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As reported last month the outreach post office is now up and running in the Parish Hall. Janet Thomas has now added to the range of goods available and has started selling some household requisites, confectionery and magazines. We need to support this service as for some people it represents an essential connection to the outside world.

We got off lightly

Whilst large parts of the country suffered from severe flooding from Storms Ciara and Dennis the damage in the village and surrounding villages was considerably less than many of us expected. It was in 1995 that the then Poet Laureate, Ted Hughes, watched as the weir at Higher Marsh was swept away after 100 years. I believe it was that year that Sweetham and the Beer Engine were hosts to eight stranded visitors, some at the pub and some with Rex and Louise Beckett. It was not so long ago that the surface of the club car park was deposited on the cricket pitch, and one winter not many years ago Station Road became impassable six times.

Already, residents of Newton St Cyres are describing the winter as the mildest and wettest in living memory. Looking at the records from 1996 provided by James Walters that is not so clear. We have had more rain than other years when the flooding has been worse but it has been spread over a longer period. The Creedy and its tributary, the Yeo rise fairly close by and so their levels rise very quickly when there is really heavy rain but go down equally quickly when the rain eases.

It would appear that in recent years there has been a greater tendency for the river to burst its banks and it seems likely that this is due to global warming. However we did not suffer the storm damage of 1987 nor severe flooding. Meanwhile, though, the forecast over the next few weeks is for more rain for Devon and the Southwest. So, keep your wellies on standby.

Dangers on the road

As everyone who lives in Newton St Cyres is aware exiting Church Lane onto the A377 can be described as a nightmare. On foot it is impossible to see cars speeding up the hill from Exeter until well into the carriageway. In a car it is even more difficult and dangerous. Devon County Council have been asked several times to designate the short section from the A377 to the church as one way. DCC has consistently refused so the arboretum committee have erected an informal advisory sign which is pictured on page 32.

Whilst on the subject of road safety readers are reminded of the importance of wearing some reflective clothing when out in the lanes at night. Even though there are street lights in Station Road it is still too easy to fail to see a darkly clad pedestrian.

CLC Primary Schools Swimming gala

Its good to see in this edition a report of the success of the primary school's swimming team at the gala held in Crediton on 29th January. The report on page 32 was written by the swimming team.

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT FEBRUARY

The meeting, on 6th February, was attended by nine Councillors, the Parish Clerk, the Mid Devon District Councillor (Graeme Barnell) and three members of the public.

Issues raised by members of the public

- * Concern has been expressed about the increasing level of fouling by dogs on West Town road. The Parish Council decided to write to the Newton Wonder asking for people to pick up after their dog.
- * Concern was expressed about the amount of debris on the plot adjacent to the school left by the construction company after the completion of Kingfisher Close. This land belongs to the management company of Kingfisher Close. The Parish Council decided to write to the management company asking for the debris to be removed as well as the various signs around the village directing visitors to the new development.
- * A complaint was received by the Parish Council about the parking on the double yellow lines by the Beer Engine. Cars parked on these lines prevent access for emergency vehicles to the houses beyond the Beer Engine, make it difficult for farm traffic to pass and dangerously and limit visibility for local traffic. The Parish Council suggested that the best action in this case would be for the police to be informed of the issue by the correspondent.
- * Concern was also expressed about speeding in the village. The Parish Council acknowledges that this is a problem. It is to be hoped that we will have average speed cameras installed in the not-too-distant future. These have proved very effective in limiting speeds through other villages. For more on road safety, see later in this article.

Planning applications and decisions

- * A planning application has been received for the installation of French windows and a Juliet balcony on the first floor of 10 Tytheing Close. No negative views have been expressed online and so the Parish Council decided to make no comment on this application.
- * Two planning applications have been received for Bakers Farm. These would substantially modernise the farmhouse and include the construction of a swimming pool. Mid Devon District Council will need to sanction any changes to the grade two listed building. However, as the farm is in a fairly secluded location, and the alterations would affect no one else, the Parish Council decided not to comment on these applications.
- * An application was made for a certificate of lawfulness for the existing use of buildings as mixed use of agricultural and commercial storage at Wainscot Barton. Mid Devon has refused this application. At the time of the meeting no appeal had been lodged. However heavy vehicles accessing the site continue to pass through Langford. The district councillor is following this up.

The Post Office, Community Shop and the Community Land Trust

- * A part-time Post Office is now functioning in the village hall on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The Parish Council urges all Parishioners to make as much use of this facility as they can.

- * Work continues in the development of a Community Shop, however there is much planning work to be done before significant progress can be seen.
- * Action on the Community Land Trust project is halted for the moment until the development plans for the old school site become known.

Reports from councillors' areas of responsibility

- * The Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator reported that there had been a significant increase in the number of domestic break-ins in the village. In at least one case, the householder was in at the time of the break-in. We are all reminded to be careful to lock doors and shut windows.
- * The recently-purchased defibrillator has been installed in the Telephone Box near Belluno.
- * Some of the allotments are in a poor state. The Parish Council hopes to initiate a tidy-up in the new financial year.
- * We are still in need of more litter-picking volunteers. The Parish Clerk is to investigate acquiring additional equipment and jackets for new volunteers.
- * The Arboretum Committee have requested a new litter bin near the church. Unfortunately this will be expensive to install and will incur an annual charge. We might be able to re-site a bin nearer the church. It was decided to ask the Arboretum Committee to investigate this.

Highway Issues

- * The district councillor informed the Parish Council that an action group has been set up to campaign for a 20mph speed limit on West Town Road. There are precedents for this in other local villages, where there are narrow roads with no pavements.
- * Meetings continue to be held with Devon Highways to push for the pedestrian controlled crossing in the centre of the village and for a paved footpath from the lay-by to the bus stop at Half Moon.
- * There has been some clearing of vegetation around the bus stops at Half Moon and Langford Bridge. However the footpath up School Hill is badly in need of clearing. This will be a major project and we may have to look for special funding.
- * The drains on the back roads have been recently cleared but the general condition of the roads is very poor. It was decided that as this is a multi-parish issue, the Parish Council would try to work for action to be taken through the Raddon Hills group of parishes.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Thursday 5th March 2020 at 7pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend. There will also be a Parish Surgery at the Coffee Morning to be held on Saturday 7th March in the Parish Hall.

Liz Ouldrige
Press Officer

RECREATION GROUND CLUB

A little sunshine this afternoon, thank goodness. After the hail and rain the other day, this reminds me that we are getting closer to having longer days and warmer weather.

March is a month of steady dates for the whole month with just one quieter week.

We have the dates for the whole month for the youth football, but not such good news for the senior leagues. Only one team has a full month of dates. Let's hope the dates for the three other teams will soon be released, so we can prepare for their games.

The skittles and darts teams all have dates for the month. Two of the cricket teams have let me have their dates for the summer, so soon the other teams will send in their dates to help fill the diary

Meanwhile, we start March with our quarterly meeting on Sunday 8th March at 7.30pm, and we will have a social party, so it's not all sport until next month..

This year will be a Revel year, so July will be busy with that and the Football Youth Tournament.

Wendy Lewis

Newton St Cyres 200 Club

The February draw took place at the coffee morning in the Parish Hall on 1 February 2020 and the winners were:

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Newton St Cyres Tennis Club

We are all really pleased with the new toilet facilities recently installed at the clubhouse. Tennis has been somewhat curtailed this month due to storms Ciara and Dennis, but we will all appreciate not having to walk over to the other side of the Rec to use the facilities, especially in the dark and for junior coaching and team matches. Thank you to all involved in the project.



Our annual membership fees are up for renewal at the end of this month so now is a good time to be considering joining the club. All details are on our website

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Newton St Cyres FC

It's not been a month that the first team will look back on fondly - not least because the weather is continuing to have a negative affect but because results have been pretty atrocious as well. It started when we entertained Uni at home but went down one nil to a late goal after we failed to convert a number of our own chances. That was one of the better

results as we travelled to Otterton in the next fixture but were dispatched 3-1 and didn't look like getting much out of the game from the kick off as we laboured to defeat.

We then took two hammerings on the trot, losing 5-1 away to high flying East Budleigh and then again to Beer Albion going down 7-1 in the end. That's 16 goals conceded in four matches and something we will need to improve upon to avoid getting sucked into a relegation scare.

The reserves have had a better run having managed to play three games in total during the period. It started with the return fixture against Bradninch having drawn previously. We started well getting in front and then saw Bradninch reduced to 10 men after having their keeper sent off. We were three up by half time but Bradninch came back and got two shortly after the break. This rocked the team but they managed to keep their heads and notch again to dash Bradninch hopes of a comeback, eventually winning 9-3.

Next we travelled to Dawlish and a very hard fought performance saw us come away with a 3-2 win after initially falling behind. We were a few short on the day so it was all the more sweet and saw us close the margin on the teams in the top half of the division. The final fixture was an East Devon Cup's game versus Okehampton. This would always be a hard fixture as Oke were leading the division above. It proved to be the case on a windy day and a wet pitch. We battled well for the first 25 minutes but conceded and then went on to slump to 5 down at the break. With the wind behind us we had a better second half and lost out 2-1 to make it 7-1 overall. A disappointing day but we can now focus on the league and climbing the table!

Mark Smaldon



Newbrooke Ward Report February 2020 from Cllr Graeme Barnell

1. A377 Road Safety. I hope to meet again shortly with Devon County Council Highways to continue the progress we were making before Christmas in getting a controlled road crossing in the centre of Newton St Cyres. We were also raising the need to install a pavement from the lay-by in Half Moon to the bus stop. We've learned that progress in these matters requires persistence and patience.

2. 20 is Plenty. I hope to be meeting soon with Devon County Council to agree how best to pursue a 20mph limit along West Town Lane. At the same time, I will be raising a request by Shobrooke Parish Council for a similar limit through the village. I'll keep you informed of progress and next steps. In the meantime the West Town Road 20 is Plenty Group are working on putting up temporary informal signs along West Town Road.

2. 106 agreements in Crediton. I'm still seeking information on the 106 agreements made in respect of the larger housing developments in Crediton. These are agreements made with developers to pay for infrastructure required to support the new housing. I am having to be persistent. I will keep you informed. Thanks to both Newton St Cyres and Shobrooke parish councils for their support in this. We need to get the point across that road traffic from these developments is now coming through our villages. This increases the need for safer road crossings and pavements.

3. Boundary Commission Review of District Council Ward Boundaries. The Government's Boundary Commission are conducting a review of District Council Ward Boundaries, and are now consulting on their proposals. I wasn't involved in these recommendations. The exercise is based on achieving a balance of 1,600-plus voters per councillor by the time of the District Council elections in 2023. At the moment there is an imbalance. Our ward has only about 1,250 electors and this is unlikely to increase much. It is therefore likely that our villages will end up having to pair up with neighbouring communities and share two councillors.

However the new wards being proposed by the Boundary Commission are very big and split Shobrooke from Newton St Cyres. The proposed ward that includes Newton St Cyres will stretch from Cheriton Bishop in the West to Newton St Cyres in the East. The proposed new Ward that includes Shobrooke will stretch from Morchard Bishop to Shobrooke. I believe it is wrong to split villages that already share much in common and group communities into wards that are remote from each other and between which there is little in common. Responses to this consultation are to be submitted by mid-April. I will soon be submitting my own response to the Boundary Commission. I'll let you have details of my response. I hope you'll be able to support my concerns when responding to this consultation.

Here's the link to the website if you want to give your views: <https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk/node/18162> .

NEWTON RAMBLERS

There are two walks this month: one on the 1st and one on the 22nd.

Sunday 1st March

This is the February walk which was postponed because of the ravages of Storm Dennis. which takes us along the River Exe and through the Ludwell Valley Park. There may be some muddy patches and there is one short but rather stiff climb up to Pynes Hill.

We will meet in the arcades beneath the County Hall clock tower off Topsham Road at 10.30.

Parking is free in County Hall grounds on Sundays but, for those wishing to use public transport, bus no. 5 Leaves Newton St Cyres at 9.34, arriving in Paris Street at 10.04. Buses to County Hall leave from stop 2 in the High Street. Routes I, K, S and T go to County Hall. The most likely candidate is the I bus at 10.15.

The walk ends by IKEA with an option to get lost in their labyrinth (take a ball of string) or indulge in Swedish meatballs in the restaurant. Bus J returns to County Hall and the High Street at 11.45, 12.45, 1.45 etc.

Sunday 22nd March

This walk will start from the Royal Oak at Dunsford and is five miles long. It is a most enjoyable and scenic walk which will take us down from Dunsford across the Teign on the stepping stone bridge and past through the lovely Bridford Woods. We then re-cross the Teign and follow the delightful bridleway up Sowton Barton and back through woods to Dunsford.

We will meet at the Newton St Cyres car park at 9.30 am to share cars.

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

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



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Ticket discounts available for Exeter Rainbow Run early-birds

Families are being invited to get their tickets for 'Exeter's brightest' 5k charity fun run, taking place at Westpoint this summer.

Registration for Rainbow Run on Saturday, June 20 is now open, with a 25 per cent discount available for those who sign up before April 1.

More than 1,000 people walked, jogged or ran through a series of coloured paint stations at last year's event, raising £55,000 for Children's Hospice South West.

This year, the charity hopes even more people will take part in the colourful fun in support of hundreds of children with life-limiting conditions and their families.

Event fundraiser Jayne Jarrett said: "This is Exeter's brightest sponsored 5K! It's suitable for all abilities and a brilliant way to support your local children's hospice.

"Anyone aged five and above can take part - so gather friends and family or get colleagues together to enter a team and help make it a day to remember."

The event village will be open from 11am, with face painters, a bouncy castle, fun tents with games and tombolas, and music from Radio Exe. There will also be food and drink available, as well as plenty of colourful rainbow merchandise.

"Entry covers your participation and by asking just a handful of people to sponsor you, or organising a rainbow dress down day at your school or work, you could raise £50 too," added Jayne.

Children's Hospice South West needs £11million a year to run its three hospices in North Devon, North Somerset and Cornwall, and around 85 per cent of that comes through fundraising.

The hospices offer local families respite breaks and the chance to make the most of their precious time together.

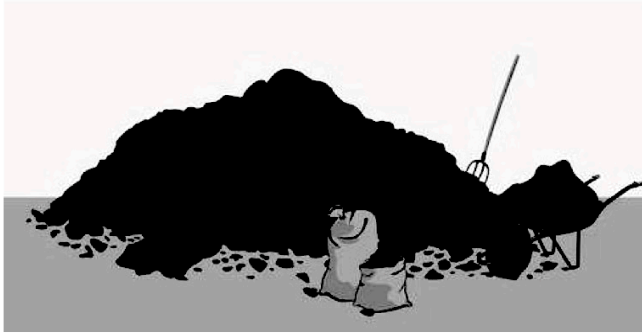
This year's event, which has been granted Plastic Free Coastlines status by Surfers Against Sewage, is sponsored by health insurance and income protection specialist The Exeter.

Early-bird tickets are £15 for adults and £9 for children and are available until April 1. Tickets purchased after this date will be £20/£12, and £30/£15 on the day of the event. The suggested sponsorship target is £30 for adults and £20 for children.

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A HISTORY OF THE PARISH COUNCIL OF NEWTON ST CYRES

125 years ago in March, Newton St Cyres Parish Council held its first meeting. Jean Wilkins has trawled through the archives to give this first-ever account of the council's work from its modest beginnings through to 1974.

Part 2: (of 3) Sickness in the village, flooding and a row over street lighting.

How often the Parish Council met is unknown, but in early 1909 it was suggested it would, from then on, be quarterly. Martin Pasmore died in 1898 and Tom Batting continued as chairman. In 1908 Mr Coombe was presiding and by 1909 William Shapley Wyatt had taken over. The papers tell us that meetings sometimes went ahead with only four or five councillors present. All meetings were in the schoolroom. Councillors served a term of four years.

During 1900, the Parish Council repeatedly complained about the unsatisfactory state of the roads, apparently a problem common to all the districts of the Rural District Council. It was considered to be due to indolence on the part of the contractors. The surveyor was to take extreme steps.

In 1901, the council seem to have lost hope of ever obtaining a culvert at Sweetham and planned to carry off the water using two 10-inch iron pipes, hoping the Rural District Council would pay one half of the modest bill.

The footpath between the Exeter road and the Langford road was problematic in 1904, and it was decided to lay railway sleepers in the low-lying areas.

Scarlet fever had been prevalent in the village for several years and isolation was considered the only safe preventative. The Rural District Council were responsible for public health and their advice was sought. Dr Body, their representative, was somewhat dismissive of the problem, but did suggest trying to make an arrangement with the Exeter sanatorium.

Street lamps had been erected to light the centre of the village as a commemoration of Queen Victoria's jubilee. Apparently they were erected and lit under the control of the Parish Council, with the cost met by subscriptions. However the burden fell on a few and they soon tired of the unfairness. A shaming article appeared in the *Exeter and Plymouth Gazette* in 1908, with comments on the backwardness of the villagers in not lighting their village during the winter months.

In 1909, the parish roads were again considered to need upkeep, especially near Winscott, and some hedges had become overgrown between Eastholme and Clayhill Lane. A plank bridge was required for the footpath from West Town to Lily Farm. The supply of a plank bridge for Crooklake was deferred, as a culvert was thought more appropriate. The road outside the Methodist chapel in Sweetham was in a bad state. The clerk was instructed to inform the Rural District Council.

In 1910, flooding in Station Road was a problem and the Rural District Council's advice was sought on how to stop it. They decided to send a copy of the letter to the County Council. Two months later it was reported that the county surveyor had made his inspection and would be reporting to the

County Council.

It was decided to repair the footbridge leading across the marshes to Langford Cottage. The owners of the footpath through inner Norton were asked to effect repairs.

During 1912, the Parish Council asked the Crediton Rural District Council to tar-spray the main road, but declined to make a collection towards the cost. However they were successful in having the village's registration district moved from Cheriton Bishop to Crediton. In 1915 (WW1), when Canon Boles was in the chair, a recruiting committee was appointed, and in 1917 the chief business of the June meeting was a discussion on potato spraying. It was resolved to buy a spraying machine, together with the spray. By April 1919, the increase in motor traffic and the resultant dust was causing great discomfort to the cottagers along the main road. Once again, a request was made to the Rural District Council to have the tar spraying done. Meanwhile, the Post Office was asked to reinstate the midday delivery.

Newspaper accounts of Parish Council meetings give very little indication of the many initiatives for the furtherance of the war effort in the village. We know that at least one councillor was called

up. This information was from the *Cadbury Ruridecanal* magazine (a collection of monthly parish sheets from the vicars of the deanery). These volumes are now held in Crediton Church.



The accounts of Crediton Rural District Council, of which Tom Batting became chairman in 1915, give a little

more information. There are reports from the Medical Officer of Health, saying TB was still claiming many lives; the drainage and water supply of Newton were to be investigated after a typhoid case; the bishop was allowing some of the clergy to work on farms, including Woodley; German prisoners-of-war were to be used in forestry; and latterly food committees were to be amalgamated.

In September 1920, the Council signed an agreement with the Postmaster General for telegraphic and telephonic services in the village. The clerk was to correspond with the police authorities over the provision of a police constable in the village as had been the practice previously. Minor crime and pilfering had become a problem. It seems that the matter still had not been resolved by February 1922. The Rural District Council wanted one of the new cottages, near the railway station, to be let to the County Council for the constable, but the Parish Council wanted him sited nearer the busy main road.

In 1929, the Parish Council asked the Rural District Council for authority to collect house refuse. In return, they were asked to provide a suitable site as a dump. By May 1933 the fencing of the dump was complete.

In May 1932, it was noted that there had been a presentation to WH Turnbull on his retirement from railroad services in Canada. He was one of the original nine Newton parish councillors elected in 1895 and had been an effective member. In the same month, in 1932, the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council was held in the vestry. William S Wyatt was elected chairman, with the Rev. Blakeman Ball his vice chairman.

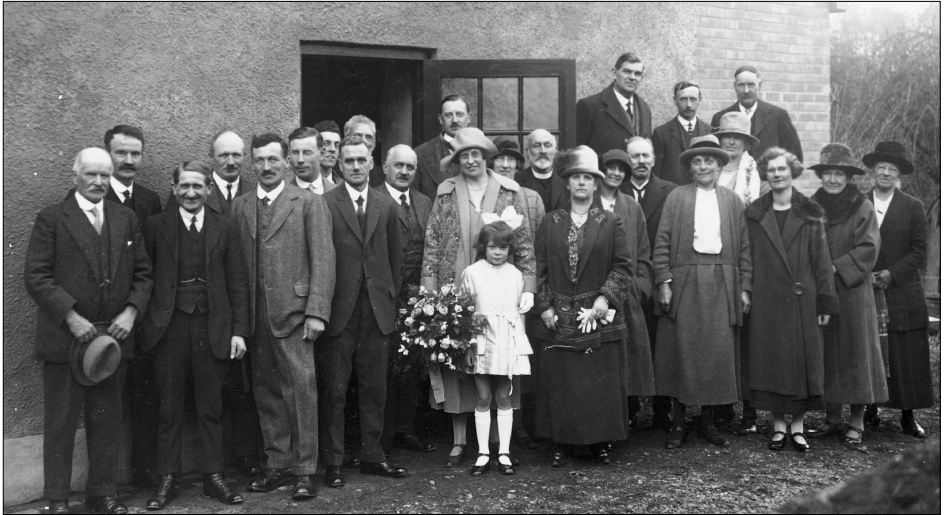


Village outing in 1924. Congestion already.

In May 1934, an election for councillors was held in the Parish Hall. Eleven candidates stood and nine were elected. They were G Chudley, RTC Labdon, Capt. NA Quicke, F Parker, F Blackford, WH Sampson, Rev. Blakeman Ball, Mrs Mary Blatchford, F Halse. Captain Quicke was elected chairman and the Rev. Blakeman Ball the vice chairman. A special motion was carried, asking for better visibility approaching Creedy Bridge, and for "narrow bridge" signs to be erected. Arrangements were suggested for damming the brook in dry weather to provide water in case of fire.

In February 1937, a special meeting was convened in the Parish Hall to discuss how the villagers would celebrate the coming coronation of King George VI. An ambitious programme was planned, including a free tea for all, sports, skittling for a live pig, fireworks, a dance, souvenirs for all the children, and the whole to be prefaced by an outdoor religious service. Mrs Quicke offered to give either mugs or medals to the children, and a house-to-house collection was to be made to finance the other activities.

In February 1939, it was reported that the bus shelter had been erected by the Devon General Company on the base provided by the local council.



Opening of the Parish Hall in 1926

In February 1940, the Parish Council were asked to report any infringements of the food control enactments.

Newspaper reports of early January 1944 pay great tribute, after his death in December, to Captain Noel Quicke, who served on both the Parish Council and the Crediton Rural District Council. After some discussion in the Parish Council, Mrs Quicke was co-opted to serve on the Rural District Council.

Little information about the Parish Council has survived from this time. The *Ruridecanal* magazine ceased publication in 1941 due to paper shortage. However, press accounts of the Crediton Rural District Council offer a little more insight. Reports mention the arrival of evacuees in early September 1939. Unfortunately, they had been given misleading information, which caused considerable confusion. Most of the unaccompanied children were accommodated in Newton St Cyres and Shobrooke.

In June 1940 Crediton RDC decided to designate a house as a mortuary in case of air raid casualties and asked all Parish Councils to appoint a mortuary attendant. In 1941 there was an appeal from the Mines Department to economise on fuel. Paraffin, particularly, seems to have been in short supply, which was very difficult for those without electric lights.

The minutes for the Parish Council meetings from August 1945 survive in the Devon Heritage Centre. They are not yet fully catalogued so a little persistence may be needed to view them.

To be continued:

NEXT: Exeter comes prowling, the Crown and Sceptre burns down, the beginnings of the recreation ground.

Do You Remember?....March

March 1970

Two bands of ringers came to Newton to ring the church bells, the first was a group from Southampton university and the second a mixed band from the Ashburton area.

The staff and pupils at Queen Elizabeth school have devised, written and composed an opera 'Carnival', this has been widely reported in the press and on radio and TV. Eight pupils from Newton and Cowley are mentioned in the programme, they are Angela Coward, David Woods, Sheila Mears, Marion Mears, Rebecca Scott, John Quicke, Christopher Lee and Michael Mars.

March 1980

The Church had been given the go-ahead for new lighting and a new clock dial.

The Parish Council gave permission to the Recreation Ground Committee to organise a Summer Fayre, which would be held on the Village Green.

The WI celebrated their birthday with a cake baked by Mrs Cheriton, their Chairman.

The village would soon be losing Mr & Mrs Dellomuro, who currently ran the Post Office and shop. Mr & Mrs Calderhead would be taking over from them, having moved to Newton St Cyres from Liverpool.

March 1990

The Teeny Bopper disco, organised by the school association, raised £55 for play equipment at the recreation ground.

The Parish Council reported that recent strong winds brought down many trees in the area but help from local farmers with suitable equipment were able to assist District Council staff in clearing the roads. No casualties were reported but there were some near misses as trees came down and roof slates were loosened.

March 2000

The Recreation Ground Club welcomed ladies from Morchard Bishop WI for an evening of skittles. The Bingo and Quiz sessions continue to be well supported.

The Farm Shop is doing good business with their bacon and sausages, also there is some extra mature cheese from autumn 1998 which is in the spring sale.

March 2010

The Gardening Club had enjoyed an interesting talk recently by Dr Paul Sharman, who spoke on the Evolution of the Garden, from Medieval and formal gardens, through landscaped gardens of the 1800s to modern gardens of present time.

For those curious about dowsing and who would like to have a go, a dowsing workshop was due to take place in the Parish Hall in March.

A hole had appeared on the village green which looked as if it was an old disused well. The hole had been filled and fenced in for safety and would be monitored. Villagers were being asked to think of ideas for dressing a scarecrow to display for a competition to raise money for Cancer Research.

A successful soup and cheese lunch had been held in the Parish Hall, at which a choice of 5 soups were given, with a selection of cheeses and French bread.

The second instalment of reminiscences by Colin Smale appeared in the magazine telling of his time at "Fine Oak Cottage" with his family during the 2nd World War.

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DESSERTS: Sticky Toffee Pudding & Vanilla Ice Cream;
Apple & Berry Crumble & Vanilla Ice Cream;
Selection of Ice Cream

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Bert Jewell writes Rhymes and Ways about Gardens and Gardening March

March, and things in the garden are moving apace,
Pushing winter aside, hardly leaving a trace,
Apart from the memory of those cold, wet days,
When I looked through the window, just thinking of ways

Of preparing the garden for the season ahead,
Like clearing old stems from the herbaceous bed,
Making room for the bulbs to grow through and shine.
The small dainty daffs are a favourite of mine.

And I watch as they grow with the greatest of ease,
Their leaves gently flutter from the incoming breeze,
As they raise their trumpets to welcome the spring,
While the birds in the garden join in and sing.

As they flit to and fro, for a site they must search,
In a large prickly shrub or a tall weeping birch,
To build for their young, somewhere safe, somewhere sound,
A nest so well hidden, as not to be found.

Looking now through the window to the garden outside,
Where the daffs and the tulips are flowering with pride,
As they herald the start of the long days ahead,
When time leaps forward, whilst we're tucked up in bed.

Things to do in the March Garden

One of the things we should do is think about global warming. I personally think we have been here before, many, many years ago, but now, with our desire to travel all over the world and with our desire to have all the high-tech gadgets on offer. Putting more satellites in orbit around our planet and the desire to have two or three vehicles outside the front door, meaning that the front garden becomes a slab of concrete. Our desire to eat out-of-season food, meaning food has to travel thousands of miles around the world, creating more pollution.

The demand for hundreds of new houses, meaning that our flood plains are being built on, trees are being cut down and hedgerows lost. I believe that all of these desires are helping to increase pollution, which in turn helps speed up climate change. I also believe that we can all do our bit to help reduce pollution levels, and March is a very good time to start.

If the only space you have is on the patio, think about planting up a large planter. Some of these are self watering, so will only need filling 2 or 3 times a week. You can plant now with perennials that will attract bees and butterflies, these plants include Achillea, Agastache, Astrantia, Dwarf Buddleia, Erigeron, some varieties of Helenium, Echinacea, Scabious and Rudbeckia. Or you could wait until May and plant the container with runner beans. Form a wigwam with canes and then plant one bean to each cane, you could plant salad bowl lettuce mixed, around the edge of the container.

This would create an attractive display, encourage pollinating insects and provide some fresh runner beans and salad leaves. Or you could in late May fill the container with summer bedding. Single flowers are more beneficial to pollinating insects than double ones. So try to include plants like Argyranthemum, a large flowered daisy 2in in height, Diascia 1in to 2in in height, Nemesia 1in in height, Osteospermum 18in in height and Verbena upright or trailing.

If you have a patch of unused garden, why not plant it up with perennials like, Foxgloves, tall Echinacea, Helenium, Knautia (a member of the scabious family), Monarda or Penstemon.

Now what else can we do in March!

Well, we can start by spring-cleaning the garden, lightly fork over the soil in beds and borders. Remove weeds and add mulch. Prune H T and Floribunda Roses, start planting Gladiolus corms, plant a few every two weeks, this will give you a display over a longer period.

In the veg garden, you can sow seeds of lettuce, spring onions, broad beans, parsnips, early carrots and peas. Plant onion sets and shallot, and towards the end of the month you could plant early potatoes.

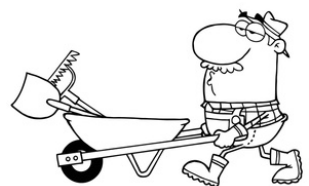
Cut the oldest stems of coloured Dogwood down to about 6in above the ground and the stems of Buddleia back to about 6in from where last year's growth began.

Plant of the month

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After Easter we will be playing host once again to the incredible and versatile David Mynne (who has previously visited with 'The Odyssey' and 'Great Expectations') with his one-man version of **'The Canterbury Tales'** on May 1st. Also on 15th and 16th May we have Philip Robinson and Luca Saunders with their newly written piece **'Thirty Seconds to Dreamland'**, an exploration of what it is like to be different in the modern world.

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At our February meeting Serge Chapman, an engaging young man spoke enthusiastically on his subject "Sighted Guiding". He gave us an enjoyable afternoon with lots of fun and laughter, in spite of the seriousness of the matter. What was at first thought to be a dull subject turned out to be very interesting and rewarding and had added impact since two of our members are partially sighted. We all now know how to approach and help a partially sighted person.

Devon Federation Events in March

Beauty & Pampering Days at Exeter College on 4th, 13th, 17th, 23rd and 26th. Federation Quiz, final 21st.

Our next meeting will be held at in the village hall on 11th March 2020 at 2.30 p.m. The speaker will be Andy Lucker giving a talk on "Catching Criminals".

Meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. February, March, October, November and December meetings will be held in the afternoons in the Parish Hall at 2.30 p.m. April to September meetings in the Village Hall at 7.30 p.m. Visitors are always welcome for a nominal sum of £4 - we are a friendly group - why not come along?

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Paul Cleave

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A report by The Swimming Team



On Wednesday 29th January 2020 some of class 4 went to Crediton to take part in the CLC Primary School Swimming Gala at the leisure centre.

The first races were 25m and 50m, some of us came 1st 2nd or 3rd overall. In the girls 25m freestyle Cathy came first place and in the girls 50m freestyle Milly came third place. In the boys 25m freestyle Jake came second place and in the boys 50m freestyle Max came second place.

It was a tough competition as there were 10 schools competing. In the girls backstroke the 25m third place went to Milly and for the 50m backstroke second place was awarded to Cathy. Jake from our school came second in the 50m backstroke. In breaststroke 25m girls, Jess came third and the 50m third went to Hannah. In the boys 25m breaststroke George came 1st place and in the 50m Max came 1st place as well. In the mixed 100m freestyle relay a team of Max, Jake, Nicole and Ellie came second. After all the hard work we put in we came 1st place overall.



New road sign erected by the arboretum committee

Devon County Council have refused to designate the short stretch of Church Lane from the A377 to the church as a one way street, so it remains a danger to visitors to the church and the arboretum. The arboretum committee have erected a warning sign to give clear advice.

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Coffee Morning for the Arboretum



PICTURED CENTRE right is Roger Wilkins the Secretary of the Newton St. Cyres Arboretum, with members, Gill Melling, Deborah January, Geoff Jackson, David Vallance Head Warden, . and Courtney Ware, a general helper.who looked after the display of Arboretum photographs. Roger Wilkins thanked everyone for coming, and said the event has raised £260, for their funds for the upkeep of their beautiful area.

Margaret Tucker

GARDEN CLUB

The February meeting was very well attended, when Jo Hynes came to speak to us on 'Snowdrops and Cyclamen in the Wild and in the Garden'. In her garden at Higher Cherubeer, near Winkleigh in north Devon, she has around 400 snowdrop species and cultivars. In a link to a talk we had last year from Chris and Karen on bees, Jo said that her honey bees had recently been flying on sunny days and had been foraging for nectar from the snowdrops.

Jo and Tom open their gardens in February, through the National Open Garden Scheme, when the snowdrops, in their clumps, are in full display.

Jo had wonderful photographs to accompany her talk and explained that holidays were frequently planned to see snowdrops and cyclamen in their natural habitats.

Some of the snowdrop varieties that Jo talked about included *Galanthus plicatus*



'Madeleine' a delicate yellow with lime-green ovary, 'Trumps' whose outer petals mimic the inside petals (tepals) and 'Trymposter', which is a vigorous grower, and a clump will soon form from a single bulb. Jo also told us that she had bred two of her own varieties 'Galanthus' and 'Wind Turbine'. This snowdrop got the name because the petals open quickly when the temperatures rise and very widely. Jo named these two varieties after her children Daisy and Jack. To grow snowdrops from seed, they should be sown as soon they are ripe (in April) when the pod is 'squidgy'. The seeds will germinate (in a greenhouse) the following season and can be potted on when 2 years old.

In addition to her love of snowdrops, Jo applied for National Collection status for her cyclamen, a scheme run by the charity Plant Heritage to conserve cultivated plants. With a genus of just 23 species, Jo decided it was manageable, and told us about a recent trip to Georgia with the Alpine Garden Society to see *Cyclamen parviflorum* growing wild. Other holidays, to see cyclamen in their native habitats, included Israel for *Cyclamen persicum*, and the south of France for *C. balearicum*.

Jo said that hardy cyclamen are often undervalued as garden plants, and that we could all grow them and have different ones flowering over the full 12 months of the year. Starting with *Cyclamen hederifolium* in July and August, it is possible to follow with *c. cilicium* (scented), then *c. coum*, *c. alpinum* in February, *c. pseudibericum* in March, *c. repandum* in April/May and finally the scented *c. purpurascens* in June which will take you up to *hederifolium* again.

They do best in the shelter of deciduous trees and shrubs and like good drainage, because they all come from Mediterranean regions. The range of cyclamen flower shapes, sizes and colours from magenta to pink to white are matched by the heart-shaped leaf variations from deep greens to those decorated with silvers and greys. There were lots of questions at the end of the talk and Jo had kindly brought along some varieties for sale. A very informative evening, and one which inspired us to try growing different varieties in our gardens.

The March meeting of the Gardening Club will be a visit to the grounds of Sherwood House on Thursday 19th March. Please book a place on this visit with Nicola (01392 851985). Further details will be given nearer the date. We hope that the magnolias will be in full flower by this time.

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James Tatum demonstration

James Tatum is a member of the South West Academy and exhibits in Europe and the US. Many of us were already familiar with his work, having seen his paintings in local exhibitions or attended one of his workshops. His aim at this gathering was not to produce a finished painting, but to illustrate with two demonstrations the crucial role of shape, tone and relationships. As he said, colour is the icing - first you have to make the cake. The composition must be satisfactory or it isn't worth continuing.

His expressive and very physical, messy way of applying paint involves standing up, using heavy paper, large decorator's brushes, sticks, a fingernail, charcoal, Neocolour soluble wax crayons and anything else that comes to hand (a windscreen scraper produced credible tree trunks), and slamming, smearing, rubbing and scraping paint in what appears to be a random way but isn't. He admitted that his method doesn't always work but often produces pleasing surprises.

He said that close observation and lots of sketching en plein air always precedes the work in the studio on the painting. He also suggested seeing the painting for what it is, rather than for what it's going to become. In other words, loosen up, take risks, be brave. Look for contrasts : light/dark, vertical/horizontal/diagonal, textured/smooth, busy/calm. Atmosphere, not precision, is what your painting should be about: "This is

what it felt like to be here, not See how clever I am at painting gorse."

This was an invigorating demonstration designed to help us move out of our comfort zones and paint with courage. He kindly donated the second piece of work to our group to be used as a future raffle prize.

Jenny Hallam



Landscape by James Tatum: A physical approach to painting

March on the Farm



NATURE

March comes in wintry, and ends spring like: in like a lion, out like a lamb. I've been marvelling at trees, those largest of living things that tower stately and unheeding over our lives. Leaves emerge, magically unfolding origami from hard wood. Blackthorn flowers first, pure white against black branches. Wild daffodils started early in the mild winter, and now the edges of fields are rejoicing with flowers. Ants lie glistening on their battered anthills, warming in the sun before they start the work of rebuilding for this year's larvae. We saw two large foxes playing, out for a stroll, jumping the tussocks of grass in the orchard. They were honeymooning before settling down to the hard work of earth-building, cub bearing, rearing and feeding for the rest of the year. The holly is flowering in the hedge, those waxy white flowers with a holly berry-like green centre, the promise of berries to come.

ARABLE

The wheat responds to stronger light and warmth, just starting to think in its leafy heart about tiny embryo ears, just forming at the base of each plantlet. Our new seeds, spring crops, get going, little roots exploring the warming soil, little shoots harvesting the sunlight.

COWS

The heifers that we outwintered grew well on kale (the younger ones) and fodder beet (the older ones). It felt like a miserable winter, and if growing is anything to go by, staying outside works for them. It doesn't quite work for our eyes, so we're looking at evicting straw from the shed and giving the animals some shelter.

March 2020

We had lots of grass left over from the autumn that we couldn't get the cows to eat without damaging the soil in the wet weather. The cows are busy eating that down. We have our annual game of watching grass disappear across the farm into hungry cows, while we wait for the new growth to catch up. Eat the new leaves too young and the leaves just aren't big enough to give the cows as much feed as they need, and aren't fibrous enough to make enough cream in the milk. To protect future grass, we feed them a little silage in the afternoon.

The spring cows are peak calving, fecundity central. We've had a good number of heifers. We used sexed semen on the heifers which gives them an easier calving, and gives us future cows from our youngest and best animals. This year, we have some cows that met an Angus bull. We will rear these animals on the farm as an experiment to see if this works for us. We'll take them through until late spring next year, just when we run a little shorter of grass.

DAIRY

We are now on a good balanced milk making firm cheese, and I can't wait to see and smell the first milk from grass, even the first day of grazing fresh pasture makes a difference.

The grass fed milk comes through into the cheese dairy. It can be high in protein, and confuse our measurement of acidity. Our kit thinks amino acids, the building blocks of protein, are proper acids like the lactic acid from fermenting lactose that drives cheesemaking. Then we have to adjust our make to keep the cheese just right. The milk builds up, and the team works harder: more milk, more cheese to make, to press, and store.

We graded some cheese made in the autumn from these cows' milk later in lactation: good flavours, and softer than we'd like. I'll be interested to see how they mature on: will they become luscious and melting?

RECIPE

Foraged soup: Pick new nettle leaves, new sorrel leaves and if you are lucky in sheltered woodland, the first wild garlic leaves, several good handfuls in total. I use some ham stock, already full of vegetables and boil up some chopped potatoes till soft. Add the washed leaves for a few minutes. Add some cream. Liquidize. Season. Grate some Quicke's Buttery, our youngest and butteriest cheese as a luscious topping. We only get a few of these intensely buttery-flavoured cheese a month and they are worth celebrating with this spring soup, sourdough bread and Quicke's Whey Butter.

The Cheese Box is our new shop, focused on our cheese and selected other cheeses, crackers, pickles and drinks, those things that go with cheese. Come and check it out.

Mary Quicke

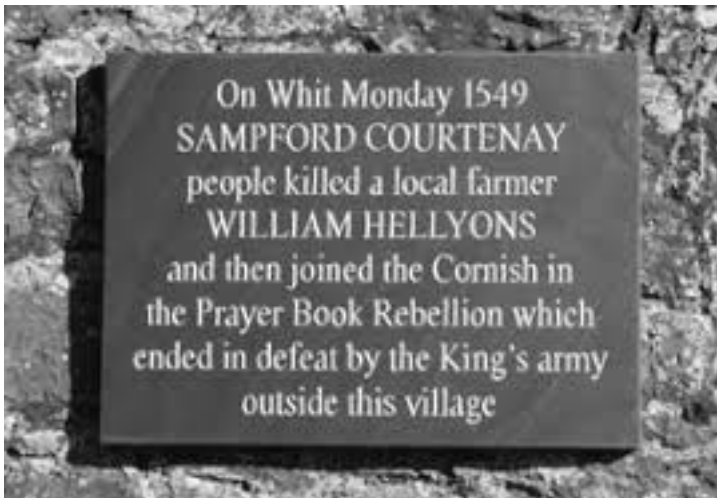
Bring your copy of Mary's Dairy for February 2020 to receive 10% discount in the Quicques' Cheese Box this month.

NEWTON ST CYRES HISTORY GROUP

Our first meeting of 2020 marked the 10th anniversary of the History Group! The first meeting was held in the club room on Thursday 14th January 2010, when we showed a video of the church made in 2002 by Chris Southcott. This seems a suitable time to thank Jean Wilkins for her 10 years of work in booking speakers, organising events, arranging exhibitions and making available her extensive knowledge of the history of the village and its surroundings.



For our latest gathering, we focused on The Prayer Book Rebellion, which was a violent and dramatic event in Devon and Cornwall during the summer of 1549. It centred on a six-week siege of Exeter with battles in the surrounding villages. Our speaker was Peter Budd, who took the photographs for the talk given by Tony Gale last March, on The Cridie Boundary. Peter is a retired vet, but he is a skilled photographer and also has a keen interest in history. He has used these skills to make an audio-visual presentation on the Prayer Book Rebellion, a subject he became fascinated by after parking near the memorial stone in Sampford Courtenay village, which commemorates the event that sparked off the rebellion in Devon.



In fact there had been unrest for some time. The Reformation under King Henry VIII had already brought great changes to people's lives, affecting the social structure, and worsened by high taxes. In 1547, King Edward VI came to the throne, but he was only 9 years old, and so his uncle, the Duke of Somerset, was the Lord Protector. A new Prayer Book was introduced and measures were taken to extend the reach of Protestantism, but this was deeply unpopular in many areas of the country, where Catholicism and tradition were still strong.

In West Cornwall, in April 1548, a commissioner named William Body had been sent to remove all symbols of Catholicism. Such was the resentment that he was murdered in Helston. Cornish was still spoken in the west and there was a strong vein of independence in the county. The traditional story of the rebellion is that an army of Cornish rebels assembled in Bodmin in June and then marched to Devon, where they were joined by the rebels who had gathered in Crediton after the unrest in Sampford Courtenay.

Trouble broke out in Sampford Courtenay on Whit Sunday (Whitsun is the seventh Sunday after Easter, so usually late May or early June), because the priest obediently used the new prayer book. The parishioners forced him to revert to the old service, but William Hellyons was a supporter of the new changes and in the fighting that broke out, he was killed.

Thereafter, events escalated. A Devon force of protestors gathered in Crediton and barred the way into town. Two Devon gentlemen, Sir Peter and Sir Gawen Carew, were sent with a small force to parley with them. However, on being denied entry they lost patience and stormed the barricade, eventually setting light to one of the barns involved. This so angered the protestors that more flocked to their cause and from then on they were treated as rebels.

Further protests spontaneously arose in Clyst St Mary after Sir Walter Raleigh's father chided an old lady for using her rosary. These protesters held the bridge and their village on the main London road. Exeter was besieged when the mayor refused to surrender the town.

The Lord Protector sent Sir John Russell, Earl of Bedford, to suppress the rebels, and his force of nearly 9,000 men met the rebels at Fenny Bridges. The combined force of about 7,000 rebels from Devon and Cornwall were under the command of Sir Humphrey Arundell. The battle was inconclusive. Russell proceeded to Aylesbeare Common where his encampment was attacked by the rebels, again without a conclusive result, but with Russell taking large numbers of prisoners. A much fiercer conflict took place at Clyst St Mary, when Russell gained the advantage and took many more prisoners, as well as leaving many hundreds of rebels dead. There then followed a shocking massacre, at Clyst Heath, when Russell ordered the prisoners to be killed, and 900 bound men had their throats cut within ten minutes. The rebels were furious for revenge, but in the ensuing battle were overcome by the professional soldiers, and Russell went on to lift the siege of Exeter.

The reprisals afterwards were savage. Rebels who were captured were hanged, and the leaders hung, drawn and quartered. Twelve months of reprisals followed in Cornwall and the loss of young men was felt in the villages for years to come. Robert Welsh, the vicar of St Thomas, was hanged on a gallows on his church tower, in all his Catholic vestments, and left there till 1553, as a warning.

Peter Budd's audio-visual presentation was beautifully presented and gave a clear account of the story of the rebellion, but the twist came afterwards, when he told us about recent detailed research carried out by Professor Mark Stoyle. Many readers will know that Mark comes from Thorverton and specialises in the history of Exeter, Devon and Cornwall. The definitive book on the Prayer Book Rebellion was written in 1913 by Frances Rose-Troup, and no one has questioned or doubted her account.

Mark Stoyle has recently done some research on her dating and her assumptions, and found that there is conflicting evidence. The movements of the Cornish forces and the dates that they joined the rebels seem to be different from all the accepted dates, and the memorial tablet at Sampford Courtenay is not, it seems, entirely accurate. The Cornish almost certainly joined the Devon rebels much later, and it seems that the true date of the gathering of the Cornish forces in Bodmin, traditionally taken as 6th June, was in fact 6th July. It may be that the rebellion in Devon sparked off the Cornish to mobilise, after the unrest of the previous year.

We had a thought provoking evening, pondering on the way in which historical inaccuracies can be perpetuated, and on the brutal and savage events which happened here nearly 471 years ago. Our thanks go to Peter Budd for his interesting talk.



Forthcoming Meetings

Wednesday 18th March, Elly Babbedge a seasoned researcher and charismatic speaker will come and tell us '**How the poor were provided for in some Mid Devon Parishes**'. Unlike many of our neighbouring villages, Newton St Cyres cannot point to any old buildings or identify any ruins as the poorhouse. Elly thinks she may have an explanation for us.

Wednesday 22nd April, Ed Williams-Hawkes will speak on '**Dellers of Bedford Street**'. Only a few folk now living in Devon have experienced tea at Dellers but its reputation lives on. It was THE place to meet and dine in the 1930's housed in a rather special building lost in the Exeter Blitz of May 1942. Ed Williams-Hawkes is an expert as his family ran the enterprise.

Unless otherwise stated, our meetings are held on Wednesdays in the village hall, usually the club room, starting at 7.30pm. Tea and biscuits are provided on arrival and the total cost is £2/head. There is no special membership fee. All are welcome. For further information contact Jean 851337 or Isobel 851351



LOVE Devon helps brings communities together

It may be cold outside, but there's a warm glow spreading out across the whole of Devon. From coast to countryside, villages and towns to cities, **LOVE Devon** is bringing communities together to support themselves and each other and to celebrate everything that is good and glorious about living and working in this part of the world.

LOVE Devon was established by Devon Communities Together which is approaching its 60th birthday. The independent charity was set up with the intention of helping communities to help themselves, and **LOVE Devon** was established as a way of raising awareness and raising much-needed funds to support the charity.

The charity's key objectives are more important than ever – to ensure Devon's communities are given the support they need to address the issues that affect them; to help them become more resourceful and resilient and to build places that are healthier, more vibrant and inclusive with improved well-being.

LOVE Devon is unashamedly proud of its people and places and there's a whole raft of enterprises. Projects include the Village Halls Service which keeps the buildings at the heart of any community beating and the Big Energy Saving Network which tackles the issue of fuel poverty that is worse in rural areas where there is limited access to the mains gas network.

There are important challenges facing everyone in Devon including affordable housing, entrepreneurship, rural isolation and loneliness, the environment and sustainability. But for every challenge, **LOVE Devon** has a creative way of approaching it.

If you love Devon, get involved! Join in with fundraising, access help and advice or simply spread the word. Go to Facebook (www.facebook.com/lovedevon2016/), Twitter (@LoveDevon) or Instagram (@Loving_Devon) or the website www.devoncommunities.org.uk



ROYAL VOLUNTARY SERVICE

We are currently developing a volunteer-led initiative across Mid Devon to help reduce isolation and loneliness within older people.

The project - known as Community Companions - primary focus is to recruit and train small teams of volunteers to provide companion support to the most isolated within their own communities. The more local the focus the better. Royal Voluntary Service provides all the background support, DBS's, safeguarding and training services for the volunteers to facilitate such activity to happen safely.

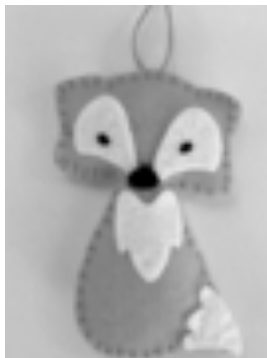
We are currently aiming to attract volunteers to join the project and establish a local support network that can then reach out to help the most isolated.

If you are interested in forming a local group or volunteering to help please contact the editor editor@newtonwonder.net

All Welcome

CRAFT CLUB

**Monday mornings 9.30 - 11am
at Bernaville Nurseries**



**YOU DO NOT HAVE TO HAVE ANY CRAFT SKILLS TO
JOIN IN. JUST COME ALONG FOR A CHAT.**

**We make craft items to sell at local events. All proceeds go to support
Newton St Cyres Primary School.**

If you have any **spare craft materials, knitting wool, thread, card, paper,
beads, ribbons etc** that you would like to donate to the club?
Please drop them into Newton St Cyres Primary school or Bernaville Nurseries
on a Monday morning

All donations are gratefully received and we recycle all that we can.
We do not meet during school holidays

Newton St Cyres toddler group

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

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

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



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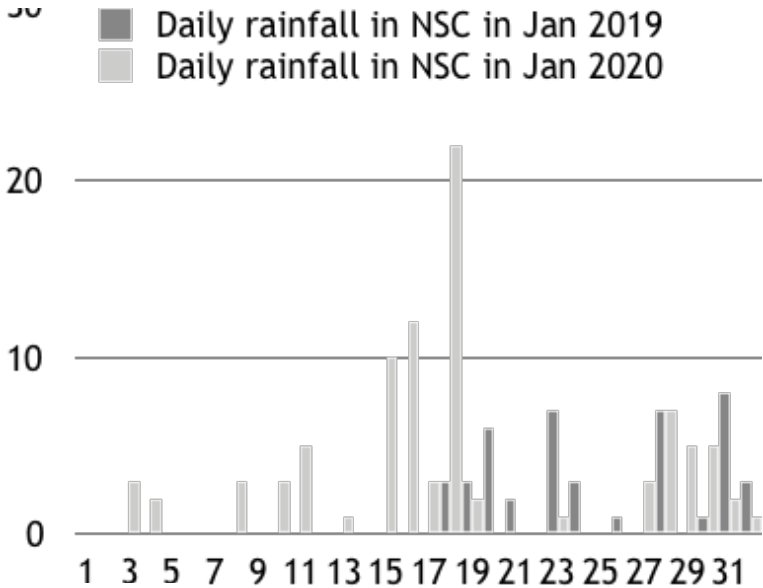
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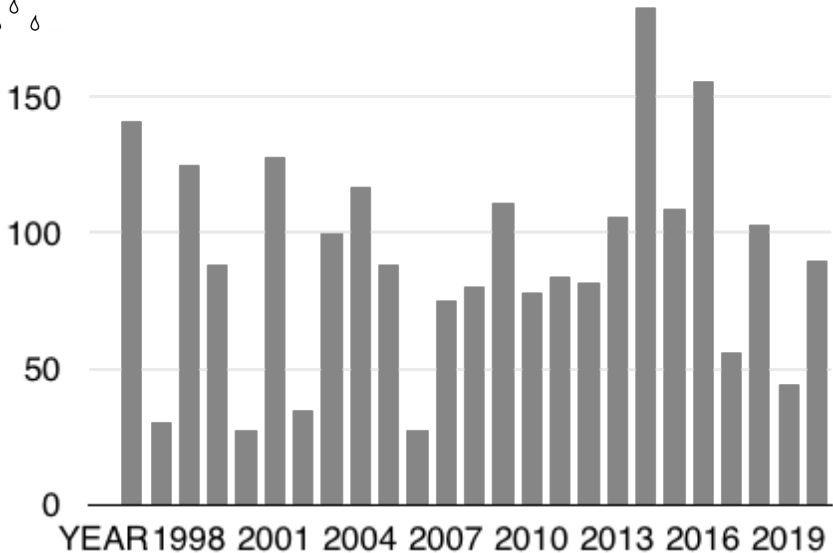
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We are grateful to James Walters and his family, especially his granddaughter Alice for providing us with regular details of the rainfall in Newton St Cyres.



■ Monthly rainfall in NSC in January since 1996



UPTON PYNE AND DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB

Monday 16th March 2020 7.30pm in the Village Hall

This month our speaker is

NEIL LOVESEY



from PICKET LANE NURSERIES

'Re-wilding the garden'

Non members are welcome
to all our events - talks £3
Refreshments & Raffle



QUIZ EVENING

BRAMPFORD SPEKE VILLAGE HALL



FRIDAY 24th APRIL 2020, 7.30 P.M.

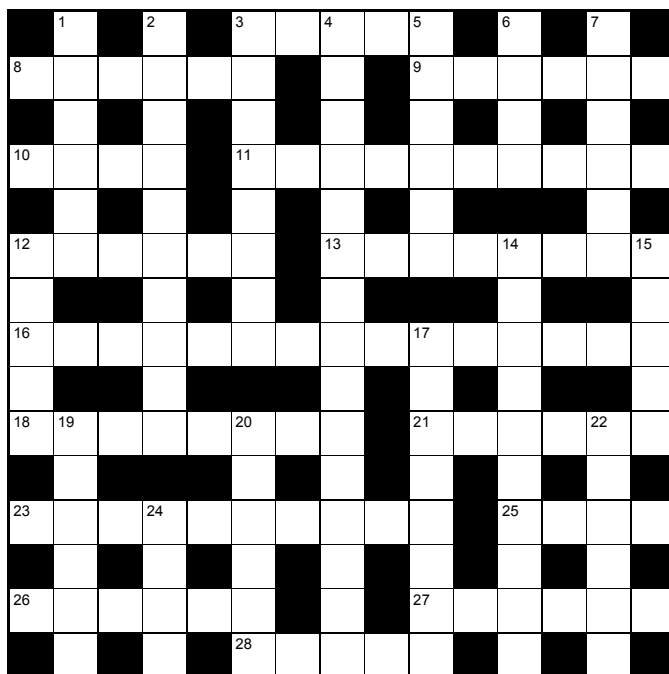
TEAMS OF UP TO FOUR - prizes for the winning team

TICKETS £8.00 EACH INCLUDES SAVOURY BUFFET SUPPER &
TEA/COFFEE



OR BRING YOUR OWN WINE/BEER

Cryptic Crossword



ACROSS

- 3 American backs man in Arab country (5)
- 8 Son is engrossed in magazine with cartoons relating to space (6)
- 9 Speaker is to sponsor a Tory partly (6)
- 10 A southern island associated with a large land mass (4)
- 11 A fan of Di Canio, a deviant (10)
- 12 Bus carrying Polish back from area outside the city (6)
- 13 Nun, one I'd upset making suggestive comment (8)
- 16 Crooked general poisoned senior citizen (3-3,9)
- 18 Dicky learned about very fragrant plant (8)
- 21 The wife is to lament you and I being absent (6)
- 23 Ownership of property (10)
- 25 I had emptied lorry in a lazy manner (4)
- 26 Trisha could be a goddess (6)
- 27 Acquiring English silver, ran for president (6)
- 28 Poem, say, set in cathedral city (5)

DOWN

- 1 Island providing no hush unfortunately (6)
- 2 Flawless description of Jesus's conception (10)
- 3 Game starts to stir Chelsea mob (8)
- 4 The exact thing (8,7)
- 5 Idea is unacceptable, one accepted (6)
- 6 Pub by new farm building (4)
- 7 Did origami and went bankrupt (6)
- 12 Head of school's to intimidate student with threatening look (5)
- 14 Self-centred social tiger almost comes a cropper (10)
- 15 Head off from dance with Iris (5)
- 17 Theological college gives tutorial at start of year (8)
- 19 Stir up a riot, chiefly by river (6)
- 20 Lust for some French passion (6)
- 22 A French boy goes round old dump (6)
- 24 Chris finally had a meal to satisfy appetite fully (4)

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 the February Cryptic Crossword

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New Trees in Newton - Good for the Environment Good for us.

In autumn last year about 50 people from Newton and the surrounding area came together to plant trees at the site next to the school on Station Road, enjoy the company and delicious shared lunch afterwards.

We planted a native 'wild harvest' hedge around the perimeter with 'whips'; which are young trees about 6 inches long. Species included hazel, rowan, hawthorne, wild cherry, rose and dogwood. The 450+ trees, canes and tree guards were donated by The Woodland Trust and the mulch that will help suppress the weeds was donated by Moonridge Farm.



Thank you to everyone who made this possible, gained permissions, delivered invitations, came and planted trees, made soup, washed up, cut up cardboard, slipped around in the mud, barrowed mulch and everything else :)

The day was organised by the Newton Environment Wellbeing group which aims to support the human and natural world in our village.

New ideas for projects and help are always welcome.

Contact : andrew.broadhead4u@gmail.com





There will be simple soup lunches during Lent and activities linked to the environment, on the following dates, with guest speakers from the Diocese of Exeter:

**12:00 noon Sunday 1 March, Soup Lunch in Rewe Social Club
Following Coffee, Cake & Company in Rewe Church at 11:15 am
You are welcome at either or both of these events.**

6:00 pm Sunday 1 March Cadbury Church, Informal Service followed by Tea, Coffee, Cake including a collection of foodstuffs for the foodbank.

**12:00 noon Wednesday 11 March
Soup Lunch in the School House Upton Pyne.**

**12:00 noon Friday 20 March
Soup Lunch in The Old Vicarage, Stoke Canon.
(All proceeds to The Amos Trust)**

**10:00 am Saturday 14 March
Churchyard Clear-Up Brampford Speke Church
Continuous flow of coffee, hot chocolate and biscuits!**

**10:00 am Saturday 21 March, Rewe Church
Churchyard clear-up including building bird and insect boxes.**

**10:00 am Sunday 22 March Cadbury Church
Mothering Sunday Family Service followed by Bug Hotel Workshop.**

**11:30 am - 2:00 pm Wednesday 25 March
Soup Lunch in Newton St Cyres Village Hall.**

**12:00 - 2:00 pm Friday 3 April
Soup Lunch in Thorverton Church.
(Including Traidcraft stall)**

The Parish Church of St Cyr and St Julitta Newton St Cyres



March 2020

Theme - Yahweh-M'Kaddesh - The Lord who sanctifies

Date	Time	Event
1st March	10:00am	OPEN DOOR Service - Church
Sunday		(Lay Led)
6th March	18:30pm	CHOIR Rehearsal - Church
Friday		all welcome
7th March	10:30 am	COFFEE MORNING
Saturday		Parish Hall
8th March	9:30am	FAMILY Service - Church
Sunday		
20th March	18:30pm	CHOIR Rehearsal - Church
Friday		all welcome
22nd March	9:30am	MOTHERING SUNDAY Service with Communion
Sunday		Church
25th March	12:00	LENT Lunch - Parish Hall
Wednesday		<i>all welcome (with Speaker from the Diocese)</i>
2nd April	2:00 pm	Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)
Thursday		all welcome - Church
Fortnightly	2:30 pm	Bible Studies - Sue Browne's house
Monday		<i>usually fortnightly, meetings to be arranged on a rolling basis, please contact Sue if interested</i>

*** OPEN DOOR ***



Come and join our monthly "OPEN-DOOR"

An Informal Service at

Newton St. Cyres Church

At our next OPEN DOOR on

March 1st at 10.00 a.m.

We will discuss:

Yahweh M'Kaddesh, the Lord who sanctifies

with Tea, Coffee and Cake

Music

and Simple Prayers

PLEASE DO COME and JOIN US!

Services in the Netherexe Parishes

Your parish churches aim to provide a variety of service types to meet the needs of the whole community. Most Sunday services except those early in the morning include hymns and music. Everyone is welcome at all services

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

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

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

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

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

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

Common Worship [CW] Common Worship Service

Daily Morning & Evening Prayer in the Netherexe Parishes

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

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

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Would you like a lift to church? May we offer you a lift to the parish church or to a joint service elsewhere? For transport to Sunday services from locations in Thorverton parish, please ring Steve Rendell on 01392 860780. For transport from Rewe parish please contact Guy Sheppard on 01392 861022

Newton St Cyres Parish Church Rotas March 2020

Week Ending	No flowers during Lent	Clean Church/ clean loo: key usual place	Brass: key with Sue
March 1 st (OD)	-	S. Browne/J. Furniss	
LENT 8 th (FS)	-		
15 th	-	-	
22 nd (HC)	Mothering Sunday - posies		
29 th (MS)	-	-	-

Sidespersons -- March 2020

March 1 st	10.00 a.m. Open Door Lay-led		
8 th	9.30 a.m. Family Service	Anne Page	Margaret Snow
15 th	-	-	-
22 nd	9.30 a.m. Mothering Sunday Holy Communion	Wendy Hough	Tony Hough
31 st			

Staying Fit

There is a lot of emphasis today in social media and in the papers and on our TV programmes on our physical health. We are introduced to new “superfoods” which it is claimed have amazing powers to sort our health problems. We are enjoined to try out different exercise routines or different diets which we are assured will change our lives. And we buy “fitbits” and other gizmos which help us to monitor our heart rate and our blood pressure and generally keep track of how fit we are.

I do try to stay physically fit. I am a member of a gym and I do go swimming regularly. Whenever I do go to the gym or swimming or out for a walk with friends I always feel so much better for it and resolve to do this much more frequently and regularly in the future. But often I fail. I decide there is a pressing need to catch up on a TV programme or conquer the ironing pile instead of getting the regular exercise my body needs. Or perhaps I succumb to the temptation of chocolate when an apple would have been a far healthier option.

But at least I do occasionally go to the gym and I do (actually quite regularly) go swimming. And even if the chocolate does win out most times I do occasionally munch happily on an apple.

Of course I could spend a week on a health farm and immerse myself in healthy activities and only eat healthy meals for a week. But such weeks come at a hefty cost, so I will continue to do my best and pray that the scales are kind to me!

And much the same could be said of my spiritual health. I do try to remain close to my loving Father God. I try to maintain a regular prayer life and read my Bible. And I attend church regularly. But life and other temptations can get in the way of all these activities....

... And that is where the season of Lent comes in. Because Lent is a bit like a (free) six week stay on a “spiritual” health farm if we choose to embrace it. It is a time for repentance, for renewal and for refreshment of our spiritual lives through attendance of Lent Groups, spiritual disciplines, prayer and fasting from things that get in the way of our relationship with God. That might involve reducing the time we spend on social media, giving up alcohol or certain foods such as chocolate and giving the money saved to charity. It might mean committing to spending longer reading the Bible each day or “taking up” something such as a daily meditation or some charitable volunteering. This Lent you might like to try the Love Life Live Lent programme we are promoting in the Netherexe parishes, or join in the various Lent soup lunches being arranged throughout the parishes - each including a talk from a local expert on various ways we can help our local ecology and environment. Find out more about these and other initiatives in your church magazines and “In Touch”.

Only you will know what is the right thing to help you connect more closely to your loving heavenly Father, who is waiting with open arms as we all stumble towards him. But I warmly recommend that you give this some thought this Lent and find something which helps you become more spiritually fit. It may have a life changing effect.

May I wish you all a peaceful, thoughtful and spiritually rewarding Lenten season.

Sue Sheppard

COFFEE MORNING



MARCH 7TH, 2020
10.30 - 12.00

PARISH HALL
Newton St Cyres

Come and join us
for coffee and chat,
stalls and raffles.

All funds in aid of the Church.

NEWTON ST CYRES CHURCH

Lent Lunch
with Soup and Speaker

on March 25th from 11-2
in the Parish Hall

MARCH 2020 SERVICES & INFORMATION

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

Sunday 1 March Lent 1

09:30 am	Holy Communion	[C]	Thorverton	KC
10:00 am	Family Service		Brampford Speke	Lay Led & SS
10:00 am	Open Door		Newton St Cyres	Lay Led
10:00 am	Service of The Word		Stoke Canon	Lay Led
11:15 am	Coffee, Cake & Company		Rewe	
	<i>Followed by Soup Lunch in Parish Hall [ground floor]</i>			
06:00 pm	Informal Evening Service		Cadbury	Lay Led
	<i>Followed by Lenten Coffee & Foodbank Collection</i>			

Sunday 8 March Lent 2

09:30 am	Family Service		Newton St Cyres	KC
09:30 am	Open		Thorverton	
10:00 am	Messy Church		Stoke Canon	Lay Led
11:15 am	Morning Worship		Rewe	LF
11:15 am	Holy Communion	[C]	Upton Pyne	D James

Sunday 15 March Lent 3

08:30 am	Holy Communion Said	[C]	Brampford Speke	KC
09:30 am	Holy Communion	[C]	Cadbury	KC
11:15 am	Communion by Extension		Rewe	LF
05:00 pm	Holy Communion	[C]	Stoke Canon	MSS
06:00 pm	Choral Evensong	[BCP]	Thorverton	Lay Led

Sunday 22 March Lent 4 & Mothering Sunday

09:30 am	Family Communion	[C]	Newton St Cyres	D James
09:30 am	Family Service		Huxham	JH
10:00 am	Family Service		Cadbury	Lay Led
	<i>Followed by Bug Hotel Workshop</i>			
10:00 am	Family Service, Baptism & 100 th Commemoration of War Memorial		Thorverton Parish Church	KC
			<i>Joint with Baptist Church</i>	
10:00 am	Family Service		Stoke Canon	Lay Led
10:00 am	Service of The Word		Upton Pyne	Lay Led
11:15 am	Family Service		Rewe	Lay Led & LF
04:00 pm	Family Service		Poltimore	KC

Sunday 29 March Lent 5

10:00 am	Mission Community Service		Poltimore	KC
	Holy Communion	[C]		

Sunday 5 April Palm Sunday

09:30 am	Holy Communion	[BCP]	Thorverton	KC
10:00 am	Open Door		Newton St Cyres	Lay Led
10:00 am	Walk of Witness		Stoke Canon	Lay Led
			<i>Joint with Stoke Canon Chapel</i>	
11:15 am	Coffee, Cake & Company		Rewe	
06:00 pm	Informal Evening Service		Cadbury	Lay Led

Letter to the editor

Hello

The fantastic walking for health scheme that operates in Mid Devon and Exeter is in desperate need of volunteers in order to keep our walks going and the community healthy. As such we would be really grateful if you could include the following section in your next edition....

Walking For Health

We want everyone to live happy and healthy lives.

Please help us achieve this by volunteering with your local walking for health scheme.

You will lead and assist with walks; you can also help to develop new routes.

We will provide full training and support and all agreed out of pocket expenses are re-imbursed.

If you want to get active, meet new people and make a difference to your local community we would love to hear from you

For more information please contact

Claire Ridge, Health Walks Coordinator on:

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*For further information or to submit a report please go to the website or contact the
NSC Parish Council Co-ordinator Damien Hodge Tel: 01392 851111
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From the Village Diary @ newtonwonder.net

March 2020

Sat 7th	Church	Coffee Morning	10.30am	Parish Hall
Wed 18th	History Grp	"Providing for the poor in some Mid Devon villages" Elly Babbedge	7.30pm	Parish Hall
Thur 19th	Garden Club	Visit to grounds of Sherwood House to see Magnolias. Booking essential with Nicola Baker 10392 851958	TBC	Meet in Parish Hall Car Park

April 2020

Sat 4th	Twinning	Coffee Morning	10.30am	Parish Hall
Wed 22nd	History Grp	"Dellers of Bedford Street" Ed Williams-Hawkes	7.30pm	Parish Hall

May 2020

Sat 2nd	Church	Coffee Morning	10.30am	Parish Hall
Thu 14th	Friends of the Arboretum	Tours and AGM	6,30pm	Meet in Parish Hall car park

June 2020

Sat 6th	Parish Hall	Coffee Morning	10.30am	Parish Hall
Sun 14th	Church	Patronal Lunch	12.15pm	Parish Hall

July 2020

Sat 4th	Church	Coffee Morning	10.30am	Parish Hall
Sun 19th	Village	REVELS	12 - 5pm	Recreation Ground

August 2020

**For further information and more recent entries and previous entries
please go to the**

website: www.newtonwonder.net.

**To have your event(s) included in the Village Diary please either use the
box on the Village Diary webpage or email details of your event(s) with
date(s), time(s) and venue(s) to editor@newtonwonder.net.**

A WEEK IN THE PARISH HALL

Mondays	CARDIO FITNESS PURE STRETCH	10.00.am 11.00.am	Emma Healey Tel. 07969 900794
Mondays (except Bank Holidays)	BINGO	Eyes Down at 7.45pm	Meat Bingo, Raffles, Snowball.
Tuesdays	GENTLE KEEP FIT	9.45 - 10.45am	Call Jane on 366413 £4.00p per session
Tuesdays	LINE DANCING	7.15 - 10.00pm	Paula Benford Tel. 01392 210830
Tuesdays (Fortnightly)	YOUNG FARMERS CLUB	8.00 - 10.00pm	Rob Davie - Sec. 07801597703 Georgina Davie - Chair. 07801273424
Last Wednesday of Month	ART GROUP	6.45 - 10.00pm	in the Club Room
1st Wednesday of Month (Quarterly)	GARDENING CLUB	7.30 - 9.30pm	Jane Timlett Tel. 01392 851361
3rd Wednesday of Month	HISTORY GROUP	7.30 - 9.30pm	Jean Wilkins Tel. 01392 851337
Thursdays (except 2nd Thurs. of month)	BALLROOM AND LATIN DANCING	4.00 - 9.30.pm	Wendy Richards Tel. 07949 141800
1st Thursday of Month	PARISH COUNCIL	7.00 - 9.00pm	All are welcome
2nd Thursday of Month	EXE VALLEY BIRD CLUB	7.00 - 9.00pm	Kevin Smaldon Tel. 7710 427817
Last Thursday of Month	MAH JONG CLUB	2.00 - 5.00pm	Geoff Jackson Tel. 01392 851551
Fridays	MARTIAL ARTS	6.00 - 7.00pm	
	TABLE TENNIS	7.15 - 9.30pm	Just turn up £2.50p per session (£1 .50p Children)
1st Saturday of Month (usually)	COFFEE MORNING	10.30 - 12.00 noon	Run by the Church and other village Groups/Organisations

WHO'S WHO IN THE VILLAGE

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Gardening Club	Jane Timlett	01392 851361
Honky Tonks Line Dancing	Paula Benford	01392 210830
History Group	Jean Wilkins	01392 851337
Table Tennis	Roger Wilkins	01392 851337
Friends of the Arboretum	Roger Wilkins	01392 851337
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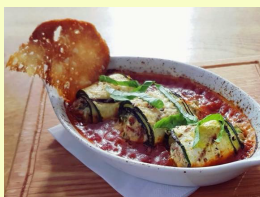
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