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Covid England

Here we go again! From 24th September new rules have been in force to control the spread of the coronavirus which has caused so much death, illness, not just directly but indirectly too and destruction: destruction of families, other social structures, livelihoods and businesses. Weddings have been restricted to fifteen participants, funerals to thirty. The rule of six means that many families are now unable to meet and be families. If you have three children you cannot meet a grandparent couple. If you have four or more you cannot meet grandparents at all. People will be unable to see their families over Christmas, Boris Johnson has told us to expect these rules to be in force for six months. Face masks which were apparently completely useless in March, April and May are now compulsory in shops, bars, cafes and restaurants when not sitting eating or drinking. These businesses now have to shut no later than 22:00 each evening. They will be restricted by law to table service only, except for takeaways. Table bookings of more than six are not allowed and groups can't mingle. I thought that was what you went to the pub for. The parish hall committee had hoped to be able to partially reopen the hall at the beginning of this month. However in the present circumstances they are finding it unclear as to when and whether the rule of six can be extended and have decided not to re-open on October 1st as planned. The Post Office will remain open on Tuesdays and Thursdays

Greater Exeter Strategic Plan

It's good to see that since our last issue in September the situation regarding these proposals has changed. East Devon District Council chose to pull out of the scheme. In Mid Devon the cabinet recommended following suit but in the end the outcome was more complicated. Graeme Barnell explains the situation as he sees it on page 7.

Like the last six Newton Wonder's this one reflects the lack of social activity and interaction we are allowed. We would love to hear how you have been and are continuing to deal with the rules of Covid-19.

90th Birthday ----- Anne Mitchell

I should like to extend my many thanks to everyone for helping me to make my 90th birthday so delightful.

I felt so fortunate with my health to be able to reach and celebrate the great age of 90 years.

I also send my thanks to all my family and special friends who hosted gatherings over two days and all kindly spent flowers and messages, which I greatly appreciated.

I was absolutely overwhelmed and – for once – speechless!

My thanks and bless you all!



PARISH COUNCIL REPORT September 2020

The meeting, on 3rd September 2020, was held by Zoom. It was attended by nine Councillors, the Parish Clerk, the Devon County Councillor (Margaret Squires) and two members of the public.

Greater Exeter Strategic Plan (GESP)

Currently the GESP is suffering setbacks. One of the five councils involved in the plan has withdrawn, meaning that the plan cannot go ahead in its current form. The consultation period that was due to happen this autumn will not now take place and so the open consultation meeting that was planned by the Parish Council has been postponed.

Boniface Trail

Progress continues to be made on the Boniface Trail. After achieving agreement with one major landowner on the proposed route of the trail, meetings are taking place with other landowners to address their concerns and rights. It is also time now to start 'site walks' along the route to explore the logistical issues of building the trail. Both Mid Devon District and Devon County Councils are very supportive of the project and it is hoped that they may be able to make some funds available at some time in the future. The project has also been offered support for technical issues from Devon County Council Highways Department.

Community Shop and Post Office

The Post Office in the village hall on Tuesdays and Thursdays seems to be reasonably well used. We need to keep supporting this service if we are to retain it. Progress on the community shop has been halted by the Covid-19 pandemic and it will be some months before this project can be revived.

The Covid-19 pandemic

Pleasingly, the level of infection in the South West remains low, and there has been very little need for assistance from our local support group. However, it is there if needed. Recently the Parish Clerk attended a briefing by Mid Devon on the next steps for councils in the battle against the virus. Here it was suggested that our local resilience plan needs to be updated to include response to a pandemic, and this will be done when the plan is reviewed in the autumn.

Some services are beginning to get back to normal within the village. The Parish Hall is set to reopen in October, with restrictions on the number of people who can attend a meeting and the stipulation that government guidelines be followed.

The school remained open during lockdown, catering for 30-40 children of key workers, and it experienced a successful end of term for year 6 in July. It is now open for all year groups, with alterations in the school day and other modifications to minimise the possibility of spread of disease.

Traffic Issues and the A377

- * As a result of the Parish Council's persistent complaints about speeding through the village, temporary speed cameras have been monitoring vehicle speeds recently to assess the extent of the problem. We await the results with great interest. Sadly, it will be too late to save the lives of two motorcyclists who have died on this stretch of road this summer.
- * The advisory speed camera on the bridge near Belluno has now been reactivated and will tell you if you exceed 30 mph down School Hill.
- * A request was received from a parishioner that the double white lines through the village, that were lost when the road was resurfaced, be reinstated. It has been suggested that double white lines are unnecessary here as there is automatically a ban on overtaking in a 30mph limit. The Parish council felt that many motorists would be unaware of this and that the double lines would be a good reminder. (I have since checked the Highway Code and can find no mention of no overtaking in 30 mph limits.) It was decided to request the replacement of the double white lines.
- * Several parishioners complained that they were persistently tailgated by other traffic if they stuck to speed limits. Some commercial vehicles have been identified as repeated offenders. It was decided that the Parish Clerk will write to the companies concerned to make an official complaint.
- * The bus shelters continue to be overgrown, particularly at Half Moon. It was decided to request some action to clear the vegetation from Devon County Council Highways.

Internet Connections

Many of the smaller settlements in the Parish have slow broadband speeds. Some time ago, the Parish Council successfully supported a project to improve speeds in the centre of the village. Unfortunately progress on providing fibre optic connections will be slow to the remaining areas. It may be of interest to parishioners who are particularly worried about this that the 4G network can be used to provide faster speeds and the cost of subscriptions is slowly reducing.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on **Thursday 1st October at 7:00pm**. The meeting will be by zoom again, rather than face to face as we had originally intended. Members of the public are welcome to attend but must inform the Parish Clerk or the Chairman, Cllr Jim Enright, as numbers are limited. Members of the public who attend should follow all the government guidelines in force at the time.

Liz Ouldrige
Press Officer

RECREATION GROUND CLUB

September for us changed not week by week but day by day. The nights closed in and so by 8.30 it was too dark for any sport. Cricket gave way to football and that also changed team by team as friendlies gave way to League games. The Bike Show was cancelled because of Covid-19.

We have to thank the football players for their support. They have done their best to comply with the restrictions and still give us their support.

The diary looks a bit strange this year. Every Saturday in October has football, but there's nothing else. September is usually the start of darts and skittles, and by October the leagues are well underway, with skittles on Monday and Tuesday evenings and darts on Wednesday and Thursday evenings. So far we have not had any contact from either the darts or skittles leagues.

Here's hoping this soon changes and our income begins to return to a level that will fully support our essentials.

Wendy Lewis

Do you need any help in these times?

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NSC Parish Council Co-ordinator Damien Hodge tel: 01392 851111
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News from our Mid Devon District Councillor

GESP IS DOWN BUT NOT OUT

On 20th August the full council of East Devon Council voted to leave the Greater Exeter Strategic Plan (GESP). On 6th August the cabinet of Mid Devon District Council (MDDC) also voted 7 to 1 in favour of withdrawal from the plan. The Mid Devon Council leader, Cllr Bob Deed (Thorverton Ward), was the only cabinet member to vote to remain in the GESP.

The reasons the full council of East Devon and the cabinet of MDDC both wanted to leave the GESP were exactly the same: a major reduction in the power of the councils to determine how many new houses and commercial sites are required and where these were to be built.

This loss of local control and democratic accountability was judged to be unacceptable and exposed both authorities to the risks of unwarranted large-scale development.

The views of the majority of the MDDC cabinet were given by Cllr Graeme Barnell (Newbrooke Ward), then the cabinet Portfolio Holder for Planning and Regeneration, in a detailed analysis of the plan's virtues and drawbacks.

After the MDDC cabinet had discussed then voted to reject the scheme, Cllr Deed dismissed the four Lib Dem councillors from the cabinet and appointed four Conservative councillors in their place. Those sacked by Cllr Deed included me.

Because of East Devon's decision to pull out, GESP in its original form cannot now go ahead. However Cllr Deed hopes to re-impose a new form of GESP on Mid Devon. He is currently chair of the group of four council leaders responsible for the future of GESP. If he gets his way, this is likely to mean thousands of new homes being built that are unwarranted by any measure of local housing need. We must work together to prevent this from happening.

Cllr Deed's dismissal of his political opponents was perfectly legal under the constitution of Mid Devon Council. He is 'prime minister' of mid-Devon. He unilaterally changed the political control of the cabinet and the council to suit his own views without any reference to the full council. This takeover is completely undemocratic.

As well as working to put a final halt to GESP, I will be working with the Campaign for Democracy in Mid Devon to change the constitution of Mid Devon Council and limit the arbitrary power of the council leader and his cabinet.

Cllr Graeme Barnell
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Jane
01392 851148

NEWTON RAMBLERS

Our walk on Sunday the 11th October

starts at Smallbrook in Newton St Cyres.

We will meet at 10 am at Smallbrook, (on the A377 going towards Crediton, on the sharp bend to the right with a speed warning). There is limited parking after you have left the main road just before the bend and to the right of the Parish Notice Board.

This is a fairly easy circular walk of about four and a half miles going around Hookway and Fordton, mainly along footpaths through rolling farmland and with extensive views to the north and south.

If there are more than 6 of us we will split into two groups.

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Thoughts for October from Peter Cordingley

How's your Internet reception? Ask that question in the Newton St Cyres area, and you'll probably get a variety of answers. Some people will say that it depends on the day. Others will tell you that things work pretty well most of the time. But most people, I suspect, will say they're not happy.

We're not happy. Between 7am and 11am, we repeatedly lose the broadband signal. It lags for parts of the day and then things are seriously bad again in the evening, where even the TV signal, which is part of our BT package, drops out.

If you're dissatisfied with your broadband, you're far from alone. Ofcom, the telecoms regulator, says nearly 1 million homes in rural areas don't have decent broadband. Horror stories abound. My favourite concerns a village in Wiltshire where if one family runs Netflix, the other households lose their signal.

Things are not nearly that bad in Newton St Cyres, of course, but it seems to me that a bad situation has worsened since the work-at-home policy kicked in. More and more people are logging on at home for work or for leisure, swamping a system that was already badly in need of a reboot.

The problem, needless to say, is money. Good internet requires an elaborate infrastructure, and that means high start-up costs. Service providers say they simply can't afford to take on the cost of getting high-speed broadband to people living off the beaten track. That means you and me.

BT, which has been charged by the government with accessing these hard-to-reach places, has been criticised by senior government sources for being 'sleepy' on the issue.

That seems true. As a relative newcomer to this area and to this country (I'm back in England after more than 40 years overseas), what surprises me is just how mediocre the Internet is for a major economy such as the UK's.

Most tables list Taiwan as having the world's fastest Internet speed, at 85 MB/s, followed, almost inevitably, by Singapore. Interestingly, Jersey is right behind Singapore – but here's the key to that. The top service providers there are companies that I have never heard of, the Jersey ISP Forecepoint Cloud? Newtel? Not a sign of BT or TalkTalk or Sky.

And the UK? 47th in the world, at 37.82 MB/s – slower than ... well, just about any of our competitors, and even more plodding than Hungary and Romania.

Don't ask me why things are so bad in the Newton area. After all, we live just a few miles from a city with one of the best universities in the country, with communications links to just about anywhere and a highly-prized lifestyle.

Maybe what's needed is a complete rethink. Perhaps a decent Internet service should be a legal requirement placed on the authorities, just like the provision of water, electricity and sanitation, etc. That way I'd be able to watch 'Line of Duty' (yes, yet again) without that ruddy spinning wheel!

Do You Remember?....October?

October 1970

This edition of the Newton Wonder carries a report that Devon County Council is aware of the dangers of the Exeter to Crediton road and is pushing forward with a really big improvement scheme which will eventually bypass the village. Work will start, it is understood, on the section from Cowley bridge to Ford corner and much of the road will be dual carriageway. The bypass section is to be the last part of the plan.

The Church Council has decided to grant an interest free loan to the Parish Hall to help meet increased costs of the rebuild. Also, the Parish Hall records a good response to their appeal from individuals and organisations. The Department of Education and Science has managed to get their computer to make the first instalment of the grant.

The village bingo session will be held in the Primary School, twenty chickens and a turkey are among the prizes to be won.

October 1980

Rehearsals were taking place by the St Cyres Players for their modern thriller "Suddenly at Home", due to be performed at the end of the month.

At the Parish Council meeting a revised application for planning permission for the Glebe Development brought members of the public to listen to the debate. And it was agreed at the meeting to spend some money on planting bulbs around the trees on the Green to add colour in the Springtime.

Whilst redecoration was taking place in the Parish Hall it was discovered that the towel dispenser in the ladies toilet had been stolen. However, the fixing screws had been leftover

October 1990

The St Cyres Players were rehearsing for their double bill of local plays to be performed at the Parish Hall the following month.

J G Quicke & Partners would be holding a Cheese & Wine Country Fayre at Home Farm in October to raise money for the Hospiscare Appeal.

The Tennis Club reported that the standard of play from the junior members this year had been very high and that the tournaments were most enjoyable. The 2nd American Tournament was held in September and another was planned for October by popular demand.

The Garden Fete held in August at the Crown & Sceptre proved to be a tremendous success and had raised £350. The barbecue and outdoor performance by the drama group made a lovely end to the day.

October 2000

News from the Farm records that Norman Wheadon finally retired after forty one years working with the pigs.

The milk yield is lower so there is a need to buy in from neighbouring farms in the Creedy valley, it needs to be 'local' milk to ensure it has the same flavour.

Bonfire night at the recreation ground will be on November 4th.

The Parish Council has news that MDDC will no longer finance the provision of a skip twice a year in the car park. Newton St Cyres won the award for the Best Kept Village in Mid Devon.

An interesting article appeared dealing with the residue left in cider barrels, known as snarlygogs. This is collected and put into an old copper, the top is sealed and a coiled pipe is run from the top of the copper through a milk churn full of cold water; this is essentially a still. The condensed liquid is collected and consumed but is reputed to be impossible to drink neat.

October 2010

The village was judged for the annual Best Kept Village competition. Overall, with a mark of 85, the judges found evidence of community spirit in various groups such as litter picking and children's involvement in making signs opposing gravel extraction.

The fireworks evening will be on 6th November in the hope that it won't clash with private parties.

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Bert Jewell writes Rhymes and Ways about Gardens and Gardening

October

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when seeing our families or our friends next door,
or when checking on those who are vulnerable or poor.

And if there is someone we know who is living alone,
just a ten-minute natter on the telephone
will brighten their day. You could ask how they are,
Letting them know you are never too far.

And at this harvest time, we should give all our praise,
To the farmers and growers for the crops that they raise,
From tiny seeds planted way back in the spring,
When the seagulls called and the blackbirds did sing.

And praise to the shops selling food for our plate,
To the postman who is keeping our mail up to date,
And to those who are working to keep us all free
From this terrible virus that no one can see.

So with summer time ending in just a few weeks,
It's time to enjoy those parsnips and leeks
That you grew for the first time, unsure what you'd need,
Be it cauliflower and cabbage or turnips and swede.

Things to do in the October garden

October is the month when the garden is set ready to face the winter. It is also the month when we can enjoy the fruits of our labour.

Let's start with what we can harvest now, such as apples and pears. Eating apples like Cox's Orange Pippin and Golden Delicious can be picked from mid October and if stored well will last until December. Whereas, James Grieve and Discovery, are best eaten when picked.

Cooking apples like Bramleys and Newton Wonder will last until early spring. Pears like Conference are best between October and November. If the fruit breaks away clean when lifted, it is usually ready to pick.

Brussel sprouts could be ready to enjoy later in the month. The late varieties will stand up to the cold icy weather of winter till way after Christmas. Carrots and parsnips can be left in the ground, pulling them up as you need them. If the soil is heavy and stays wet, it might be best to pull more than you need and store them in the salad drawer at the bottom of the fridge. But don't leave them too long before you use them.

Autumn cauliflower will also be ready to harvest and are at their prime when the florets are tight together. The large leaves surrounding the head can be bent inwards and tied together if necessary to protect the florets from the weather.

October is a good month to start preparing the garden for winter. The late potatoes have been lifted and stored in brown paper sacks, somewhere dark and frost free. We can now take down the runner beans, but first let's collect some of the longest, well-formed old dry pods. Take out the beans and keep them in a container ready to use as next year's seed. This will also work with peas.

Once the seeds are collected, the plants can be cut off at ground level and the roots left in the ground. Beans produce their own nitrogen and this will be released into the soil as the roots decay. Pull up the canes and clean off any soil before drying and packing away.

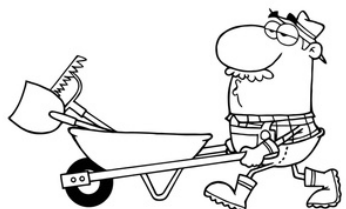
When areas in the veg patch become vacant, clean out the weed and rough turn the soil, leaving it lumpy and uneven. This will allow the frost to break it down ready for next spring. This is also a good time to plant out strawberry plants raised from this year's runners.

Plant of the month

"Colchicum"

This plant is often called Autumn Crocus, but the blooms are much larger and it flowers before the leaves appear. The bulbs are usually on sale in late summer, so need planting as soon as possible after purchase. The flowers can be 8"-10" tall and the leaves can be larger. It grows in well drained soil in sun or light shade.

Enjoy your gardening.





NEWTON ST CYRES HISTORY



How much do you know about the past in Newton St Cyres?

Newton St Cyres History Group has an ever-growing library of publications. What better way to occupy your hours during this continued period of isolation and social distancing!

- **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 Cyres 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.

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Newton St Cyres Tennis Club

Our newly resurfaced courts and upgraded LED lighting opened for play again on 18th September. Our previous green and terracotta colour combination has been maintained, but reversed so the inner court is green, and the outer is terracotta. We have also reduced the gap between the two courts slightly, in order to give more space at the sides. We are very pleased with the results, especially now that we have an improved and extended clubhouse with changing room and toilet facilities. (although due to Covid this can currently only be used by one person at a time)

The latest Coronavirus restrictions allow organised and club sessions of more than six people, provided that all necessary precautions are taken. We have installed hand sanitiser on court and issued all members with rules for using the courts in a safe way.

Our winter membership is available now at a very competitive price of £55 for a single person from 1 October up to March 2021. Winter membership rates for families, students and retired people are also half the annual membership fee. Tennis is a good sport to play during these difficult times of Coronavirus, as it is outside and easy to maintain social distancing, and provides both exercise and social interaction. We run a number of club sessions during the week and on Sunday, and potential members can try a couple of sessions before committing to payment. All details can be found on our website:
www.newtonstcyres.co.uk.



Newton St Cyres Gardening Club

On a sad note, we have had to make the decision not to hold any meetings for the rest of the year, and we will see how life is in 2021! I am sure that you will all understand that, with the regulations changing so frequently and further restrictions likely, it was the only outcome.

September proved to be a month of changeable weather. We had some very autumnal days with chilly nights, and mornings with heavy dew on the grass, followed by an Indian Summer that was absolutely glorious.

On one of the cold mornings I went into the garden to admire all of the hard work of the spiders. Their webs in the early morning sunshine, with the dew on them were so amazing.

The Indian Summer that followed was very welcome and the intensity of the heat brought the garden to life again with autumn raspberries by the plateful!! The Met Office website says that “the exact origins of the phrase ‘Indian Summer’ are uncertain. Several writers have speculated it may originally have referred to a spell of warm, hazy autumn conditions that allowed Native American Indians to continue hunting.



The first recorded use of the phrase appears in a letter written by a Frenchman called John de Crevecoeur dated 17 January 1778. In his description of the Mohawk country, he writes: "Sometimes the rain is followed by an interval of calm and warm, which is called the Indian summer." "The term was first used in the UK in the early 19th century and went on to gain widespread usage. But the concept of a warm autumn spell was not new to the UK. Previously, variations of Saint Martin's summer were widely used across Europe to describe warm weather surrounding St Martin's Day (11 November)". "However, despite the basis of these phrases around particular dates, there is no statistical evidence to suggest that such warm spells recur at any particular time each year. Warm spells during the autumn months are not uncommon".

On a recent visit to RHS Rosemoor, during this period, I took the photo of the sarracenia plants. These plants, also known as Pitcher plants, are probably the easiest genus of carnivorous plant for a beginner to succeed with. They are

ideal in greenhouses, conservatories, sunny windowsills, and outdoors, where they make fantastic container or pond marginal plants. We purchased ours from Nigel Hewitt-Cooper at Taunton Flower Show a few years back, and they have been very interesting plants to grow. The key points that Nigel gives to successful growing are :-

Light: Full direct sun.

Temperature: During the summer months when the plants are in growth, they can tolerate extremely high temperatures. During the winter dormant period, most of the species die back to the rhizome to protect themselves from the cold. All species are cold tolerant and are completely hardy in the UK climate. The ideal place for these plants is therefore a sunny aspect for the growing season, and a cold position for the winter dormancy, either outside, or under cover in a greenhouse or by a garage window. As a rule of thumb they should start their winter dormancy on Halloween and end on Valentine's Day



Water: Rain or distilled/deionised water only. Stand in about 2-3 inches of water during the growing season (see above), and keep only damp over the dormant winter months when the growth dies back.

Compost: Moss peat and lime free horticultural sand, or moss peat and perlite, to a ratio of 1:1.

So why not give them a try?

Some Jobs in the garden for October include:-

- Dividing established rhubarb crowns to create new plants
- Cutting back perennials that have died down
- Dividing herbaceous perennials
- Collecting seeds from the garden to sow next year
- Renovating old lawns or creating new grass areas by laying turf

Happy Gardening!

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Newton Environmental Wellbeing Group

It's not always what we think it is

Good September weather is always a blessing, fortifying us for the winter ahead, and this year we have not been disappointed. As the agricultural cycle begins once again, I am enjoying walking through the fields that remain untilled. Below the oak trees along the boundaries, dry acorns make a satisfying crunch underfoot. Negotiating my way through the stubble, the tough little plants that flourish following harvest always catch my eye. Somehow these arable weeds manage to flower and set seed before they are disturbed: wild pansy, fumitory, speedwell, scarlet pimpernel, field geranium, rosebay willow-herb and field madder.

In the banks, the occasional red campion is having a last flurry, pushing up short flowering stems, together with the tireless cat's ear, providing late nectar for the insects. Ivy in my neighbour's hedge is flowering, releasing a honey scent as hungry wasps scramble over it.



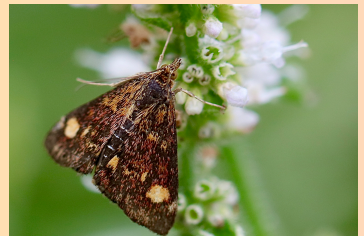
Wasp on ivy



White Plume Moth

The forest of maize in the field beyond our garden has reached two meters in height, obscuring our beloved view of the Raddon Hills. Harvest can't come soon enough for us. The only redeeming feature is that bindweed is cloaking the perimeter plants, providing food for the larvae of the White Plume Moth *Pterophorus pentadactyla*. I remember a time when we used to see these moths regularly, often on our kitchen windows at night, attracted by the lights. This photo was taken in June 2018 and I don't think I've seen one since, though it is encouraging to see evidence of the leaves being eaten.

One of the moths I have spotted in my garden is the small *Pyrausta aurata*. This one was enjoying the pineapple mint, a pretty, variegated plant that is not especially invasive, unlike its rampant relatives. Mint moths fly by day and night, and can also be found feeding on other members of the Labiate family: marjoram, thyme and lemon balm.



Mint Moth

A couple of glorious Jersey Tiger Moths *Euplagia quadripunctaria* have been resting on the render of our cottage in recent weeks, and feeding on buddleia and scabiosa caucasica in the garden. Often confused with the Garden Tiger, it is thought they are one of the winners of climate warming, which has enabled them to increase their range from



the Channel Islands to the southern counties of England, particularly south Devon and London. Jersey Tigers tend to be more active on sunny days, resting when the weather is dull.

Jersey Tiger Moth



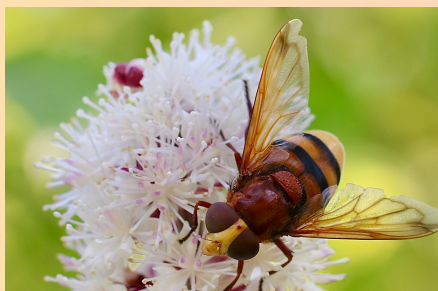
Nursery Web Spider

My herbaceous perennials are now sprawling over the paths, spent flower stems collapsing and leaves starting to senesce. It will soon be time for a tidy up. Asters, leycesteria formosa and some very vigorous anemones that I inherited from my mother-in-law are the focus of insect activity. On the dry stems of the astilbes, a mother Nursery Web Spider has woven a chiffon nest to cocoon her spiderlings, where she remains on guard. You wouldn't want to upset her.

The star of the show at this time of year is the *actaea racemosa purpurea* (aka *cimicifuga racemosa*). Originating in north and east America and a member of the buttercup family, this plant has roots that were used as a traditional medicine by Native Americans, hence its common name Black Snakeroot. Other common names are baneberry, bugbane and black cohosh, the latter being a popular herbal supplement.

The long, pale pink flowering spikes radiate a permeating, sweet fragrance. Supposedly, the *cimicifuga* flower repels aphids (in Latin, *cimex* = bug, *fugo* = flight) but since aphids aren't around this late in the summer, I haven't been able to verify this.

But there is one insect that loves this flower and that is *Volucella zonaria*, the Hornet Hoverfly. A migrant species, it arrived in the 1940's and is now common in southern counties, heading north as the climate warms. In spite of its large size (2cm) and its hornet-like appearance, *Volucella zonaria* does not have a sting. Rather, its markings serve to discourage potential predators, and enable the female to escape detection as she enters the nests of hornets and social wasps to lay her eggs. If that's not living dangerously, I'm not sure what is! Her larvae live as 'commensals', eating detritus in the central nesting chamber, but have no negative effects on the other occupants. It is also believed the larvae emit a calming pheromone that keeps them safe from attack.



Hornet Hoverfly

Later, the larvae emerge from the nest to pupate in the ground over winter. *Volucella zonaria* is a shy insect, and a challenge to photograph. Its large compound eyes spotted me at a distance of several meters, and a game of hide and seek ensued as it crawled round to the other side of the flower or flew away, returning when I had gone.

It's not just humans who can be confused by a creature's markings. Protective mimicry (aka Batesian mimicry) is common throughout the animal world, where possessing the appearance of a dangerous creature increases your chances of survival. If you look like you're capable of delivering a painful sting, you're less likely to become another creature's lunch.

Honey bee mimics *Eristalis tenax* are always around in my late summer garden. Also known as Drone Flies, they are important pollinators of flowers and food crops. Like *Volucella* these robust hoverflies have large, protruding eyes and not only look like honey bees, but imitate their flight and foraging behaviour. Unlike bees, they only have one pair of wings, and despite their imposing appearance, do not sting. Drone flies are territorial, and will chase away invaders of their chosen flowerbed. I was fascinated to read that their larvae are known as 'rat-tailed maggots', which develop in stagnant water, breathing through a long thin tube on their rear that acts as a snorkel.



Drone Fly

Another example of protective mimicry is the sawfly. A year ago, I came across this spotted larva curled up on my buddleia, which was identified as that of a Figwort Sawfly *Tenthredo scrophulariae*. This summer, I was pleased to see the adults. Sawflies get their name from the female's ability to use two tiny saws on her ovipositor to cut a slit in plant tissue in order to lay her eggs. But their common name belies their true identity, since they are not flies, but members of the Hymenoptera order, as are ants, wasps and bees. Despite its striking similarity to a wasp, the Figwort Sawfly does not have a sting, nor does it possess the wasp's pinched waist. Its conspicuous black and yellow stripes, usually indicative of danger, are only for show; in reality, it is a placid creature, feeding on nectar, pollen and small insects.

There are many species of sawfly, and the larvae of some can do considerable damage. But they are also an important prey item for birds, shrews and mice. A decline in their numbers can



Figwort Sawfly larva

have an impact on these species and others in the food chain. I shall bear this in mind the next time my fragrant pink shrub rose (bequeathed by my mother-in-law) is stripped bare of its foliage.



Figwort Sawfly]



OPEN GARDEN A HUGE SUCCESS

Unable to hold their annual Open Garden in May as usual Bert and Margaret Jewell hosted the event on Saturday 5th. September.

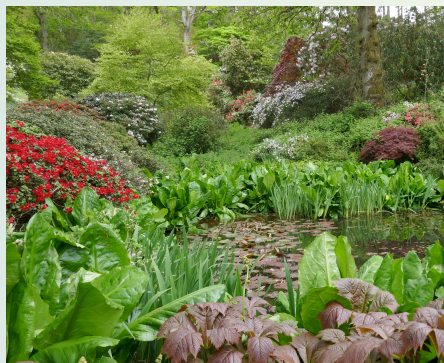
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Recipe for October

Apple flapjacks

100 g (4 oz butter),

25 g (1 oz)caster sugar

2 ½ tablespoons golden syrup

200g (8 oz) porridge oats

50 g (2 oz) grated apple

Cream the butter, sugar and golden syrup until soft then add the oats and grated apple. Spread the mixture into a lightly greased 20 cm (8”) tin and bake in a moderately hot oven until a rich golden brown. Allow to cool slightly and cut into 12 portions.



Paul Cleave

Heal the Healers Now

Time to give something back to our wonderful health workers

We have all appreciated the conscientious, selfless and dedicated work of those in the health services over the last few months, from the porters, cleaners and caterers to the nurses, paramedics and other medical specialists. They have been on the front line of the Covid-19 challenge, and they have had to perform regardless of their own personal situations and reservations, often in conditions of uncertainty, risk and lack of equipment and personal protection. Without their unstinting contributions, the outcomes for many of us would have been quite different. But this has come at a personal cost to many of them, increasing stress and anxiety and demanding long hours at work and little time at home.

These people deserve our unqualified gratitude, and our support in dealing with their personal fallout from the experience. To that end, the David Lynch Foundation has set up a new project, Heal the Healers Now, offering to any and all of them the effective programmes that it uses for stress management and PTSD. The training will be offered free of charge, or on a donation basis for high earners.

We need to raise the funds to cover the costs of this training, so we are inviting anybody who would like to express their appreciation in this way to donate to our page on the Just Giving website: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/HealtheHealersNow-DevonandExeter>. All monies donated to this page will be used only for funding this project here in Devon.



Anyone who wants to take advantage of this project and receive the training should contact Tom Griffith-Jones on 851939.

Further information: David Lynch Foundation UK <https://davidlynchfoundation.org.uk>

October on the Farm



NATURE

Yearling deer gambolled in my orchard, playing a mad game of tag. We thought they'd eaten some fallen apples and the fermentation went to their heads. The last of the fruit hangs fermenting on the trees and hedges, an aromatic ruin of this year's long warmth before the cold weather comes.

Our house is quieter without the chittering of the house martins, gone to Africa after raising a last late brood: how do the very young birds fare on that long journey? It is quieter too, without the riotous chorus of songbirds defending their territory while they raise their young. I saw a murmuration of starlings on telephone lines, intently discussing where to feed next. A little gang of sparrows made no song, just the flit of their stubby wings as they all took off to some new interest.

ARABLE

The crops are now all safely gathered in, maize harvest and the last of the rich autumn flush of grass fermenting under plastic sheet to exclude air. Plastic is useful to make the fermentation, and we gather it up through the winter to recycle it. In the old days, silage was fermented using a rotten top layer to exclude air, giving silage a bad reputation for smell and waste. It's part of a farmer's credentials now to have minimum waste: the cleaner your silage, the better the farmer you are.

We are just getting the winter crops in now, winter wheat, and oats. The idea is that winter crops yield better than spring crops because of that extra time in the ground. They also need tending for longer. This year's spring barley yielded really well this year, better than the winter crops, and for much less looking after. We'll keep some ground fallow to till in the spring, giving winter feed for foraging birds. We have put in some more grass and red clover to fields long in arable. They give an almost audible sigh of relief as the grass and clover roots work their magic in restoring organic matter to depleted arable soils. We have spread silt from the bottom of our slurry store across some of the arable fields: liquid gold (if deep brown). Arable farming is much kinder on the soil when crops cycle through animals and the residues get put back on the arable land: the perpetual motion machine that is sustainable farming!

COWS

It's joyful to see the growing heifers in the energising autumn breeze. I watched the whole group dash from one end of the field to the other. One laggard, who had been grazing and not noticed the fun, looked up, startled to see she was all on her own, and trotted after them trying to look nonchalant, 'I meant to make an entrance', rather than, 'I got left behind'.

I have the team of four young Angus bulls grazing the field in front of my house, where they have been all summer. Whenever I go out into my vegetable garden, they come over and investigate, sniffing inquisitively, friendly little cattle, completely black. I try not to think how delicious their offspring will be as I chat with them. There are three who stay close by and one who is always off to one side. Given they are such herd animals, it must be sad to be the one left out. They are best friends until they compete for the ladies, so good to keep them far from delectable lady aroma.

I had a visit from some Dartmoor farmers, and they referred to 'happy lines' on the flanks of the fresh calved cows. These lines show up on their coats when they are just so in the amount of fat cover under their skin. I loved them being called 'happy lines'. The fresh calved cows are enjoying the autumn flush on the pastures. This is the time of year when clover spreads strongly, giving a rich feed: not as much grass as in the spring, but higher in protein. Their milk is just coming up as they calve, to join the spring cows' milk, now too supported by the meteoric growth of rain on warm soil.

DAIRY

We have finally sold through the overstock resulting from our sales vastly reducing as deli counters and food service closed. Thanks to everyone who reached out and bought cheese from us, and welcome back restaurants and food service, we missed you, and love it that you're back. In the cheese dairy, we stopped making cheese for around 12 weeks because of covid, and are now back making cheese we hope to sell this time next year. It's lovely to see the milk back in the vat, the curd in the cooler, and the new cheeses, almost incandescent in their freshly-larded form, sitting in the nursery stores. This may not be the end of the outbreak, but it feels like it is the end of the beginning.

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RECIPE

Kate's Goat's Cheese Ice Cream. Kate created this stunning ice cream using Quicke's Hard Goat's Cheese: not too sweet, really interesting flavour to go with stewed fruit or crumble (cobbler). It is gorgeous with stewed quince: my tree loved the warm spring this year and produced more quince than I can make into quince paste; or use some of this year's rich apple harvest. It's also perfect with figs, ripening this month in my garden.

Ingredients

Double cream 236ml

Whole milk 473ml

Quicke's Goat's Cheese 112gm

Honey 60ml

X2 sprigs of fresh thyme

Method

Gently heat the milk, cream, honey and sprigs of thyme in a saucepan.

Once warm, add the finely grated Quicke's Goat's Cheese and stir over a low heat until dissolved.

Pour into a jug and cool

Take out the springs of thyme and pour into ice cream maker.

Freeze.

Take out of freezer for a few minutes before spooning, so soft to scoop.

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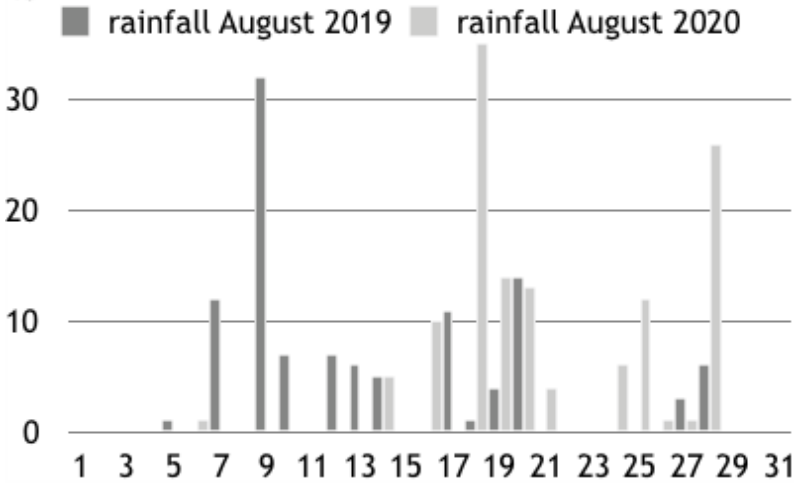
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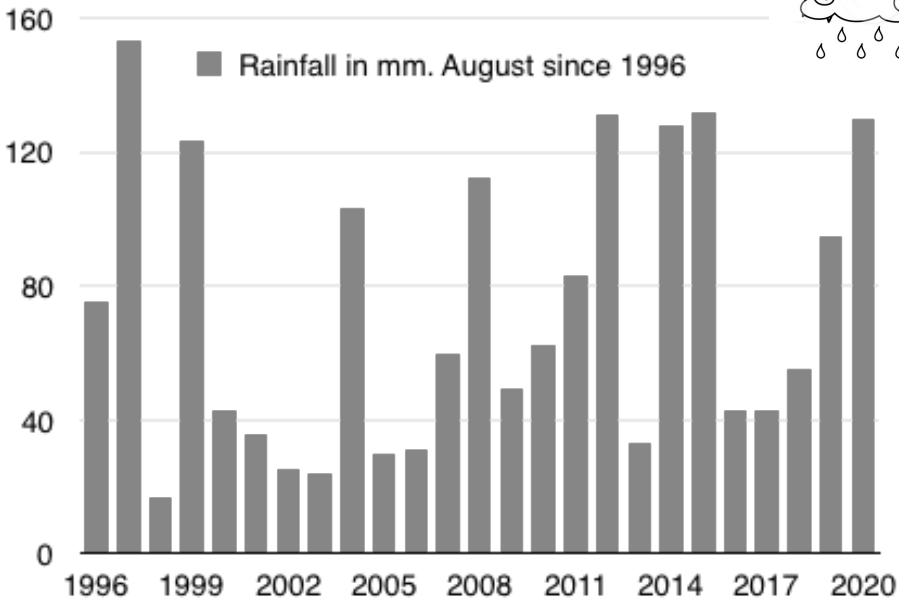


The Weather

in Newton St Cyres



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09:30 am	Holy Communion	[C]	Newton St Cyres	KC
05:00 pm	Afternoon Worship		Zoom/Telephone Service#	

.The locations for Holy Communion services on the second and third Sundays of each month will rotate between Cadbury, Rewe, Stoke Canon & Upton Pyne churches but these have not been decided upon for October. Please continue to check our website at www.netherexe.org and details of locations for 11 & 18 October will be posted to the "Please Note" section of the home page in due course.

Afternoon Worship will continue by Zoom and telephone at 5:00 pm.

To join by telephone: **Ring 0203 481 5237**

For Zoom: Meeting ID 960 5149 8892#
Password 591980

or to join by **Zoom**, click the link on your computer:

<https://zoom.us/j/96051498892?pwd=dno0R05teVpFa1NmRWpxaHBjZ0prZz09>

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Private Prayer at Newton St Cyres Church.

From October, there is a change of day and time

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The Lady Chapel is the area open for prayer.

The value of friends

Lately, I have been thinking a lot about friendships. I have been very lucky in my life to have some super friends; in particular through working relationships, fantastic annual group skiing holidays and, later, through village life. Many of those friends from decades ago have stayed in contact with me and, although we may not meet often, when we do see each other, the passing of time has made no difference.

I suppose my experiences have been slightly different to many in that most of my close friends have been male. Some people have been perplexed by this but it has always seemed to be perfectly normal to me! These have been totally platonic relationships and, throughout the years, a lot of fun.

Friends are good for your health and it is never too late to form a new friendship. Friends prevent loneliness and give you the chance to offer needed companionship as well. Friends are great at celebrating good times with you and invaluable as support in times of difficulty. They can help improve happiness and self-confidence, and encourage you in new ventures and when you are feeling sad and low.

Best of all, it works both ways!

Adults with strong social support apparently have a reduced risk of many significant health problems, including depression and high blood pressure. Studies have even found that older adults with a rich social life are likely to live longer than their peers with fewer connections. And, of course, children with 'nice' friends are happy children.

It is often very difficult to form new friendships but everybody has an interest and there are many groups to join, often in our own villages. It's a great place to start.

If you can go a bit further afield, you can meet up with a walking group, join a choir, a lunch group, exercise group – so many different things! And if you can't go out much, perhaps someone can come to you for a coffee and chat. Don't be afraid to ask!

The Old Testament book of Proverbs (a 'wisdom' book) is full of lovely quotes about friendship. There are some beautiful verses:

The heartfelt counsel of a friend is as sweet as perfume and incense. – Proverbs ch27, v9 (NLT)

Friends love through all kinds of weather, and families stick together in all kinds of trouble. – Proverbs ch17, v17 (The Message)

Friends come and friends go, but a true friend sticks by you like family. – Proverbs ch18, v24 (The Message)

Remember, it's never too late to build new friendships or reconnect with old friends. Investing time in making friends and strengthening your friendships can pay off in better health and a brighter outlook for years to come.

During this strange year, many more people than usual across the world have lost family members and friends sooner than they should have. It has made us all more aware of our mortality and of those that we love. So, don't hesitate to tell them how much they mean to you. There is no point in keeping it to yourself and wishing you had said it when you could have.

Above all, be kind, be a good listener and try to always be ready with a smile.

Helen Stephan
Rewe with Netherexe

Annual Meetings for your Parish 2020

The Meeting of Parishioners elects the churchwardens of the parish. It is open to:

- (i) all residents of the parish who are listed as such on a register of local government electors, and
- (ii) non-residents whose names are on the Church Electoral Roll for the parish.

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

Brampford Speke: Monday 5 October 7:00 pm Zoom Meeting.

Please contact Katie Cross on Katie.cross@netherexe.org for details.

Cadbury: Wednesday 14 October 6:00 pm
Cadbury Church

Newton St Cyres: Thursday 15 October 2:00 pm
Newton St Cyres Church

Poltimore: Wednesday 30 September 6:00 pm
Poltimore Church

Rewe & Netherexe: Tuesday 29 September 6:00 pm
Rewe Church

Stoke Canon with Huxham: Monday 12 October 7:00 pm
Stoke Canon Church

Thorverton: Tuesday 6 October 7:30 pm
Thorverton Church

Upton Pyne: Thursday 8 October 10:00 am
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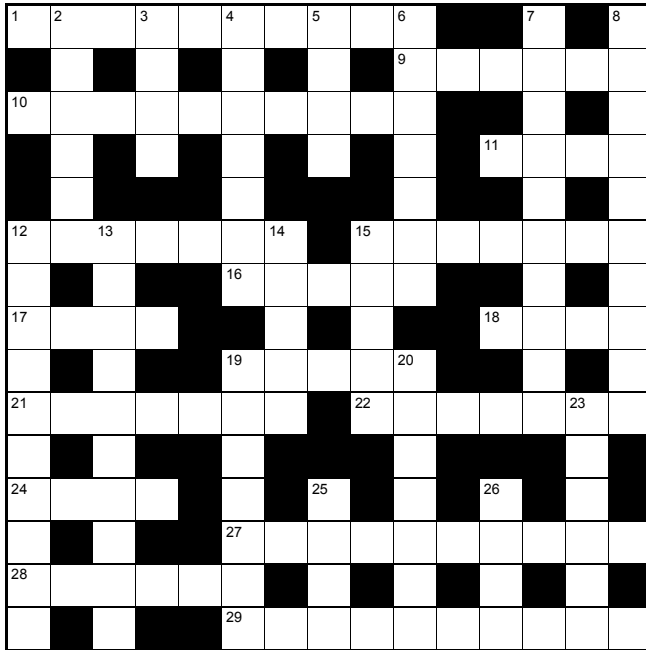
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Cryptic Crossword



ACROSS

- 1 Drunken sot samples purgative medicine (5,5)
- 9 Caribbean island also conceals British silver (6)
- 10 Abandoned footballer in red (4-6)
- 11 Worker fellow makes complaint (4)
- 12 Rod gets crazy about one person serving drinks (7)
- 15 Lose heart when praised, surprisingly (7)
- 16 Handed student a hammer (5)
- 17 Some wonder if flute will provide repeated musical phrase (4)
- 18 School requires memo to be sent back (4)
- 19 Nobleman keeps time for him (5)
- 21 Attendant scattered waste on road (7)
- 22 Contrition shown by note to detective (7)
- 24 Not at home with a course (4)
- 27 Attest fare is outstanding – this may remain? (10)
- 28 Louis Gossett initially upset another actor (6)
- 29 Copper robs me twice – could be awkward (10)

DOWN

- 2 Father Fitzgerald provides Spanish dish (6)
- 3 Nannies missing last bit of Lightning Seeds (4)
- 4 Son hid gin after organising lively party (7)
- 5 Returning, I left theatre box (4)
- 6 Daughter in Ulster cooked pastry (7)
- 7 Man works mostly as criminal (10)
- 8 Concern involved with fee for meeting (10)
- 12 Store plates perhaps in Devon town (10)
- 13 Thoroughly search mountains for a place for shooting practice (5,5)
- 14 Went out with someone old-fashioned (5)
- 15 Freed lunatic, causing delay (5)
- 19 Professional's backing US spies – that's commonplace (7)
- 20 Substitute's aloofness (7)
- 23 Part of embassy's temporary organisation (6)
- 25 I came across uplifting article (4)
- 26 At least 48 hours in stupor, we hear (4)

Set by Alberich

Sudoku

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

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Solution to the September 2020 Cryptic Crossword

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