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Cover

Our cover picture this month is of the tall sequoias in the Arboretum. At the AGM of the Friends of the Arboretum held on 12th June a new committee was elected including two new members, Simon Rickard and Bruce Kerry.

Two of the longest-serving members were awarded Life Membership: David Vallance for his work organising and doing much of the restructuring of the Arboretum and Peter Watts for his constant support, fund raising and serving years as treasurer.

The General Election

Everyone can have their say on July 4th at the general election. There are six candidates in the Central Devon seat in which we live. We have listed them all and printed a brief outline of them and their views. Do not forget to use your vote.

Essay Prize

On page 17 of this issue we print details of the Nick Baker Local History Prize. The prizes, which are to be awarded in December, have been provided by an anonymous donor.

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT 6th June 2024

The meeting, held on Thursday 6th June 2024 was attended by six councillors, the Parish Clerk, the footpath warden and one member of the public.

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

Planning Applications

- 24/00766/HOUSE - Erection of replacement porch at 1 Broadgate Cottages, Newton St Cyres, Exeter, Devon, EX5 5AY – no comment
- 24/00768/LBC - Listed Building Consent for the erection of replacement porch at 1 Broadgate Cottages, Newton St Cyres, Exeter, Devon, EX5 5AY – no comment
- Consultation as a neighbouring parish - 24/00696/MFUL- Erection of an agricultural building for free-range egg laying unit at (Summerhay Farm) Shobrooke.

Newton St Cyres Parish Council are commenting with concerns about drainage, and increased traffic. NCS PC are in support of hedge/tree planting to mitigate both drainage issues and the visual impact of high fences and the building. The public rights of way should remain accessible with appropriate signage.

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Report from District Councillors on issues relevant to the Parish:

None as D/Cllr M Binks and D/Cllr S Chenore were not in attendance

Report from County Councillor on issues relevant to the Parish

None as C/Cllr M Squires was not in attendance.

Other Parish matters:

Update on meetings held with the Church, Parish Hall and Rec Ground re provision of grants

- Cllr L Ouldridge gave an update on progress to date with the above organisations and noted that discussions were ongoing with all three.
- **Church** – the proposed area for the new graveyard would be used as a Garden of Reflection until it was needed for burials and access has been agreed with the Quickes via the arboretum. The oldest graves in the churchyard will be maintained as a biodiversity project while the newer graves would be mowed.
- **Parish Hall** – a draft service agreement had been circulated and a meeting was planned for later in June.
- **Rec Ground** – It was hoped that the Rec could be included in Mid Devon's Playing Pitch Strategy and this would be investigated further.

Grass Cutting – Cllr D Harris

Cllr D Harris confirmed that the lowest quote had been accepted for grass cutting and the Clerk is waiting for the new contractor to provide details of insurance and risk assessments

Report from Crediton Cluster Meeting 19 January – Cllr L Ouldridge

Cllr L Ouldridge reported that QE School in Crediton would be undertaking various renovation works at the upper and lower site, resulting in changes to the future size of the school and the Clerk has requested more information.

Quarterly Report – Emergency and Resilience – Cllr P Stephenson

A letter has been drafted for circulation for houses bordering the Shuttern Brook which explains riparian rights and living with water.

A grant of £371 has been received from Devon Communities Together to pay for refelting of the resilience sheds, throw ropes and batteries.

Quarterly Report – Publicity and Community Engagement

Updated Play equipment has been discussed with the Rec. The Clerk is assisting Cllr J Browne on the grant requirements for the S106 application.

Quarterly Report – Travel and Road Safety – Cllr J Dean

- **Boniface Trail.** - Cllr J Dean reported on a meeting held in April with a DCC Officer and WSP Consultants. The Boniface Trail was now included in the Countywide Local Cycling Walking and Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) top 10 routes. DCC had promised to run public engagement meetings over the summer/into the autumn. The cost for Phase 1 of the trail (Crediton to Newton St Cyres) was estimated at £11 to £14 million.
- **Community Speed Watch** program has been going well with eight volunteers across several sites. A suggestion was made for local CSW groups to communicate and co-ordinate for action across the district.
- **Road Warden Scheme.** Work had been carried out at Camps Bridge and a parish map showing the location of drains has been drawn up for future reference. The dangerous road surface at Winscott Barton had been repaired by DCC and the flooding cleared.
- Cllr J Dean undertook to find out if depth gauges were permitted on highways. If permitted, then the Parish Council could consider the cost of installation along Langford Road.
- Cllr J Dean had recently attended a DCC Highway zoom presentation where he had raised the issue of the lack of engagement from DCC. Several other Cllrs attending reported similar problem with DCC engagement
- **The Footpath Warden** updated Cllrs on a recent meeting the Boniface Trail Group had held with DCC. The meeting was positive and lots of information and expertise had been shared and future meetings were planned.

Minor matters:

The Clerk had received an email from a parishioner expressing concerns about the recent spraying in Station Road. A parishioner had requested that the roadside hedges and vegetation be cut back along Station Road especially from the Creedy bridge to the Beer Engine. It was resolved to consider these at the next meeting under the Environmental report.

Date of next Parish Council meeting: Thursday 4th July 2024 at 7pm in the Club Room

Jenna Browne

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, is that 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.

Good luck everyone!!!

The winners for June 2024 were:

No. 228	T Browne	£10.00
No. 25	S Lane	£10.00
No. 164	W Lewis	£10.00
No. 188	P Benford	£10.00
No. 185	P Cordingley	£10.00

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

John Salter 01392 851346 and
Jane Hole 01392 851148

Newton St Cyres Tennis Club

Summer is around the corner and so is Wimbledon! So it's the time to get into tennis again. Even if the weather is chilly, a game of tennis will get you warm!

There are regular sessions for rusty rackets on Saturdays. The person to contact is Sue Bloomfield at sueblmfd03@gmail.com and she can let you know what time the sessions are.



Come and join the other club sessions. They are well attended and, apart from exercise, provide lots of fun and banter. The sessions cover a wide range of abilities and ages so there is something for everybody. So try the club for a couple of sessions and then you can decide whether to join. Just contact our membership secretary, Laura Leigh on 01647 24259.

The summer league is well on its way. There are three mixed teams and one men's team.

Junior coaching, run by our club coach Jon Wills, takes place on Wednesdays after school during term time. There are currently a few places available in some of the groups. Please email juniors@newtonstcyrestenniscub.co.uk for further information and to check availability.

Jon also offers adult coaching, both individually and for small groups, so if you feel you need to brush up your skills, just get in touch via our website at newtonstcyrestenniscub.co.uk.

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COMMUNITY ALLOTMENT NEWS.

We have extended the allotment this year and hope to have more produce to share with our community. Our plan is to have a box in the Village Hall garden beside the back door and the flood hut. See photograph below.



We will hope to fill this with fresh produce twice a week. Usually around mid week and the weekend. We want you all to help yourselves to whatever you will use. It's for everybody.

We are also hoping to have boxes in Tytheing Close and in Sweetham.

It's local, organic, fresh and free!

I hope you like our produce.

If you want to come and help us at the allotment, please make contact. You don't have to know anything about gardening!

Happy days!

Gail Meldrum

Please contact me if you have any questions:- Meldrumgail@gmail.com



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Summer menus

Soft fruits and new potatoes make welcome addition to summer menus. Do not forget to add mint to the potatoes, and plenty of butter. They are good in salads, too.

Strawberries with orange make a refreshing summer pudding.

Take 1lb (500g) strawberries, remove the stalks and set aside.

Make a puree from 8oz (250g) strawberries (in a blender or rub the strawberries through a fine sieve)

Add the juice of an orange and sweeten to taste with castor sugar. Pour the puree into a serving bowl

Place the remaining whole fruit on top and chill in the fridge

Serve with vanilla ice cream or yogurt.

Paul Cleave

Newton Ramblers

Walk Sunday 21st July 2024, to be led by Anne Rice

I would like to welcome you to join me on this approx. 5 mile walk from The Bridford Inn Bridford up over the hill and through the woods to Kennick reservoir and back through farmland where there will be the opportunity to have lunch at the Bridford Inn if you have prebooked. 01647 252250. Well behaved dogs on a lead are welcome in the Bridford Inn.

- * Those travelling from Newton St Cyres should meet at the Parish Hall Car Park at 0945 to arrange car sharing.

I will meet you at the Bridford Inn EX6 7HT carpark at 10.30am on the day. If you are having lunch after the walk you may park in the car park of the Inn. If you are not staying for lunch, please park in the village on the roadside. I suggest that you share cars.

- * Lunch has been booked for 10 people at the Bridford in at 1.15pm

If you would like lunch, please ring Nicola to reserve your place on 01392 851985 by Friday 12th July. Places will be allocated on the speed of your response.

About the walk

This is a circular walk mostly on footpaths. It is varied. We will be walking through woods and across farmland as well as along the side of the Kennick reservoir. Even in July there are likely to be muddy areas, so please wear walking boots. There is some rough and uneven ground as well as a fair bit of up and down hill. Well behaved dogs are welcome but must be kept on a lead due to much of the walk being adjacent to farmland. We will be walking through beautiful countryside with some lovely views.

Hope to see you there

Anne



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SUMMER BREAK

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Look forward to seeing present and new players before
the break on Thursdays in the Parish Hall from 7 to 9 pm
And then when we restart on 5 Sept 2024

A Small Free Garden Plot- Tytheing Close

Is anyone interested in taking on, and to keep tidy a 7.46m x 2.74 (approximate measurements) plot of ground, the top of my back garden, narrow access, optional shed use! To be rotavated and good soil for growing veg!
Contact: email- jennytuckermillie@gmail.com(for photo/more info, if interested),
Thank you .

Newton Nappies

A message from the volunteer leaders

At the end of this school year both Karys and I will be stepping down as volunteer leaders for the group due to new commitments. We both hope to be around to help out where possible, but we are looking for new volunteers to run the group.

Contact me on 07890313010 or find us on Facebook or Instagram. We look forward to hearing from you!

Kelly Berry

Chris the bee man

Anyone finding a honey bee swarm that you would like collected.

Please contact Chris on

07971704793 or 01392851998 diver.chris@hotmail.com

Or pop in to Orchard View, West Town Road, Newton St Cyres.

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)**

Our mining heritage, both manganese, claimed to be "*the first commercially successful manganese mines in the world!*", and lead & silver up on Tin Pit Hill that may go back to Roman times.

- **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.

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

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

UK Censuses on Newton St Cyres (1841-1911)

Newton St Cyres Tithe Map of 1843



Copies can be purchased by contacting

Jean Wilkins 01392 851337 jeanwilkins1@btinternet.com



Do You Remember...July?

July 1974

The Church thanked the St Cyres Players for re-decorating the Church room which had been used for rehearsals. Cowley Church launched an Organ fund to repair their organ. There was an appeal by John Quicke for people to close gates when cutting across from Tytheing Close and Station Road and across Court Barton fields.

The Flower and Produce Show at the Rec. was advertised with sideshows, refreshments and children's Fancy Dress competition. Admission for adults was 8p and children 3p The Coffee Club held a Treasure Hunt devised by the Whites of Cartaway. The team of Baileys and Scotts were the winners.

The Parish Council reported that Tiverton District Council would collect garden waste from Woodlands if it was put in the proper containers. The grant to the Churchyard was increased by £5 and the bad surface of Lilly Lane was reported to Devon County Council. An accident was reported in the village when a car travelling towards Exeter skidded on the wet road and crossed the road and the lay-by and went onto the Village Green, hitting Mrs Herring who suffered a broken leg and her daughter, Gillian who suffered bruising.

July 1984

An interesting article appeared by Beryl Peck on the Friends of NSC Parish Church. This group was formed in 1983 to raise funds for the Church and information leaflets were available.

Jean Wilkins and Eileen Endacott were selling printed posters depicting an old map of the village. The funds raised were to go to the School Swimming Pool Fund. 38 people had walked on the Newton Walkabout.

July 1994

Congratulations were recorded to Henry Gliddon on being made Member of the Most Honourable Order of the British Empire and details of his interests and support of local organisations were listed.

In Cook's Corner a recipe appeared for Elderflower Cordial.

The Cancer Research Campaign were holding a Dog Show and Car Boot Sale at the Recreation Ground.

At the Parish Council Mr Gliddon reported that he had attended a meeting in Crediton about the volume of traffic on the A377. Complaints had been received about the speed of vehicles using Sand Down Lane and West Town Road.

The Football Club end of season presentations were reported and awards went to Mark Browne, Darren White, Paul Taylor, Tim Doherty, David Harris, Richard Southcott, David Holman and Kevin Skinner. 35 parishioners attended the Extraordinary General Meeting at the Parish Hall and the following were elected: Chairman - Jenny Sprague, Secretary and Booking Secretary - Jean Pyle, Treasurer - Mr A P Fleming and Caretaker - Mrs Mitchell.

There was a report by the Twinning Circle on a visit by Doug and Sylvia West and Margaret and Keith Hazell to Rots.

July 2004

The magazine had a new cover produced by Daniel Howarth of Pump Street.

It was reported that Broadband would be arriving in the parish in August.

The Twinning visit to Rots was reported on and Rots won the Royal Marine Trophy which they will hold in perpetuity in Rots.

Brian Vicary had retired as Church Warden.

The Young Farmers were conducting a survey to see what was required in the Play Area at the Recreation Ground.

July 2014

Western Power had donated an Emergency Pack to the village which contains useful items which can be used in the event of a severe power cut due to heavy rain, storms or gales. The pack contained such things as an analogue telephone, torch with batteries, powerbank for charging mobile phones, rechargeable radio, foil blanket, reusable hand warmer and information booklet.

Quickes welcomed two special guests to Home Farm in Newton St Cyres. The Earl and Countess of Wessex were present at an engagement to officially open Quickes Farm Kitchen as part of their tour of the region.

Hanlons Brewery, formally O'Hanlons, was officially re-launched on 5th June and celebrated with a party for over 300 guests.

The "Friends" celebrated their success winning best station on the Tarka line for 2013.

The Rec Club reported on a new venture, a Beer Festival. This was the day before the Revels which was to be held again this year. An Archery open day on the 20th, a Wedding Party on 26th and a Tennis Tournament on 27th.

The Community Support Group reported that the defibrillator was now located in the village, beside the Crown and Sceptre. Training in its use was going to be organised.

The Twinning Circle made a short visit to Rots. The hosts (and most of Normandy!) were extremely busy with their organisations for the D Day Landing commemorations. Rots is located just inland from the D day beaches and was caught up in the middle of the battles. As well as hosting the winners, the following week a delegation from Newton St Cyres School, and many Canadian war veterans were also arriving in Rots.

It was reported at the Parish Council Meeting that the "Harrington Hump" had been installed at the station so that it was easier to board and alight from trains.

Newton St Cyres Parish Council held a Public Consultation to display plans for the proposed move of the school to a new site in Station Road. In Addition the adjoining site would accommodate up to 25 dwellings.

Peter Hawksley



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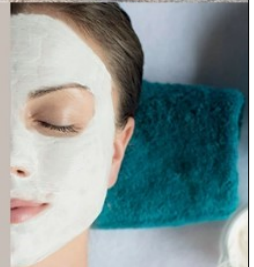


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Creamy Chicken & Mushroom Pie & Vegetables

Teriyaki Stir Fry (vegan) Noodles, veg & toasted sesame seed

Ranch Salad (Vegan) Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber, Diced Peppers,
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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.

We always like to hear if you have dug up something interesting in your garden or perhaps have discovered something unusual or surprising about your old house. Do share it with us.

Jean Wilkins



Nick Baker Local History Prize – £100 and £50

Nick Baker, who lived in Cowley for many years, was an avid local historian who was always happy to share his knowledge and expertise. In his honour, the Nick Baker Local History Prize of £100 will be awarded at the end of 2024 for the best local history article submitted to the Newton Wonder. A runner-up prize of £50 will also be available.

The rules of this competition are:

- Articles should be between 750 and 2,500 words in length, and may deal with any aspect of the history of one or more of four local areas – Newton St Cyres, Cowley, Upton Pyne and Brampford Speke.
- Authors must be resident in one of the four areas at the time their articles are submitted, though they do not need to write about the area in which they live.
- The inclusion of images to illustrate the articles is encouraged.
- Articles must not have previously been published elsewhere and must be submitted by email to editor@newtonwonder.net or as hard copies to Station Cottage, Newton St Cyres, EX5 5AS to arrive no later than midday on 1 December 2024.
- The judges are Peter Hawksley, Jean Wilkins and Jilly Baker, and their decision is final on all matters.

How well do you know your village?

Can you answer the following questions?:-

1. **WHEN** was the picture taken?
2. **WHERE** was it taken?
3. **WHO** is in the Picture?

No 87



For a closer look see our website:-www.newtonwonder.net
On the Home Page you will find this picture and a link to all the quiz photos so far and an easy form to submit your answers.

Newton St Cyres toddler group

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

It is great family fun.

Our family sessions are £2 a time and run from 9:15 - 11:15 am. The price includes a drink and a snack.

We would love you to join us at Newton St Cyres Primary School



Kelly Berry
07890313010

or see our facebook page
Newton Nappies

This year, Newton St Cyres opens its calendar 2025 to budding photographers across the community of Newton St Cyres to submit their best shots from around the community.

We want to see a snapshot of village life and beauty. The theme of the calendar is **"Life in the Village"**.

We want people to buy the calendar and have the whole experience of life within the community and need you to take pictures of our landscapes, wildlife, people working on the land, businesses and more.

Pictures can be posted to <https://www.facebook.com/thenewtonwonder/> or <https://www.instagram.com/thenewtonwonder/>

CALENDAR 2025



Newton St Cyres Calendar 2025



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Bert Jewell writes Rhymes and Ways about Gardens and Gardening

July

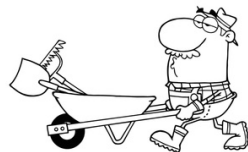
July, and the garden is bursting with colour and scent,
A reward let's say, for the hours we've spent,
Planting, deadheading, a clip here and there,
Whilst watching for the pests that are hiding somewhere.

Like greenfly on shoots so soft and new,
At first you don't bother there's only a few,
You turn your back for a day, or maybe two,
And there's hundreds and hundreds from only a few.

How do snails find the Hosta's as they travel by night,
I often wonder, what if plants could fight!
Waving their leaves like Cooper's left hook,
Could this be a line for a new gardening book.

A sawfly visiting the garden of fruit,
Looking for a bush that surely will suit,
A bush where the larvae can eat and play,
There could be no leaves by the end of the day.

A fly in the veg patch flying quite low,
Searching for the carrots in their neat little row,
But enough of all this, back to colour and scent,
A reward for us all, for the hours we've spent.



Things to do in the garden

I have heard that we are now supposed to be friends with slugs and snails, and, yes, apparently, we all have a reason to be on this earth. But when slugs and snails wipe out 90% of your parsnips and carrots, it's hard to accept them as friends.

Lots of people have told me that for the first time, their seedlings have vanished overnight. Modern slug pellets are supposed to make slugs and snails feel full, here's hoping they work, will let you know next time.

Talking of carrots, the carrot fly can be a real problem for the amateur gardener trying to grow fresh veg. A few things to remember, when thinning your carrots, don't squeeze the foliage tight and don't leave the ones you pull out on the ground, the scent will attract the fly. There are some varieties

that are more resistant than others. Read the pack before you buy. One other thing to think about: the carrot fly flies about 24" above the ground, so a barrier of fleece or insect mesh around the carrots could save the day. Now let's talk about that colour and scent that I started off with in my poem. We have a lavender hedge down at our allotment, "Lavendula Hidcote". It makes a low hedge about 18" high and encourages bees into the allotment.

At home we have two bushes in our garden, a pale pink variety "Lavendula Rosea" (this one is not doing very well and may have to be replaced,) and "Lavendula Vera", a compact variety with purple/blue flowers, growing really well and full of flowers.

So don't be disappointed if a plant is struggling, do what you can to make it happy, if it works fine, if it doesn't try a different variety or a different plant altogether.

With summer now in full swing the hanging baskets and containers can really put on a show. Deadhead regularly and after about six weeks start adding potash to the water, either full strength once a week or a little each time you water. High-potash tomato food is ideal.

Plant of the month

Liatris is a hardy perennial with grass like foliage. In July /August, erect flower spikes are densely clothed in small, fluffy flowers, pink, purple – or there is now a white variety. The unusual thing about this plant is that the blooms open from the top down, although the bottom buds form first, if you know what I mean. It can grow to about 2' high in well-drained soil, sun or light shade. It dies down completely in winter so mark the spot.

Enjoy your gardening!

Newton St Cyres gardeners were well represented among the visitors to Bert and Margaret's Open Garden for Hospicecare on Saturday and Sunday 15th and 16th June.

Picture shows the central flower bed.

Photo by Bert Jewell



HOME TRUTHS FROM SPAIN

Tony Lane is back home in Newton St Cyres, fresh from walking 150 kms along the legendary Camino de Santiago pilgrimage route in Spain. His aim was twofold – to raise money for the village church and, at the age of 82, to discover more about himself. Here are his thoughts.

Before

The pilgrimage is both a 'physical' and 'spiritual' adventure. My aim was to meet new people and to meet myself. The walk is the kind of journey that is best measured in friends rather than kilometres!

Mind you, I nearly gave up before I had even started: sorting out air fares, trying to find suitable overnight accommodation on my planned route, and, last but not least, was I really going to be fit enough to take on this challenge? The more I trained, the worse my discomfort became from arthritis in my big toes.



Photo by Tony Lane

Anyhow, on Monday 13th May I checked in at Heathrow Terminal 5, only to find half the world were there as well! It became a long day as we were routed via Madrid, which due to Brexit, meant I had to go through customs control for a second time that day! Arriving at A Coruna, I found I had missed the next bus to Ferrol, our starting point, but managed to link up with another walker and we shared a taxi.

During

Stepping out of my hotel the next morning revealed my first problem. I had assumed "the rain in Spain falls mainly on the plain!" Wrong! Believe me, I endured worse weather than you were experiencing in England. Rain every day, and as I did not have suitable rain gear, I got wet. Very wet. I had a waterproof hat and over-trousers – but both leaked! I

At the start of the walk – in the rain, of course.

also had a plastic mac, which meant I got too hot, and the rain running down the outside found its way onto my legs and down to my feet! Apart from that I was well equipped! However, I also dried out as the sun usually made a brief appearance in the afternoon.

Something else I had slightly overlooked was the ascents I would have to tackle every day. This ranged from 340 metres to nearly 900 metres, with much of it on rough forest paths. Aside from this, there was obviously a certain amount of descending. So how did my feet take this? Surprisingly well, as I had invested in really good boots fitted with orthotic inner soles. Yes, some of the time my feet ached, but no blisters! This surprised me as I was covering over 20 kms a day on hilly terrain, walking usually over six hours a day. As you can imagine, a beer at the end of the day really hit the right spot!



Photo by Tony Lane

Friends made along the way.

Although travelling alone, I came across a variety of people, including two specialist cancer surgeons (one Hindu, one Christian); four vibrant Spanish women; three women from Ireland and four from Ulster! Most evenings, I would find myself enjoying their company at local Spanish restaurants.

As you might imagine, by meeting such a variety of the people as I walked, the topics discussed varied enormously from in-depth conversation concerning introspection, to appreciation of being able to totally relax and soak up the atmosphere and beautiful surroundings.

The not so good moments

On the last two days I would suddenly find myself confronted by a large group of walkers (Italians, I believe) who would cover a short distance before crowding into a roadside cafe before returning to their luxury coaches or taxis. This made it difficult for genuine pilgrims to access well-earned refreshments. Perhaps I shouldn't be so critical, although it makes you wonder what 'walking the Camino' meant for them!

The final day was thankfully without rain in the morning, so I made an early start. There was a wonderful low cloud base that seemed to fill the valleys, which I was looking down onto as I walked. There was no interfering noise from traffic and I was able to appreciate the lovely dawn chorus that accompanied me as I made my way along the shaded woodland paths. It had obviously been raining overnight as slugs and snails were crossing the paths. I sometimes felt moved to rescue a number that would probably not have made it on their own!

When the rain ceased, the birds once again started singing, and the air was filled with the aromas of recently cut grass, eucalyptus trees, and an abundance of wild flowers.

After

Arriving in Santiago was much more than just the end of the journey. The Camino both delights and challenges, and there were high and low points, just as there are in our daily lives. For me, the high point was the realisation that I had successfully completed the walk and would return home with a real sense of achievement. I have so many joyful memories and experiences of those few days spent walking alongside fellow pilgrims all the way from Ferrol to Santiago. It is those moments I will always cherish.

I finished the walk feeling I had proved to myself that my age had not held me back. Having been able to spend time reflecting on my future, I returned home looking forward to seeing my wife Suzanne again, and with a clearer picture of how I envisage my future involvement in the church. I would like to express my gratitude to all who have very kindly donated to this fund raising event, and by way of clarification I would like to reassure everyone that all the funds raised will only be spent on this church reordering programme.

Tony Lane

Tony's aim with the walk is to raise £35,000 to help finance improvements to the parish church. All the money donated will be used to modernise the inside of the building, making it more user friendly for wider community activities – such as church and social events, music festivals and concerts, art exhibitions, theatre and family occasions.

To make a contribution, go to: <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/anthony-lane>

For more information email: Lane.tony42@gmail.com

The problem of empty homes

According to the last census, there are almost as many homes classed as “vacant” in Mid Devon as there are households on Mid Devon District Council’s housing waiting list. There can be valid reasons that a home might be empty, such as if the owner has recently died and the family are waiting for probate before selling it. But there are many instances where homes just sit empty instead of helping to meet the desperate need for housing. This results in a huge pressure to build more brand new homes, at a much greater financial and environmental cost than simply bringing existing dwellings back into use.

The Parish Council has been in contact with Mid Devon District Council as well as other town and parish councils in the area to try to work together to identify empty properties and to encourage and support owners to turn these back into homes for local people.

The first step is to identify homes that are empty, so the Parish Council is asking anyone who thinks a home near them might be unused to please inform Mid Devon District Council by emailing health@middevon.gov.uk and revenues@middevon.gov.uk, and copy in parishclerk@newtonstcyres-pc.gov.uk so that the Parish Council can understand how much of an issue this is. Please include the address, a description of the property and any issues such as overgrown garden, etc, and, ideally, a photo.

Thank you

Peter Stephenson,
Newton St Cyres Parish Council.

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Thoughts for July from Peter Cordingley

What did you think of the recent resurfacing work done on Station Road?

Opinions seem to be mixed, with some people complaining that it seemed poorly uncoordinated, while others thought it all a big improvement, though it maybe took too long to complete. But everybody seems to have one big gripe – that few of the affected residents knew what was going on.

One example among many is that some residents of Kingfisher Close apparently received notifications about the roadworks while others didn't. Same at Orchard Close. Some Kingfisher Close residents even moved their cars to the Parish Hall car park because they had heard they would not be able to get into or out of Station Road if the junction with the A377 was closed off. But, as far as I could tell, the junction was open nearly all the time. Other Newton residents tried to take the back road to Crediton, only to find it blocked without warning.

So, all in all, in some ways it was not so much a patch-up as a cock-up. But, before we get too negative, an explanation would help. The truth is that Devon County Council, which oversaw the work through its Highways Department, is skint, stony broke. Call it what you will, it has no cash for anything but the most routine work.

In an attempt to bring down its deficit, the council is taking a wrecking ball to programmes directed at climate change, the environment and transport services. The aim is to save £4.6 million by spending less on highways (potholes ahead!) and infrastructure development, and by eliminating unfilled posts, among other things.

Its public health, communities and prosperity budget will also fall in real terms, with cuts of £1.6 million, including £210,000 to the county community grants programme and £300,000 to libraries. Swimming pools, parks and other public spaces are at risk. As fierce as those cuts are, they will be nowhere near enough to address the £4 billion funding gap county and city councils across England will face over the next two years. A calamity lies ahead.

It's the same everywhere you look. The NHS is down on its uppers, running on the goodwill and devotion of its remarkable staff. The Post Office is a shadow of its former self. The police force is chronically short of coppers. And ... well, you know the story as well as I do. Successive governments have squeezed the life out of this country.

As for now, yes, there was a global epidemic and there is a war in the East. But we have also endured years of incompetence and chronic wastefulness at the highest level. So, if you think it's time for a change, a big opportunity is only days away.

Before I go, a word about the junction of Station Road and the A377. Some road markings need refreshing, but what a delight it is to drive in or out at more than 5mph, with no more rocking and rolling across the cavernous potholes. Thank you, Devon County Council!

Answer this, please. What's with all the yellow "Diversion" signs we're seeing here, there and everywhere on local roads? They don't tell you what the problem is or where the diversion takes you. Am I the only driver who doesn't understand?



A portrait in charcoal

Amelia Webster has a studio in Chudleigh, and runs workshops as well as doing commissions, working in oils and charcoal. Our volunteer sitter, Harriet, was just 7 years old, accompanying her grandmother, and remained perfectly still throughout the exhibition!

Amelia used willow charcoal on 250gsm mixed media paper in a neutral tone. Initial lines were done lightly, as they could be erased later. Willow charcoal is better than compressed for this reason. Shadow shapes were drawn in and blended, with neck and shoulders, to anchor the face. Then the whole was blended, so detail was lost, but then redrawn.

The portrait was built up in layers, using slightly thicker charcoal and more pressure, but less pressure on the blending sticks, so more charcoal stayed on the paper. Finer details were done with charcoal pencil, and an electric eraser was used for highlights in the hair.

Finally, the portrait was sealed with fixative spray.

Amelia would have done much more if more time were available. As it was, Harriet's serious little face emerged beautifully. She happily took the portrait home with her.

Jenny Hallam

Quicke way to learn about farming

For those wondering what goes on at farms like the Quicke family farm, they got their answer during a recent summery Sunday. As part of the nation-wide Open Farm Sunday, farmers across the country invited in visitors to learn how farming affects our everyday lives.

Thanks to John and Mary Quicke and Jonathan Dicken, herd manager of the Spring Herd, who escorted two groups around their farm, many of us now have a better understanding of how the Quicke farm works. From cheese-making to the fields where the dairy cows graze and give birth to their young, to admiring the spectacular panoramas along the way, it was a rare opportunity to discover at first-hand what it's like to be a farmer and the challenges that go with running a dairy farm. Not easy it seems, as farming practices have changed with the times, with more science, technology and research used on a daily basis.

It was an opportunity to ask questions, such as how many calories it takes to feed one cow? Answer: 18,000,000 (yup, that's 18 million calories, so a heck of a lot of grass). Another interesting fact: 40% of the Quicke farm is woodland to help offset its dairy carbon footprint.

And of course, the question that always gets asked of some farmers and one that Mary Quicke asked before anyone else had a chance to voice it: Why are calves separated from their moms shortly after birth? Answer: The calves get the important first colostrum from their moms to boost their immunity but are separated within 24 hours to reduce separation anxiety and improve ease of milking.

John Quicke explained that the recent felling of some majestic Redwoods in the arboretum by the A377 was due to concerns that they might pose a safety hazard if they toppled during a storm.

As a reward at the end of the tour, tasty bits of cheese were offered from the farm shop.

All in all, a very informative tour and one that many agreed improved their understanding of the challenges of life on the farm.

Ann Quon Cordingley



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Ready for the big day?

The candidates are falling in place for the 4th July general election. There will be six candidates for Central Devon, covering all the principal parties. Don't forget to take a photo ID to the polling station at the Parish Hall. Here's the line-up:



Jeffrey Leeks, Reform

Jeffrey Leeks has traditionally voted Conservative, but says he crossed to Reform because he grew tired of failed Tory promises. He feels particularly strongly about the need to protect the country's borders and laments what he sees as the damage the woke culture is doing to the country. He has lived in Devon for nine years.

Ollie Pearson, Labour

With a background as a local councillor in Exeter, Ollie Pearson says he is standing as MP "in order to stop the chaos the Conservatives have brought to our country over the past 14 years. I want to make a real difference for Central Devon – for our villages, towns and farming communities."



Arthur Price, Independent

Arthur Price describes himself as an ordinary member of the public from Devon, born in a council house in Lustleigh. He says: "I have no campaign budget, no donors, no posters and no leaflets." His priority, he says, is "the welfare of those who lay awake at night worrying about paying for heating or food." He adds: "I've put myself up for election to give you the chance to vote with your conscience."

Mel Stride, Conservative

Mel Stride is the government Secretary of State for Work and Pensions. He has been MP for Central Devon since 2010 and is considered a close ally of Prime Minister Rishi Sunak. His share of the popular vote has grown in successive elections since he was first elected. His majority in 2019 was 17,721. He was an opponent of Brexit.





Gill Westcott, Greens

Gill Westcott has lived in rural Devon for 15 years. She has taught in schools and adult education, grown and sold vegetables, been a parish councillor and helped start a Community Land Trust to provide low-cost housing for local people. She says she wants to see more affordable and social housing, timely road repairs, better public transport and more support for local businesses and independent retailers.

Mark Wooding, Liberal Democrats

Mark Wooding has called for a rural revival in Devon – and more support for the farming community. “I will be trying to do more to support our villages and towns.” He says his other priorities include ending sewage dumping in the waterways, getting potholes fixed, ensuring hospital waiting lists fall and better access to dental treatment.



Peter Cordingley

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Village volunteer awards



Photo by Ann Quon Cordingley

Nick is pictured receiving his award from Graeme Barnell.

The other two sets of nominations were for the married couple Martin and Elaine Taylor and Arboretum volunteers David Vallance, Ron Nethercott, Margaret Ware, Courtney Ware – all highly commended by the Parish Council adjudicators.

Martin was cited for his design, web page and IT skills in highlighting village activities, and Elaine for her work with the Adonai Kitchen and general parish events.

David, Ron, Margaret and Courtney were praised for their care of the Arboretum, developing it into a haven for wildlife, preserving its historical planting and creating a genuine public space.

Peter Cordingley

Nick Gillon has won the 2024 Community Volunteer of the Year Award. In making the award, Parish Council chairman Graeme Barnell cited Nick's multitude of contributions to village life, including his role as Road Warden, tackling flood water in all its various forms and involvement in the Newton Environment Group.

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Newton St Cyres Gardening Club

First, a big thank-you to all who came along to our coffee morning on 8th June. It was lovely to see so many there. A large selection of home-grown plants was on sale, together with books, bric-a-brac, produce, tombola and a huge raffle.



Acanthus mollis

next year and raised £319.81, so thank you again to everyone who attended and donated items and their time.

This month, I thought I would look back through some of my photographs of plants that are at their best in July.

These include the stunning architectural

Acanthus mollis, the beautiful brightly coloured Dahlia 'Knockout' and a cottage garden favourite, *Achillea Walther Funke*.

Acanthus mollis, is also known as Bear's Breeches. It is suited to growing at the back of herbaceous borders. It sports enormous, glossy, deeply lobed leaves and tall flower spikes that are clothed in white flowers, each with a hood-like purple bract. It grows best in well-drained, fertile soil, in full sun or partial or dappled shade. Although it doesn't spread, it will grow into a large clump which can be divided in spring or autumn. If, however, you

decide you want to move it completely, this may be difficult as the roots are really deep. Those remaining then quickly grow into new plants.



Achillea Walther Funke.



Dahlia 'Knockout'

Achillea Walther Funke – Yarrow. This is a compact plant with divided, grey-green feathery foliage, and short stems that have flat sprays of orange-red flowers that fade to a creamy yellow. They are long-flowering and drought tolerant, once established. They are happy in full sun or partial shade and work equally well in ‘hot borders’ or as a contrast with blues and purples. They make great cut flowers and deadheading throughout the summer will also encourage flowering. They are known for attracting bees, insects, birds and other pollinators, as they have nectar/pollen-rich flowers and seeds for birds. When required, they can be lifted and divided every three years in the autumn or spring.

Dahlia Knockout – also listed by nurseries as Dahlia ‘Mystic Illusion’. This really does make an impact with bright yellow single flowers, with red and orange centres and dark black foliage. It will continue flowering well into autumn and is ideal for use as a cut flower. It prefers a moist well-drained soil, in a sunny position and attracts pollinating insects into your garden.

Continuing the Rose A-Z, compiled by Peter Beales Roses, this month we look at

D – Dead-heading: snip faded blooms or spent clusters of flowers away regularly using secateurs (weekly during summer). Plants will channel their energy into producing more flowers, keeping displays at the peak of perfection over a longer season.

E – Establishment: Roses will settle into their new homes when given a helping hand to establish. While autumn is the prime season for planting, containerised roses can be planted throughout the year, as long as the soil isn’t frozen or waterlogged – and it’s best to avoid planting during periods of scorching weather or drought. If planting roses into the ground, fork in lots of well-rotted manure or garden compost. Roses appreciate soil with a pH of around 6.5 (slightly acidic) or neutral soil. Although roses have deep root systems, they’ll need to be kept watered while establishing if conditions are dry.

F – Floribunda: Put simply, floribunda means ‘many flowers’ These are fabulous roses that bear clusters of blooms on each stem. Their brightly coloured blooms make these flower powerhouses a popular choice as bedding roses and many will bear an abundance of blooms from June until October. Browse a selection of fabulous floribundas at classicroses.co.uk/roses/floribundas-cluster-roses.html.

Did you watch the coverage of the Chelsea Flower Show? I hope that you found lots of interesting ideas that could be adapted to your own garden space. Water was a feature of many gardens and it didn’t consist simply of ponds. In the Flood Resilient Garden, galvanised water tanks of varying sizes and heights were used to capture rainwater using rain chains. The water then flowed, via spouts and falls, from one tank to another. Also, there was a calmness to a lot of this year’s gardens, with the aim of linking nature to our wellbeing.

The Plant of the Year 2024 winner was Prunus ‘Starlight’ a new winter and spring flowering ornamental cherry. This was simply beautiful, with pure white star-shaped flowers which bloom in late March and can continue well into April. The flowers are similar in style to a Magnolia stellata. They have a glossy foliage and are said to have good resistance to frost damage. They are available to buy from RHS (£149.99 + delivery) and Frank P Matthews (£77.00 + delivery).

The People’s Choice Show Garden was awarded to the Octavia Hill Garden by Blue Diamond with the National Trust. This was also the Children’s Choice winner. The garden, which was designed by Ann-Marie Powell will be relocated to Blue Diamond-owned, RHS Partner Garden, Bridgemere Show Gardens, Nantwich, Cheshire.

Jobs for July

I am writing this in the middle of June, when the temperatures are below the average for this time of year, but July should provide some of the hottest and driest days. This means that we all need to undertake jobs that will keep our gardens looking good and to use water wisely.

- * Deadhead bedding plants and repeat-flowering perennials, to ensure continuous flowering.
- * Water tubs and new plants if dry. Watering is one of the most important jobs when growing plants in containers. Roots need a balance of air and water to grow well which is easy to provide if you have a good quality compost or soil.
- * Water and feed agapanthus, using a high potash/ tomato feed. This will strengthen the bulbs for future flowering.
- * Divide irises. Irises with thick surface rhizomes can be lifted and divided after flowering if they have formed clumps too large for the space in which they are growing. Cut out the old flower stems and trim the foliage to around 5cm. Using a sharp, clean knife, cut the rhizomes into healthy pieces with buds or a reduced leaf fan and roots. Allow the cut surfaces to dry for a few hours before potting them up or planting into a new area of soil. As the roots grow from below the rhizomes, they should always be planted with the rhizomes on the surface of the soil.
- * Pick courgettes, before they become marrows
- * Clear algae, blanket weed and debris from ponds, remembering to leave anything you remove at the edge of the water for at least 24 hours for any aquatic life to return to the water. Also, as water will be lost due to evaporation in the summer months, keep ponds topped up- preferably with rainwater.
- * Start planning your purchases of next year’s spring-flowering bulbs!

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What's On

Until 14th July – RHS Rosemoor Festival of Roses. Boasting one of the UK's largest collections of roses, Rosemoor is home to more than 200 different varieties and over 2,000 specimens, ranging from traditional cottage garden climbers to modern varieties, all planted in different settings and combinations in the heart of the garden.

Saturday 6th & Sunday 7th July. Backwood Farm Bickleigh, Tiverton, Devon, EX16 8RA 2pm–5pm Refreshments Home-made teas. Admission Adult: £5 Child: Free The owners of Backwood Farm have set out to make a garden that provides as much bio-diversity as possible within a 2-acre plot. Over a 7-year period, local stone has been quarried from the farm to build many features within the garden, including a Moon gate, a Stoat house and a Bat wall. Oak harvested from the 150-acre woodland has been used to build structures and reclaimed building materials have also been used to produce a natural feel to individual areas. Mixed native trees are dotted around the wildflower meadow that is alive with insects and wildlife. Year on year, many new features are being added to maximise the value of the garden to native wildlife. Dogs on leads please. Wander through the flower meadow visiting individually designed rooms with many structures, water features and pools. Seating areas afford stunning views towards Exmoor and Dartmoor. Both native and herbaceous plants have been chosen to benefit insect and bird life. Created with the natural environment at its heart, this evolving 2-acre nature garden provides uniquely designed homes for wildlife. Toilets available. Not suitable for pushed wheelchairs.

From Friday 12th July. The Big Butterfly Count is a UK-wide survey aimed at helping us assess the health of our environment simply by counting the number and type of butterflies (and some day-flying moths) seen during a 15 minute period during bright and preferably sunny weather. This year the Big Butterfly Count begins on Friday 12th July 2024 and will run until Sunday 4th August. Full details at <https://bigbutterflycount.butterfly-conservation.org/>.

Thursday 18th July. National Trust, Killerton Outdoor Theatre 7pm–9.30pm. The Gondoliers, Gilbert & Sullivan. Join Illyria theatre for an enchanting rendition of The Gondoliers by Gilbert and Sullivan that promises an evening of laughter, music, and pure entertainment. Suitable for all ages. Adults £18.50, Children £12.50, Family 2+2 £55.00 Free for children under 3. Booking details: Call 0344 249 1895 Picnics are encouraged, sorry no BBQs. Contact info Killerton 01392 881345 killerton@nationaltrust.org.uk

Tuesday 23rd July. National Trust Killerton Outdoor Theatre 7pm–9.30pm. Hamlet In 2024 it is the Lord Chamberlain's Men's 20th birthday! To celebrate they will present Hamlet. With this masterpiece concentrated down to a two-hour running time and carried off in true The Lord Chamberlain's Men style, this will be one you will not want to miss. Suitable for age 12+. Adult £18.50, Children £12.50. Call 0208 852 5761 Picnics are encouraged, sorry no BBQs. Contact info Killerton 01392 881345 killerton@nationaltrust.org.uk

Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th July. RHS Rosemoor. Vintage Weekend

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Sunday 28th July. Sherwood House Cream Tea – the Netherexe Parishes Ring of Seven Festival. Please see separate advert from the Church for more details.

Wednesday 31st July. Fursdon House as part of Hospiscare Open Gardens,

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Happy Gardening!

Nicola Baker

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Frederick Maddock (Chair)

July on the Farm

My mother, Prue Quicke, built our cheese dairy in 1973. My father had always been haunted by the Exeter milk buyer telling his father in 1930, 'Don't want your milk, today, Mr Quicke.' Like many dairy farmers, we had given up making cheese on the farm after the First World War. We've got pictures of cheesemaking in the 1920s, as happened in every farmhouse. But farmers and their wives gave up cheesemaking. It was one job less to do.



Mary in the Cheese Cathedral

The licence came through some six years later in 1972. My father was busy at the time with agricultural politics off the farm that lead eventually to governments around Europe funding environmental work on farms. My mother had six children, aged 18 down to 8. I remember the family even using Chinese I Ching divination to work out the future. It said it would be hard work but successful. So my mother went ahead and set up the cheese dairy. She had had an art school education with great artists such as Henry Moore, and they'd told her that this was the training she needed to do anything.

We used the advice of a remarkable lady in dairy, Miss Maddever, known as 'Katy'. She designed the dairy, found us a cheesemaker, Harold Chase, and trained us all.

Farmers were reliant on being able to sell their highly perishable milk to someone else to process it. Because of this uncertainty, many stopped producing milk. The Milk Marketing Board was set up in the 1930s as the spectre of war came closer. They controlled milk production, giving dairy farmers the stability they needed to keep producing milk to feed the nation.

In the 1960's, we had been supplying our milk through the Milk Marketing Board to a farmhouse cheesemaker, Mr Couche, in Venny Tedburn. We knew our milk could make good cheese. Mr Couche was thinking of giving up cheesemaking, and his 'datum', licence to make cheese, would be available. I remember long discussions over the dinner table and into the night as my parents debated

Other cheesemakers said, 'Why aren't you setting up the dairy to make nice modern square blocks in plastic bags. That's the way forward'. My parents decided to make traditional cheese, something they loved.

Initially all the cheese had to be transferred to the Milk Marketing Board at 3 months old for them to mature to whatever age they saw fit, selling it as anonymous 'trad cheddar', and sending us the money for it when they did. In the early 80's, the market was difficult, and we occasionally got no money for weeks. My mother asked where the money was and was told she would only get a dump price. At that point, against the regulations, she decided to sell cheese herself, reasoning that the law should not bust us. Some of the old cheddar makers blamed us for the end of the Milk Marketing Scheme, which, anyhow, ended shortly afterwards. It had become an archaic, restrictive system that stopped products developing with its almost Soviet control of everything to do with milk.

My husband Tom and I came back to the farm in the early 80s, and Tom sold the cheese, while I took on the farming and cheesemaking. He developed our cheese as the first on the 'Quicke's'. brand. As a family, we've decided that what we do is produce cheese from the milk from this farm, to express the amazing things that can come from a particular place.

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Mary Quicke

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A truly local man

Nick Baker 1938-2024

Few have contributed as much to their local community as Nick Baker of Cowley, who died on 11th May. Nick served as a councillor on the Upton Pyne and Cowley Parish Council, and was tree warden for many years. He was a member of the Upton Pyne Gardening Club and a founder member of the Brampford Speke, Upton Pyne and Cowley Community Land Trust. Nick was also the local contact for the Neighbourhood Watch scheme. Locally, he was known for the informative talks he gave on his two main interests: gardening and local history.

Born in Guildford on 23rd September, 1938, Nick trained as a gardener. By the 1970s, he had relocated to Devon, first to Tiverton and subsequently to Exeter and on to Cowley. His expertise was recognised when he was appointed head gardener for the grounds of Winslade Park, then the headquarters of the London and Manchester Insurance Group. In the 1990s there were redundancies amongst the gardening staff, and Nick decided to set up his own business.

He was later joined by his former trainee and friend, Tim Hammond. Along with other local clients, Nick took on the garden maintenance at Cowley Place – no small task, given that the grounds run to some 9 acres.

Over a period of many years, Nick acquired a detailed knowledge of local history. He was rigorous in his approach, requiring clear evidence – and often a long argument – before he would be satisfied on any issue. What made his research particularly impressive was that it was largely conducted before the advent of digital sources. Nick's methodology was reminiscent of the Victorian antiquarians. He relied on the available documents and direct inquiry, inspecting sites across the area, and speaking with local residents.

It was rare to find a topic that Nick had not already investigated. His knowledge was broad and extensive. Subjects as disparate as turnpike roads, the lineage of the Iddesleighs, and rope making at Newbridge Hill Cottages had all received his attention.

Nick was always keen to share his gardening knowledge, whether informally or through the talks he gave for local societies. He was the Programme Secretary for the Gardening Club, and whenever there was a gap in the list of speakers he would step in to provide a suitable talk. A report in Newton Wonder of a talk he gave to the Newton St Cyres History Group shows how well his local history talks were received. It read:

“Nick has done a great deal of research and amassed a solid body of documented information both in maps and pictures. The hour's talk could easily have been extended to three or four hours, because he knows so much.”

Anyone acquainted with Nick was well aware of his sharp intelligence and occasionally mischievous sense of humour. He had no time for those who were officious or self important, and while he was never unkind, anyone underestimating him could expect their pomposity to be deflated with a well aimed acerbic comment.

Nick was also irritated by those who failed to value the history around them. Over the years, he rescued a range of artefacts, which would otherwise have been destroyed. From time to time, items would kindly be passed on to friends. I received two small stained glass panels, for example, apparently recovered when a chapel was demolished. Some may recall that on one occasion the Church of St Cyr and Julitta in Newton St Cyres hosted a display of part of Nick's eclectic collection.

The centre of Nick's life was Jilly, whom he married in 1987. Nick and Jilly were devoted to each other, and inseparable for over 36 years. They moved to the Coach House in Cowley in the 1980s, and later to the adjoining property, the Dovecote, in 2002. The designs of the gardens of both properties provide an enduring testament to Nick's skill. Nick and Jilly travelled widely, with a remarkable range of destinations, including California, Canada, Kenya, Qatar, Russia, South America and Thailand.



Nick and Jilly in Qatar

Nick was immensely proud of the achievements of his son, Anthony, and his two granddaughters, Katy and Emily. I was regularly given updates of Anthony's important work with thermal-imaging satellites and was firmly directed to watch various related video newsclips – most notably when Anthony met Prince William to explain the technology. Nick also followed the progress of Katy and Emily's careers with great interest. As a lawyer, I was closely questioned by Nick once Emily joined a major US law firm in London.

Nick had a wide circle of friends, but there was a close group – Mo, Chris and Tim – who alongside Jilly provided loving support through his illness. Although Nick found ill health and particularly his deteriorating eyesight a frustrating challenge, his spirit stayed strong. Once, when arriving to visit Nick in hospital at a difficult time, I was surprised – as were the nursing staff – when a familiar cry of 'Oi, Tyldesley' rang out from one of the bays.

Nick was a good man and a good friend; he will be greatly missed.

Peter J Tyldesley
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At Citizens Advice we ensure that we do this on an ongoing basis not just once a year! However, having an officially designated week of recognition gives us time to pause and reflect on their support and join with other organisations up and down the country in recognising that. This year seems almost more important as we celebrate 40 years of recognising volunteers week alongside the 85th anniversary of Citizens Advice – the organisation that provides free, impartial, confidential and non-judgemental advice to anyone in the community in need of help.

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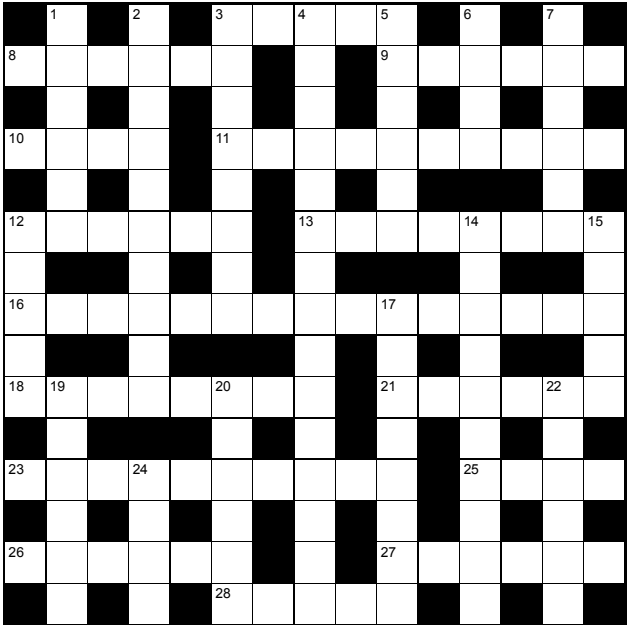
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Cryptic Crossword



ACROSS

- 3 Old East German follows river to find perch (5)
8 Fool is one from Italian city (6)
9 Everyone is accommodating English friends (6)
10 Two notes from operatic heroine (4)
11 Not moving goods yet (5-5)
12 Thus African country produces African (6)
13 Capsize open vessel (8)
16 Gaunt young Irene performs in musical (5,3,4,3)
18 Teen reformed with gaol stretch (8)
21 Police force has those people on film (3,3)
23 New peer's given ring portraying Zeus's daughter (10)
25 US general's the dregs (4)
26 Give daughter a note perhaps (6)
27 The Italian is after fast food (6)
28 Play about District Attorney in the present time (5)

DOWN

- 1 American who inhabits the White House? (6)
2 One toiling at unravelling lawsuit (10)
3 Wine gets Sir Nigel drunk (8)
4 Over the moon, having climbed Everest? (2,3,2,3,5)
5 Deal with equipment (6)
6 Idiot wants 150 books (4)
7 Retailer of wine collection, say (6)
12 Very hard worker is left inside bar (5)
14 Back home, I'll follow cake with pasta (10)
15 Group of musicians not touring Tyneside (5)
17 Working honestly or dishonestly? (2,3,3)
19 Ollie upset wife so keep out of sight (3,3)
20 Computer manufacturer needs time to produce program (6)
22 Quote me retrospectively? It'll make you sick (6)
24 Openers for Sussex caught and bowled but this chap's not out (4)

Set by Alberich

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Solution to May 2024 Cryptic Crossword

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Making the Cross Count

At the time you read this article, we will be just a few days away from the general election. I guess that some of you are totally fed up with the noise and bluster, the policies and promises, many of which may feel very unrealistic, and just want it all to be over!

And yet what happens after 4th July matters to each and every one of us. Politics matters. It impacts every aspect of our lives – whether we like it or not, whether we realise it or not. Politics will determine our lives from the moment we wake up, to the moment we go to bed. Political decisions affect our homes, our jobs, our environment, our welfare and our families. The decisions made by politicians at all levels – locally or nationally do have an effect.

The decision you and I make on the 4th of July is important.

And so, while policies and promises are scattered around like confetti, on 4th July we will, as a nation, have to make a choice. For those who will vote, a cross in a box is required. Voters will determine who picks up the keys to No 10 Downing Street; voters will determine the direction this country takes for the next five years or more.

But how do you make that choice? Are there words, policies, values and ethos that will persuade you that this person is better fitted to represent you in parliament rather than that one, that one or that one? Or conversely, are there words, policies, pledges and personalities that will just totally determine for you – “Well, definitely not him or her!”? Maybe, though, you already know how you will vote. Because at the end of the day, for you, the actual person on the ballot paper isn't necessarily that important. It's the party that matters!

Perhaps, though, the biggest question of all, for me and millions of Christians in this country, is, “Where does faith come into all of this?”

Now, while many people will say, “faith and politics shouldn't mix!”, I would argue that, in so many ways, we couldn't have a more political figure and example than Jesus. His whole mission and ministry was totally focused on challenging the political leaders of the time – whether temple authorities, learned leaders of even the Roman Empire. Shaking them out of their complacency, their hypocrisy, their focus on wanting and keeping power. Getting them to recognise that they had a responsibility to all people, not just themselves. Jesus championed those on the margins of society – women, children, those discriminated against, those outside the perceived norms of society – and encouraging others to welcome and accept them for who they are, not who we might want them to be.

Jesus was determined to encourage all that followed him to build a society based on mercy, justice and grace. I think that's a clear political manifesto!

Whatever the outcome on 4th July, I pray that as individuals and as a nation we continue to strive to do the best for one another, for our communities – loving one another as we have been loved by God.

All blessings

Tim

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Wednesday 3 July

06:00 pm	Election Prayer Service	Thorverton	TC
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Sunday 7 July

11:15 am	Service	Cadbury	Lay Led
05:00 pm	Communion	Stoke Canon	TC/LF

Sunday 14 July

09:30 am	Communion	Thorverton	TC
10:30 am	Communion	Upton Pyne	GC
03:00 pm	Praise & Pimms	Rewe	Lay Led
06:30 pm	Ad hoc Choir	Cadbury	Lay Led

Sunday 21 July

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09:30 am	Bubble Church	Thorverton	TC
10:00 am	Service	Stoke Canon	Lay Led
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Sunday 28 July

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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

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