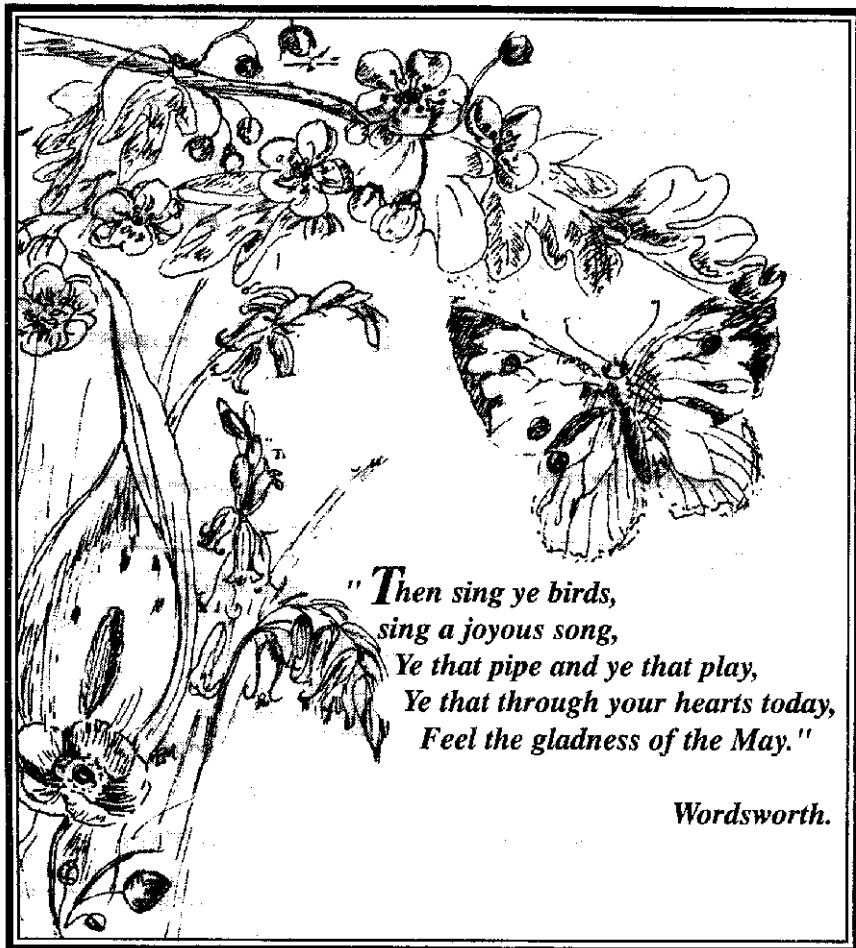


THE  
**ROUNDAABOUT**  
CHURCH AND COMMUNITY MAGAZINE



*" Then sing ye birds,  
sing a joyous song,  
Ye that pipe and ye that play,  
Ye that through your hearts today,  
Feel the gladness of the May."*

*Wordsworth.*

**MAY 2023**

## PARISHES OF PILTON, CROSCOMBE, NORTH WOOTTON AND DINDER

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## RECTOR'S RAMBLES

This month we celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III, an event that will be full of pomp and circumstance, steeped in history and imagery. An event that our own Bishop will be taking part in; it is his privilege (and maybe terror), along with the Bishop of Durham, to act as Bishops Assistants and to stand either side of the King throughout parts of the ceremony. This practice began in 973 at the Coronation of King Edgar and has apparently happened at each Coronation since Richard I in 1189. King Charles is also the head of our Church so bells will be ringing out in celebration throughout the land, and we will be marking the event in our services.

Whether you will be watching the Coronation or not, it is also another chance to have a celebration of our local community; you will find details of many of the local events in this magazine or on various Facebook pages. Many are free, so do come and join in.

The weekend also celebrates all the volunteers who help in so many communities throughout the country (and to recruit more where needed). When you look at the number of volunteers in each of our villages it is astonishing how many people are happy to give up their time on our behalf to ensure things happen. I would like to give a huge thank you to all of them, especially everyone who is involved in helping at the local churches. Maybe it is something you would like to consider getting involved in, from tidying our villages to putting on events, every village is always looking for new volunteers to help. The Big Help website reminds us "No matter what you are good at, there'll be something to suit helping hands of all shapes and sizes! From checking in on someone who'd like a bit of company or volunteering for a charity, the more of us who join in, the bigger help we will be."

Back to the Coronation, we will also be marking the day by saying special prayers and here is one for us to share together:

Blessed are you, Lord Jesus,  
for as you were sent by the Father, so you send us.  
Equip Charles our King and all your people  
with the gifts to fulfil our calling,  
that we may love as you loved,  
serve as you served,  
and willingly follow wherever you lead. Amen.

*Rev. Chris*

## PRAYER FOCUS

As King Charles prepares for his coronation, we pray for him and his family as they face their new roles. We thank God for Charles' faith and his love for all people and the world. May God strengthen his spirit and give him wisdom and discernment to meet the challenges he will meet during his reign and may we all work together with him to enable a world of justice, fairness, and harmony to flourish.

## **PSALMS**

The psalms that can be read on Sundays in May are:

7 <sup>th</sup> May	Psalm 31: 1-5
14 <sup>th</sup> May	Psalm 66: 7-end
21 <sup>st</sup> May	Psalm 68: 1-10
28 <sup>th</sup> May	Psalm 104: 26-end

## **BIBLE READINGS**

7 <sup>th</sup> May	Acts 7: 55-end	John 14: 1-14
14 <sup>th</sup> May	Acts 17: 22-31	John 14: 15-21
21 <sup>st</sup> May	Acts 1: 6-14	John 17: 1-11
28 <sup>th</sup> May	Acts 2: 1-21	John 7: 37-39

## **BENEFACTURE STUDY GROUP**

Fortnightly Monday at 10.30am: Our Benefice Study Group meets in North Wootton at the home of Tim and Felicity Wotton.

**PUZZLING QUESTIONS GROUP**, the next meeting will be in the New Room Coffee Shop, Pilton on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May at 2.30pm.

## **ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETINGS**

Our APCM meetings continue in May. One of the things we will be discussing is our new deanery plan which may result in some changes for our parishes in the future, so do come along if you would like to be involved in those discussions:

**North Wootton** Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May after the 11.00am service, in the Village Hall and followed by a shared lunch.

**Dinder** Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 3.30pm in the Church.

## ABOUT PEOPLE

We welcome new people to our villages and hope that you settle happily in your new homes and that you will soon be able to enjoy the groups and events that make up village life and help you to be part of life here.

We send our good wishes and prayers to anyone who is unwell whether you are at home or in hospital. We remember those receiving treatment, those awaiting the results of tests and the families and friends who care for needy people.

## Funerals and Deaths

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family and friends of **Bert Coombes** whose funeral took place in St Peter's Church, North Wootton on 4<sup>th</sup> April.



## **CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 14<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> May**

Christian Aid provides humanitarian relief and long-term development support to some of the less developed countries. This year the focus is on Malawi and supporting women to help to grow crops to provide for their families and enable them to pay for their children's education and medical help.

There are three events in our villages which we hope that you will support.

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May** - Coffee morning 10.30am – 12.30 pm  
at the home of Jan Hodge, 1 Poundfield, **Croscombe**

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May** - Cream teas from 3.00pm  
at **North Wootton** Village Hall

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May** - Coffee evening from 7.00pm  
at the home of Ruth Eavis, Hazelmount, **Pilton**

We are always looking for people willing to collect during Christian Aid Week and if you feel you are able to help, please contact Hilary Austin on 890561.

## WHAT'S ON IN PILTON

### May

1 <sup>st</sup> Jumble Trail	11.00am – 3.00pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> Happy Circle, The Club	2.15pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall	7.30pm
6 <sup>th</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup> Coronation Celebrations (see page7)	
9 <sup>th</sup> Puzzling Questions Group, New Coffee Room	2.30pm
11 <sup>th</sup> Annual Parish Meeting, Village Hall	7.00pm
15 <sup>th</sup> History Group, Village Hall	7.30pm
“Date a Historic Structure, but Never Marry: Living with and understanding older and listed buildings”	
17 <sup>th</sup> Happy Circle, The Club	2.15pm
17 <sup>th</sup> Glastonbury Festival Meeting, Village Hall with residents and Parish Council	6.00pm
22 <sup>nd</sup> Christian Aid Coffee Evening, Hazelmount the home of Ruth Eavis	7.00pm

## THE GRAND ANNUAL PILTON JUMBLE TRAIL BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY MAY 1<sup>st</sup> 11.00am – 3.00pm

The Jumble Trail is back for 2023, hopefully bigger and better than ever. Please note that both the Crown Inn AND the Club will be open and part of the fun on the day.

Enquiries to [john.shearlaw@glastonburyfestivals.co.uk](mailto:john.shearlaw@glastonburyfestivals.co.uk) or ring 07748 353919.

*John Shearlaw*

## PILTON JUMBLE TRAIL – Monday May 1<sup>st</sup> BHOPAL MEDICAL APPEAL

We will be having our usual stall on Pylle Road for the village Jumble Trail in May, so please start thinking about making generous donations! This is to raise funds for the BMA clinics, who are still helping people affected by the appalling Union Carbide gas disaster in India some 38 years ago.

Please contact either Fiona (899125) or Jenny (890465). Preferably boxed or bagged up items, please: they'll be stored at the latter premises.

*Fiona Case*



**PILTON PLAYING FIELD  
FREE EVENTS**

**SATURDAY 6<sup>th</sup> MAY**

**TREASURE TRAIL\***

**4.30 – 6.00pm TEAS,  
COFFEE & CAKES**

**FREE children's picnic\* & activities**

**\*Register by 4<sup>th</sup> May, see Facebook for details**

**PLANT STALL** in aid of Disasters Emergency Committee

Plant donations welcome to Jo Leworthy 07938 675351

**OPTIONAL FANCY DRESS - KINGS & QUEENS** for ALL ages

**CASH BAR**

**6.00 – 7.00pm PILTON PLAYERS' CORONATION CAPERS**

**7.00 - 9.00pm DENELA'S HOG ROAST** (pay cash or card)

**7.00 pm SIDETRACKS BAND** - 60s & 70s harmony folk rock and blues

**9.00 – 11.00pm IMMENSE DJs**

**SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> MAY**

**11.00am CORONATION CELEBRATION SERVICE**

for all ages in the marquee, with participation of *Village Voices*

from 12.00pm **THE BIG LUNCH**

**PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN PICNIC**

Tables & chairs provided in marquee

**2.00 – 4.00pm 'DRAG' FOOTBALL MATCH** as staged in 1953

Dress UP and get your teams together (please contact Andy Reilly  
07734 706257)



## PILTON VILLAGE HISTORY GROUP

Our next meeting will be on the third Monday of the month, **15<sup>th</sup> May, at 7.30pm** in Pilton Village Hall, because of the extra Coronation Public Holiday! We are delighted to welcome David Lawson, to give us what promises to be a very interesting talk

entitled **"Date a Historic Structure, but Never Marry - living with and understanding older and listed buildings"** with special mention of some of Pilton's own listed buildings...

A bit about David... 'I have worked in the construction industry for 54 years and was the Construction Director of a National Builder, looking after major historic buildings in the City of London. I set up my own Heritage Construction company in 1992, when we moved down to Barton St. David, Somerset. Even though I am now retired, I still work occasionally on Heritage Projects, but now more as an expert or advisor. For the last 25 years we have split our time (Brexit willing) between Somerset and Italy, where we have an ancient farmhouse with olives and vineyard. I also have a passion for skiing, racing old sports and racing cars and the fine things of life.'

The talk will also hopefully be on Zoom and recorded – contact [piltonvillagehistorygroup@gmail.com](mailto:piltonvillagehistorygroup@gmail.com) or 89037 for details.

All Welcome – Members free, Visitors £2 Refreshments afterwards.

*Chris King, [piltonvillagehistorygroup@gmail.com](mailto:piltonvillagehistorygroup@gmail.com)*

## PILTON UKULELE GROUP

Each person needs to have their own ukulele, a music-stand and a tuner. We meet **every Thursday evening** at The New Room Coffee Shop on Top Street and a small donation to cover the hire of the room is required. Contact [piltonukulelegroup@gmail.com](mailto:piltonukulelegroup@gmail.com) for more information.

*Dan Climo*

## USED POSTAGE STAMPS



I am collecting used stamps for the British Hedgehog Preservation Society so if you have any, they can be dropped off at Meadow Lea, Shutwell Lane, Pilton BA4 4DY. Thank you in advance.

*Felicity Samuels*



## **PILTON PARISH COUNCIL**

It is the **Annual Parish Meeting** time, when residents and community groups of the parish share what they have achieved over the last year and discuss what they hope to achieve for the future. A booklet will be available of reports from community groups.

It will be hosted by the Chair of Pilton Parish Council at **Pilton Village Hall from 7pm on Thursday 11 May**. Refreshments will be available.

This year Council plans to conduct a community review to survey what parishioners may want to see happen in the parish over the coming years. The Parish Meeting will be the starting point where people may like to discuss topics such as:

highways issues; conserving the environment; climate change mitigation measures; living sustainably; public transport; community initiatives and facilities and, we are sure, many others.

A Steering Group will be formed to define the topic areas of the survey. Anyone from the parish can join the Steering Group and we would like to hear from you if you would like to be involved. An Action Plan will be drawn up and the Parish Plan document developed and published.

Most importantly – this is your, the community's plan. It will help guide the council in what the majority of residents want.

We look forward to seeing you at the Parish Meeting.

[clerk@piltonparish.org](mailto:clerk@piltonparish.org)

**GLASTONBURY FESTIVAL OF CONTEMPORARY PERFORMING ARTS LTD** will be meeting with Pilton Parish Residents and Pilton Parish Council at Pilton Village Hall on **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May** at 6.00pm.

There will be a designated part of the meeting for residents to comment and/or ask questions to GFEL, Police and Somerset Council.

There will be an opportunity for residents to speak during the meeting and we request that points are made succinctly and not repeated so that as many people as possible can participate within the meeting. There will be opportunities after the meeting to expand on issues with the Village Manager and GFEL team.

Outside of the Resident section public participation will be at the Chairman's discretion.

*Hannah Russell-Yarde, Licensing Team*

## THE PILTON 200 CLUB, PILTON VILLAGE HALL TRUST

Subscribers pay **£12** per annual ticket, for 12 consecutive draws, drawn each month at the Pilton Village Hall Trustee meeting. Subscriptions run from January to December. Participants can join any time of the year and subscription cost will reflect how many draws are left until December. Subscribers can purchase as many annual tickets as they wish to increase their winning odds. Tickets can be purchased in cash or via bank transfer. Cash purchases will receive a receipt.

Each month there will be three winners: 1st prize of £30, 2nd prize of £10, and 3rd prize of £5. The winners will be on the Pilton Village Hall Trust Website and in the Roundabout Magazine. Prizes will be paid out in cash with a receipt.

Join in with the Pilton Village Hall 200 Club to raise money and feel good, with a chance to win a cash prize each month

To find out more, please get in touch with Audrey Tel : 07460 761870 or

E-mail : [moulderterry@aol.com](mailto:moulderterry@aol.com)

### The Pilton 200 Club Draw, 2023

**January** 1<sup>st</sup> John Broxup 2<sup>nd</sup> Lynda Allen 3<sup>rd</sup> Gill Eavis

**February** 1<sup>st</sup> Claire Rose 2<sup>nd</sup> John Broxup 3<sup>rd</sup> Steve Ladyman

**March** 1<sup>st</sup> Dee Knobs 2<sup>nd</sup> Carrie Hemmings 3<sup>rd</sup> Mandy Rossiter

**April** 1<sup>st</sup> Pat Rogers 2<sup>nd</sup> Alan Ayres 3<sup>rd</sup> Kelly Sumner

**Citizens Advice Mendip** calls for more volunteers to help in the cost-of-living crisis

The charity is looking mainly for volunteer Advisers to handle incoming calls on its Adviceline. No experience is necessary as full training will be provided, but basic IT skills are essential. Above all it requires a non-judgemental attitude and a desire to empower local people who need help. Trainee volunteers will be expected to successfully complete self-study modules, supplemented by online sessions with a supervisor, and to commit to a minimum of two half-day sessions a week.

<https://www.citizensadvicemendip.org.uk/volunteer.html>

**Bath and West Community Energy** are a not-for-profit community benefit organisation who develop community owned renewable energy projects.

For more details see [flexcommunity@bwce.coop](mailto:flexcommunity@bwce.coop) or call Julia on 07784 144439

## **PILTON SHOW**

Stallholders list will be confirmed in June, ready for your kind donations, but please start thinking about and planning your entries for the Flower Show: schedule available now on [www.piltonflowershow.org.uk](http://www.piltonflowershow.org.uk) and in the Pilton Co-op, and the New Room Coffee Shop. Pretty soon we will be adding more info. to the website, including the recipe for the cake to enter in the Home Produce section, to give you lots of time to practise, and lots of tasting opportunities. Watch this space...

As the swallows start arriving here, Saturday afternoon's main entertainment by the Pirates of the Carabina, the PIRATE TAXI, tells of their journey in a combination of music, humour and aerial performance. Fun for all ages!

### **PILTON SCARECROW TRAIL**

A reminder to start thinking about making scarecrows on the theme of FAIRY TALES!

Entry forms and information will be given in early July, with closing date for entries 7<sup>th</sup> August. Scarecrows to be displayed around the village between 20<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> August, prior to taking them to the Playing Field on 2<sup>nd</sup> September for Pilton Show. Further details to follow.

## **PILTON HAPPY CIRCLE**

Bingo with Audrey and Terry caused the usual hilarity. 'House' was called, prizes were shared and occasionally silence reigned until tea and biscuits encouraged the usual chatter. Thanks to Terry and Audrey, as ever, for the entertainment.

Claire Axten brought us a selection of photographs taken on a visit to Rajasthan. The diversity of livelihoods and living conditions shown was amazing, some hotels had been Maharaja's palaces so very different from homes in the villages. There were horse drawn wagons, very dented cars, 5 on a moped, air conditioned coaches, lorries and, of course, Tuk-tuks often on the same street. A busy market had a road running through it, wonderful produce mixed with danger. The photos of the Taj Mahal were very atmospheric as Claire had arrived at dawn and the marble changed colour as the sun rose. That experience of peace and beauty could not have been more different than the festival of Holi where children armed with water blasters and powder paint made sure all visitors went home multicoloured. Thank you, Claire, for sharing your experience of a very different way of life.

*Liz Elkin*

## SMALL ADS

**Daniel's garden maintenance.** Lawns cut, seeded, turfed. Hedges cut, garden clearance, Patio-laying, jet-washing, fencing plus fence painting. Weeding. Call Daniel 672832 or 07936583986

**Daniel's property maintenance** Roof repairs. Gutters cleaned, repaired and renewed. Interior and exterior painting and much more. Call Reg 672832 mob 07518116140

**Give your garden a treat. 2-year-old well-rotted horse manure** sold by sack or load. 100% organic. Contact 890582

**Chimney Clean:** Chimney sweep, clean and efficient service est. 1985. Please ring Colin on 07596 534861

**West Country Gardening and Landscape Services** for all types of tree, hedge, shrub and garden work. We also do one off garden tidying. Licensed waste carrier. 01458 210237. 07961 986871

**Dry Stone Walling** by Giacomo – do you have a stone wall that needs repair or rebuilding? Please call 07759 477660 for a quote

**Piano Tuition** Ex music examiner welcomes all ages and grades (incl. diploma) for lessons in Pilton. Call Barbara Murray on 07799 383546 or 890193

**Oriental carpets and decorative items** from Central Asia and India, Manor House Barn, West Compton. Open by appointment 890 582 [www.sandysorientalcarpets.co.uk](http://www.sandysorientalcarpets.co.uk)

**HandyMatt** Property maintenance, repairs and improvements including plumbing and electrical works. Call Matt or Kelly for a quote 890683, 07931 509104 or 07753 265879.

**Fully qualified domestic/personal carer available.** References on request. Call Mel, 07565 760361.

**2 Single sleeping bags.** Very good condition. £7.50 each. Collect Croscombe Contact: 343642

**For Sale - £20.** Good quality wooden (balau hardwood) sun lounger. Adjustable back and knee rests, wheels for manoeuvrability. Length 2.1m, width 0.7m. Has some weathering, but has been little used. Cushion included. 07831 851062 (Top Street, Pilton).

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## VILLAGE VENUES

The Crown, Pilton, 890300, [info@thecrownpilton.com](mailto:info@thecrownpilton.com)

Pilton Club, 890162, [www.piltonclub.com](http://www.piltonclub.com) [piltonvh@gmail.com](mailto:piltonvh@gmail.com)

Pilton Community Coffee Shop, Top Street, BA4 4DU

Pilton Village Hall, 890162, [piltonvh@gmail.com](mailto:piltonvh@gmail.com)

Pilton Playing Field Pavilion, 899125

The George Inn, Croscombe, 342306, [www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk](http://www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk)  
mobile: 07892 699297

The Cross, Croscombe, 343352, [www.cross-croscombe.co.uk](http://www.cross-croscombe.co.uk)

Croscombe Village Hall, [www.croscombevillagehall.org.uk](http://www.croscombevillagehall.org.uk)  
346445 (9-5 Mon-Fri)

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## PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITES

[www.piltonparishcouncil.org](http://www.piltonparishcouncil.org)  
[www.croscombeparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.croscombeparishcouncil.co.uk)



### **The Arts Society Mendip (Live and online)**

2<sup>nd</sup> May. '*A brief History of Western Bookbinding*'. Caroline Bendix will describe the practicalities and how the decoration and structure of books have changed over centuries. At 11.00am, in Croscombe Village Hall (and simultaneously via Zoom - links will be sent to all members). Guests welcome for a fee of £6. Full programme available on our website; [www.theartssocietymendip.org.uk](http://www.theartssocietymendip.org.uk)

## WHAT'S ON IN CROSCOMBE

### MAY

- 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> Sequence Dancing, Village Hall 8.00pm
- 6<sup>th</sup> Live Screening of the Coronation of King Charles III.  
Village Hall 10.00am-1.30pm
- 7<sup>th</sup> Coronation Picnic, Community Orchard, Thrupe Lane.  
From 3.00pm
- 9<sup>th</sup> Women's Group Milton Lodge Gardens See notice on page15)
- 13<sup>th</sup> Christian Aid Coffee Morning. 1, Poundfold  
(the home of Paul and Jan Hodge) 10.30am- 12.30pm
- 15<sup>th</sup> Film Night "A Man called Otto" Village Hall (15) 7.00 for 7.30pm
- 18<sup>th</sup> Senior Citizens' Club Afternoon Tea at The Cross 2.00pm
- 18<sup>th</sup> Parish Council Meeting Church Room 7.00pm
- 20<sup>th</sup> Croscombe Village Orchestra Concert. Village Hall 7.00pm



### CROSCOMBE BELLS FOR THE CORONATION

The Croscombe ringers have decided to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III by attempting a Quarter Peal. Consequently, Croscombe bells will be ringing on the morning of Coronation Day, Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup>, between 09:30 and 10:30am.

### CROSCOMBE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

Would like to invite all villagers to **the Live Screening of the Coronation of King Charles III on May 6<sup>th</sup>**. From 10.00-13.00ish. The ceremony starts at 11.00am so we would like you to be seated by then. This will include a Free Brunch / sandwiches/ cream tea with a vegetarian option. Buck's Fizz and beverages.  
Looking forward to seeing you All.

#### **100 club winners**

January £25 H Sleep £15 A Hodges

February £25 R Speed £15 G Johnson.

March £25 A Ollis £15 K Egan

April £25 M McCarthy £15 R Cronin.

*Sheila Wilkins* Chairman

## **CROSCOMBE VILLAGE HALL FILM NIGHT**

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May** "A MAN CALLED OTTO" cert 15.

Based on the comical and moving no 1 New York Times bestseller.

The story tells of Otto Anderson (Tom Hanks) a grumpy widower who is very set in his ways.

Doors open 7.00pm for 7.30pm start. Village Hall

Admission £7.00, Bar available

## **CROSCOMBE SENIOR CITIZENS' CLUB**

Our May meeting on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May is to be an Afternoon Tea at the Cross at 2.00pm.

*Lyn Manvill 343833*

## **CROSCOMBE VILLAGE ORCHESTRA**

Our May concert is on **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May at 7.00 pm** in Croscombe Village Hall.

The programme has something for everyone. It includes Mozart's Clarinet Concerto, Delius' The Walk in Paradise Gardens, Fantasia on Greensleeves by Vaughan Williams, Haydn's Sonfonia No.37 and William Walton's Crown Imperial. It is a lovely programme for a lovely month.

Our soloist is Caroline Blyth who now plays with the Mid Somerset Orchestra.

Entry is by programme at the door, adults £6, under 14s £2 including refreshments.

Come and join us for what promises to be a delightful evening.

*Jo Sackett, Secretary.*

## **CROSCOMBE WOMEN'S GROUP**

Disappointingly, because of the weather on April 11<sup>th</sup>, we had to forgo our planned visit to Milton Lodge Gardens that day, but have booked Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> instead. We have been assured that the gardens will still be looking lovely then. Entry will be £5, delicious home-made cakes and tea extra. There is also a plant store. You do not have to belong to our women's group to go. If you have no transport, please let me know on 345226 and I will ring around.

*Barbara Lippett*



## **SEQUENCE DANCING**

We meet on Tuesdays at 8.00pm in Croscombe Village Hall. Any new members will be more than welcome. If you do not know how to sequence dance, we will be more than happy to teach you. Please come and join us.

*Contact Lyn Manvill 343833*

## **WHAT'S ON IN DINDER AND DULCOTE**

**May**

14<sup>th</sup> APCM, St Michael's Church

3.30pm

### **DINDER TREE PLANTING AND BIRD BOX DAY**

Dinder residents, adults and children, have planted new trees in the Children's Wood by the playground - rowan, crab apple, and maples of a species called Autumn Blaze, *acer freemanii*, which the Royal Horticultural Society describes as 'a fast-growing large tree with a dense oval head and deeply cut foliage, turning bright orange-red in autumn'. Sounds good!

The children also made nine nesting boxes for birds such as robins, spotted flycatchers and great tits. These will be put up along the bridleway through Peace Plantation towards Lyatt, where everyone can see them.

Special thanks to Oli Frost for organising the event and helping with everything on the day.

*Christopher Somerville*

## **FOSSEWAY GARDENING CLUB PLANT SALE**

Our Annual Plant Sale is on **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May**

10.00am – 12.00noon

at **Ditcheat Village Hall**. BA4 6RB.

There will be a wide variety of plants to choose from at reasonable prices. Please come along and support us. Contact Jill for more information on 07772008594.





## WEST PENNARD PRIMARY SCHOOL

In the lead up to Easter, our 45-strong school choir visited Wells Cathedral and sang in a large-scale piece that celebrated the music of British monarchs over the centuries. It was a wonderful piece to be performing, especially with the Coronation of King Charles III coming in May. The choir did a wonderful job, following a long day rehearsing. It was a fantastic opportunity to be part of and to watch other professionals in such an inspiring location.

We had a lovely Easter Service, led by our wonderful Year 5 children, with involvement from some of the members of the choir. As always, despite the weather, the sunlight broke through and illuminated St Nicholas' Church as the children sang, getting us ready for Easter. A real highlight for me was listening to the children's rendition of 'I'm a Spring Chicken' – I think it will be going through my head for some weeks to come, as will the image of some boogying KS1 children to the chorus. A great many thanks to them and to Revd Chris Hopkins. On the final day of term, we had our Easter hat parade. There were such 'eggcellent' designs, with almost every child in the school having made one to bring in to show.

*Tony Wheat, Headteacher*

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## **PILTON METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES**

7<sup>th</sup> May Village Coronation Celebration Service,  
**Pilton Playing Field at 11.00am**

14<sup>th</sup> May Jacqueline Cobb

21<sup>st</sup> May Chapel Anniversary  
Revd David Musgrave

28<sup>th</sup> May Anna Schiffer

All services at the Chapel at 10.30am, followed by Tea/Coffee

## PARISH CHURCH SERVICES

### May 2023

<b>7<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Easter 5</b>	
11.00am	Village Coronation Celebration Service Pilton Playing Field	Pilton
2.00pm	Coronation Celebration Service	North Wootton
<b>14<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Easter 6</b>	
9.30am	Holy Communion	Pilton
11.00am	Holy Communion	Croscombe
11.00am	Holy Communion	North Wootton
3.30pm	APCM	Dinder
<b>21<sup>st</sup> May</b>	<b>Easter 7</b>	
9.30am	Holy Communion	North Wootton
10.30am	PCWT Chapel Anniversary Service at the Methodist Church	Pilton
11.00am	Holy Communion	Dinder
<b>28<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Pentecost</b>	
9.30am	Holy Communion	Pilton
11.00am	Holy Communion	Croscombe
11.00am	Morning Service	North Wootton
<b>4<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Trinity</b>	
<b>10.30am</b>	Benefice Holy Communion	Croscombe

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