect a week later, with Lynda Burton

Robot Making 2 - 5pm Make your own robots using found objects and recycling, with Fliss Shillingford (Age 7+)

Saturday 10th

Puppet making 2 - 3.30pm (Age 7-11)

4 - 5.30pm (Age 12+) Using recycled materials, we'll teach you how to make your very own coastal creature and learn how to bring them to life! with Boots & Moon Theatre

Thursday 15th

Mask Making 10am - 1pm Using paint, collage and bits & pieces to create masks to wear or for home decoration, with Teresa Rodrigues (Age 7+)

Gelli Plate Print Painting 2 - 5pm Painting and designing in layers on gelli plates. You'll work with stencils, botanicals, imagination and of course lots of paint! with Lesa Gray (Age 8+)

Friday 16th

Paper Bead Jewellery 10am - 1pm Exciting and easy bead creation to make into your own jewellery, with Holly Jarrett (age 12+)

Felt Making 2 - 5pm Quick, easy and colourful felt fabric made into shapes or as flat pictures, with Holly Jarrett

Pottery Collection 3 - 5pm Collect the pottery you made the week before.

Film & Music Events

Sunday 11th

Film Day at Crediton Arts Centre

3pm WONKA A musical fantasy of the early life of Roald Dahl's famous Willy Wonka. (PG) £5 & £3

7pm The Shape of Water Stunning visual fantasy from the storytelling master Guillermo del Toro. (Cert 15) £5

Wednesday 14th Heart Music

7.30pm at Crediton Arts Centre

A performance of summer sounds from Crediton's own musical talent. £5

Friday 16th Moon Jazz

7.30pm in Crediton Parish Church

Enjoy this popular local jazz band playing an eclectic mix of jazz standards and jazz influenced pop songs in the splendid setting of the parish church. £8

Arts in the Park

Saturday 17th August 10am – 4pm

A day out in Newcombes Meadow for all the family with free activities.

The Last Baguette theatre performances
11am-12pm, 1-2pm, 3-4pm

Devon Drumming workshops
12-1pm, 2-3pm

Higher Beings Circus workshops
11am-12.30pm, 2-3.30pm

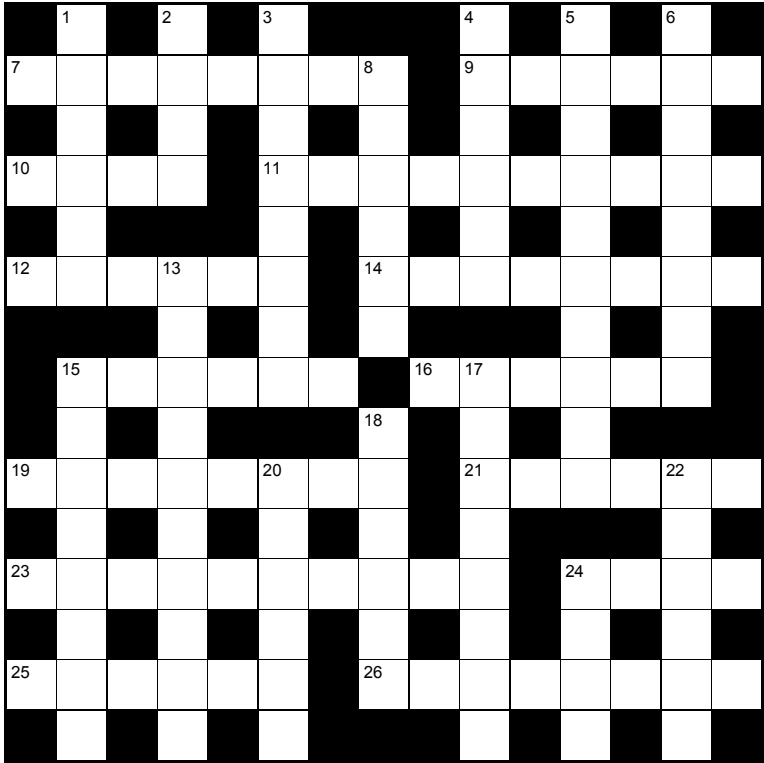
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Cryptic Crossword



ACROSS

- 7 Rogue can't hope for memorial (8)
- 9 I sat outside when ready (6)
- 10 Obese, gobbling seconds? Don't eat! (4)
- 11 Free of suspicion, hence trial collapsed (2,3,5)
- 12 Sounds like education cut (6)
- 14 One likely to lose is urged on anyhow, maintaining decorum initially (8)
- 15 Bag of cash confused alien (6)
- 16 Going up a trail (6)
- 19 Limit a large town's size (8)
- 21 Shrink cured loony with drug (6)
- 23 Passing on work to representatives (10)
- 24 American police hit heavily (4)
- 25 Subtle changes creating a stir (6)
- 26 Find out one's caught in port (8)

DOWN

- 1 Money back for a beer that's off – about time (6)
- 2 Disease giving a taste of France? (4)
- 3 Artist, one into ballet, shows brilliance (8)
- 4 Add a couple of pages to conclusion (6)
- 5 Loved one is riling Fred unfortunately (10)
- 6 Begin attack (3,5)
- 8 Strongly attack greeting by solicitor (3,3)
- 13 Escort a man around state capital (10)
- 15 Bet placed on unfashionable police operation (5-3)
- 17 Sees runs hit with certainty (8)
- 18 Army I'd assembled is countless (6)
- 20 One magazine starts to employ sexy pictures (6)
- 22 Top of column's black and yellow (6)
- 24 Display is partly British owned (4)

Set by Alberich

Sudoku

All you have to do is fill in the squares so that each row, each column and each square contain all the numbers from 1 - 9.

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Solution to July 2024 Cryptic Crossword

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Managing and Coping with Change

Well, no one can't say that July was a quiet month!

The General Election here brought a significant change to our government. After any number of challenges and upheavals across the political landscape – particularly Covid, the cost-of-living crisis and our shifting relationship with Europe – it is now the turn of the Labour Party to pick up the governing reins and seek to steer a course for the whole of the UK.

But the UK hasn't been the only nation to face political change. France has also been to the polls following President Macron calling a snap election and forcing that nation to explore and deeply consider its future direction for itself and its role in Europe.

And then, in America, the attempted assassination of the former president, Donald Trump, has challenged the whole political spectrum. Whatever your views and thoughts on the political situation in the USA, seeking to disrupt their election process through violence cannot be a way forward.

I offer my prayers and blessings that these democratic countries are able to provide a peaceful transition of power, amidst a period of global instability.

But change is also happening here in our little corner of the country. Revd Deborah Leighton Plom has joined our team. She will be serving her curacy with us – in essence it is a period of about three years 'on the job' training. I'll let her introduce herself:

"Thank you for your warm welcome so far to the Netherexe mission community. I am your new curate and am looking forward to working in the team led by Revd Tim Collins, your priest-in-charge. We have moved into Stoke Canon vicarage, but have not come far, as we have just relocated from Exeter. I'm here with my husband Ash, and our son Alfred, who is 13. (Our two older daughters have now left home). Ash is also ordained. Most recently, he has been serving as clergy at St. David's church in Exeter, and is currently working for Exeter YMCA. He is licensed as a priest for the whole diocese, so he may help out occasionally to the mission community here too.



I trained for ministry at St. Mellitus theological college, having been prodded and cajoled by God into hearing a calling to priestly vocation. Before training, I worked in prisons across the South-West, supporting people who were due for release and helping them plan how they would resettle into the community. Prior to that I was an advocate in the NHS complaints system, ensuring people had their voices heard when things went wrong. Supporting people on the margins to have a voice has always been at the heart of my vocation.

In my spare time I love reading, creative writing, and painting. Watching the birds in

the garden is currently bringing me great joy. I am very much looking forward to finding out about all the activities going on in the community, and meeting people across the parishes over the coming months. If you see me, do say hello!"

We offer Deborah and her family all blessings for a fruitful ministry in this wonderful part of Devon.

All blessings

Tim

Priest-in-Charge, Netherexe Mission Community

SERVICES & INFORMATION AUGUST 2024

The Netherexe Parishes - A community of Anglican churches in Devon

Please see our website at www.netherexe.org under "Services" section.
We also have a calendar for services & latest events are under "news".

Sunday 4 August

10:00 am	Lammas Service	Cadbury	Lay Led
10:30 am	Coffee & Chat	Newton St Cyres	Lay Led
05:00 pm	Communion	Stoke Canon	TC/DLP

Sunday 11 August

09:30 am	Communion	Thorverton	KR
10:30 am	Communion	Upton Pyne	GC

Sunday 18 August

09:30 am	Communion	Bramford Speke	GC
09:30 am	Bubble Church	Thorverton	Lay Led
10:00 am	Coffee & Chat	Stoke Canon	Lay Led
11:15 am	Communion by Extension	Cadbury	LF
11:15 am	Pet Service	Rewe	Lay Led/DLP

Sunday 25 August

09:30 am	Communion	Newton St Cyres	TC
11:15 am	Communion	Rewe	TC

Every Tuesday at 6:00pm we gather for prayer in Rewe Church

At **Communion** services we share bread and wine: you are welcome to join us for the service and to share communion if you wish. A lay minister occasionally leads this service.

At **Coffee and chat** we enjoy time together in conversation with coffee and cake to hand.

At **Services** we share together in song, prayer and the bible. Special services are noted in the description.

Bubble church is for young families and **Messy Church** for families who enjoy craft.

Revd Tim Collins [Priest in charge] Tel: 01392 860767 tim.collins@netherexe.org

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

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We are looking for volunteers/young people doing their D&V, Tents or looking for community experience for their CV, before attending university. We also would appreciate anyone that is free on a Tuesday or Wednesday from 11 to 3pm to help with our Community Kitchen in Newton St Cyres Parish Hall.

Neighbourhood Watch Deputies

Tim Sedgwick	Godolphin Close	2	851223	twsedgwick1@supanet.com
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Bookings Secretary, Peter Watts: peterwatts369@btinternet.com: 01392 851369

A WEEK IN THE PARISH HALL

If you wish to book the Hall or learn more about the facilities, please contact our Bookings Secretary, Peter Watts at peterwatts369@btinternet.com or by phone at 01392 851369

Nigel Chambers, Chairman, Hall Management Committee

Tuesday (weekly)	Line dancing	7.30 pm	Paula Benford	01392 210830	pbenford45@gmail.com
Tuesday (weekly)	Adonai Community Kitchen	12.00 - 2.00pm	Jocelyne Whittaker	07508 871172	TheAdonai-CKitchen@outlook.com
Tuesday (fortnightly)	Young Farmers Club	8.00 pm	Katie Davie	07706 760500	kmdavie@gmail.com
Wednesday (weekly)	Adonai Community Kitchen	12.00 - 2.00pm	Jocelyne Whittaker	07508 871172	TheAdonai-CKitchen@outlook.com
Wednesday (monthly)	History Group	7.30 pm	Jean Wilkins	01392 851337	jeanwilkins1@btinternet.com
Thursday (weekly)	Pilates	11.00 am	Becky	07392 480974.	ivegotyourbackuk@gmail.com
Thursday (Twice per month)	Mah Jong	2.00 pm	Geoff Jackson	01392 851551	megalops@btinternet.com
Thursday (2 nd in month)	Exe Valley Bird Club	7.00 pm	Kevin Smaldon	07710 427817	kevin.smaldon@btinternet.com
Thursday (monthly)	Parish Council	7.00 pm	Jane Hole	01392 851148	parishclerk@newtonstcyres-pc.gov.uk
Friday (some weeks)	Art class	10.30 am	Sue Rose	01363 772284	suerose9@hotmail.com
Friday (weekly)	Table tennis	7.00 pm	Roger Wilkins	01392 851337	rogerwilkins1@btinternet.com
Saturday (second in month)	Village Coffee morning sponsored by various oorganisations	10.30 am	Church Sue Browne	01392 851460	suecbrowne@gmail.com
			Others Roger Wilkins	01392 851337	rogerwilkins1@btinternet.com
Saturday (some months)	Model train group	2.00 pm	Ann Feetham	01392 215837	annfeetham@virginmedia.com

WHO'S WHO IN THE VILLAGE

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Church Wardens	Sue Browne, 1 Glebelands, Sand Down Lane	01392 851460
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Art Group	Jenny Hallam:- jennyhallam6@gmail.com	7787383658
Neighbourhood Watch	Damien Hodge, 2 Tytheing Close damienhodge@newtonstcyres-pc.gov.uk	01392 851111
Footpath Warden	Steve Parker, Lilly Farm.	01392 851505
Newton Environmental Wellbeing Group	Andrew Broadhead, newnewgroup@protonmail.com	07813 532544

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District Councillors	Sandy Chenore:- schenore@middevon.gov.uk Martin Binks:- mbinks@middevon.gov.uk	
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Football Club	Mark Smaldon	7733455177
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History Group	Jean Wilkins	01392 851337
Table Tennis	Roger Wilkins	01392 851337
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