

# ***Haldon Views***

Bi-Monthly FREE NEWSLETTER for the Parish of Kenn

## **August –September 2021**

### **What's On?**

**Haldon Views was sent to the printers in July so please check any dates/times you read in this edition.**

**August**    ***Service at St Andrew's*** 10am Sunday 1 August  
***Service at St Andrew's*** 10am Sunday 15 August  
***United Service at St Andrew's*** 10am Sunday 29 August

### **September**

***WI Great Potato Weigh In*** at 6pm Friday 3 September  
***Kenn Community Get Together*** Saturday 18 September 2pm  
***WI Meeting*** at the Kenn Centre Tuesday 21 September  
***Service at Mamhead*** 11am Sunday 26 September

### **Later this Year**

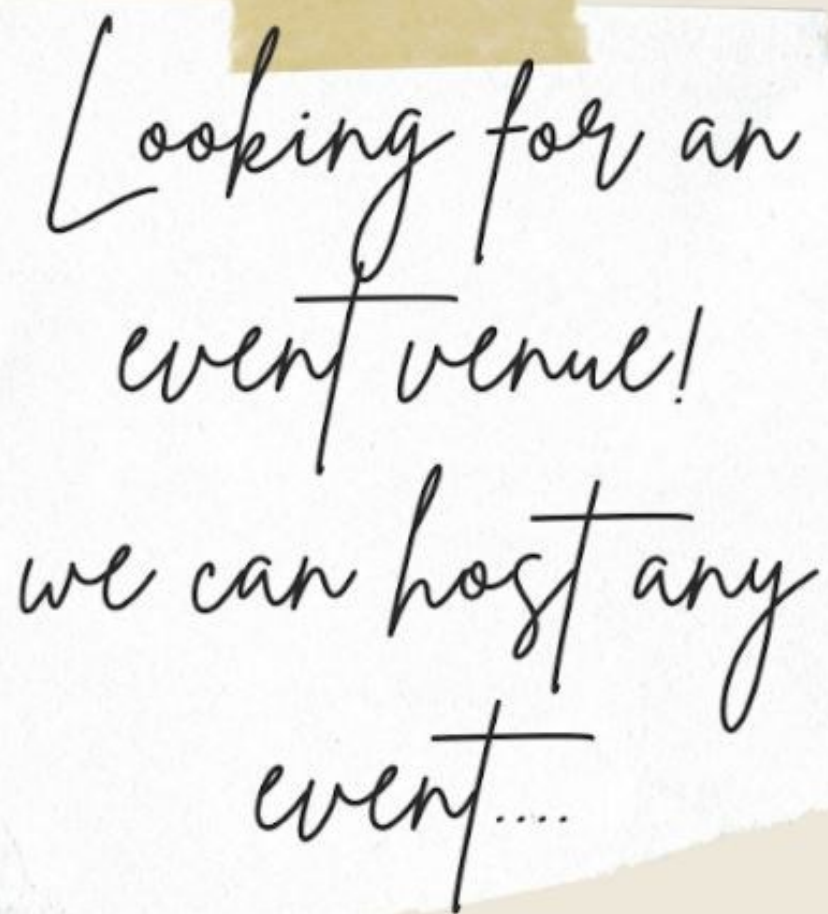
***Great Village Post Covid Quiz*** Friday 1 October, hopefully!  
***Art at Shillingford*** Shillingford Village Hall starts Friday 10 Oct

Deadline for the next edition of ***Haldon Views***

**20 September 2021**

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# WI MATTERS

## Kenn and Kennford WI

### June Meeting.

Well, it was another zoom meeting but hopefully the last, although we are getting rather good at this!!

21 of us attended, which is pretty good. We also are proud to boast that we are still stable at 37 members. Well done ladies for continuing to support our WI, despite difficult times, which we hope are now easing. We very much hope that our next meeting is face to face in the Kenn Centre, as a mini social event. Latest government guidelines point to this being possible.....did it happen? Watch this space.

For members it was the 20 July at 7.30 pm ! At the Kenn Centre.

To continue, our June Zoom meeting was so good. "Lighthouse Keepers Family." Our speaker's grandfather was the keeper at several lighthouses. We had some amazing photographic evidence. We particularly loved her grandmother, communicating with her husband, via semaphore to the lighthouse, to discuss the time for a meal. Her grandfather born in the 1880s, started service in the Isle of Man. His father was also a lighthouse keeper and sea captain. They also served in the Isles of Scilly, at the famous Wolf Rck lighthouse, in 1920. Here one stint lasted for 103 days. The waves smashed the lighthouse light and they spent Christmas in the light. Those days the boat that changed shifts had the two teams changing shift at the same time, in treacherous conditions, with no life jackets.

Our speaker's father was born in St Catherine's lighthouse in 1922. This was on the Isle of Wight. This place was sieged in 1943 by the Germans and the keepers at the time were killed.

Life on the lighthouse was Spartan. They fished when it was calm, listened to music and, amusingly, darned socks!

We learned a little about the hierarchy of the lighthouse naval connections. Trinity House apparently comes first and the Navy, then the other forces. Prince Philip was Master of Trinity House, now handed over to Princess Anne. ....GIRL POWER !!!!

Our speaker also showed us touching mementos of her grandparent's history, an ancient telescope, a sea jacket and a darning needle. It was a lovely talk.

**Next meeting Tuesday 21 September at the Kenn Centre (Flower Competition)**

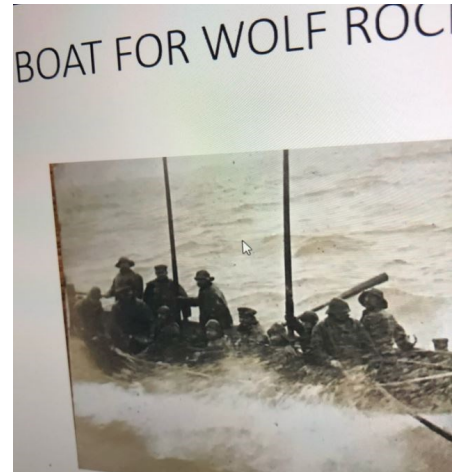
**Sue Bretherton .**



A lighthouse keepers family



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The ride to Wolf Rock



From ship to lighthouse-hold tight!

**The lighthouse keeper  
was respected by  
King and Country and  
most spent their whole  
careers in the service.  
In some families  
the occupation was  
handed from one  
generation to the next**



## Kenn and Kennford WI Welcome Back Social Evening.

On Tuesday 20 July we did it!

Despite everything we had a lovely, balmy evening, and were able to be outside. We had lovely pasties from the village shop. Thank you guys for stepping in and saving our bacon/ beef/ veggies / Cornish pasties, they were ace.! Will definitely be recommending them. We had lots of cool drinks. Not a cup of tea in sight and nibbles and dips and garden flowers on each table to round everything off.

We played bingo and had four lucky winners, (Avril's prize was tinkling nicely when she collected it. Will she want a refund)? Lots of catching up and mingling. So good to see everyone in the flesh, so to speak.

**Next meet is croquet at Sue's, with cheese and wine on July 30 at 6 pm.**

Sadly garden party at Jenny's is cancelled in August but the potato weigh in still on at Splatford on 3 September, with refreshments.

Well done girlies. You are all amazing. We rock!

Saturday 18 September is Kenn Community Fun Day, starting at 2 pm The WI are going to do the teas. We need cakes and a few more helpers. Anyone willing to bake or help get in touch with Sue, Pat or Polly. **Thank you.**









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## Ingredients for 4 people

16 fl oz of double cream

30 oz (1 packet) macaroon biscuits

5 eggs

5 tablespoons castor sugar

## Method

Put all the macaroons into a food processor and turn into crumbs. Whip the cream until thick. Separate the eggs into two bowls and whip the whites until they are stiff.

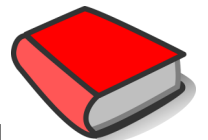
Add the sugar to the yolks and beat together. Add the whites and mix together and then add the whipped cream and beat again.

Sprinkle a layer of crumbs in the bottom of an oblong or square container and then layer alternately with the ice cream mixture and macaroons, ending with ice cream on the top. Freeze.

When needed, turn out and cut into slices and serve with fresh raspberries or strawberries.

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**“Heavenly Feasts and Burnt Offerings”** will be on sale soon!



It has very varied and interesting recipes and amusing anecdotes from varied and interesting people. It will make an excellent Christmas present.....

**All proceeds will go towards the upkeep of St Andrew's Church.**

**Maureen Bate**



HELP !

Help !

## St Andrew's church

Do you remember the old days when the community came together in a spirit of friendship and camaraderie to enjoy the various events arranged by hardworking locals? They easily spring to mind:-

- The village fete
- Picnic in the meadow
- Christmas fayre
- Cream teas
- Sausage sizzles
- Scarecrow festival
- Barn dances

Of course, Covid put a stop to all events but, with the end of restrictions in sight, wouldn't it be nice to resurrect some, if not all, of these?

Well, we all need your help. Many of the past organisers are ancient – our best days are behind us. Where is the new blood to take things forward?

St Andrew's church needs the cash which these events generate. You don't need to be a church attendee to help but we would all miss the church if it wasn't there.

So, come on you younger men and women of Kenn, Kennford and Clapham. Let's restore those feelings of togetherness and enjoyment which we once had.

If you feel you can help with organising any of the above events – or even new ones – which will give us all a feeling of well-being and generate funds for the church, please do contact me. Guidance on what has happened in the past is available, you don't have to start with a blank canvas unless you want to.

Simon Preece, Churchwarden  
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# St Andrew's Church

## Sunday Services



1 August Trinity 9 10am Holy Communion  
 15 August Festival of Mary 10am Holy Communion  
 29 August Trinity 13 10am United Service of Communion

For the 5 Red Churches(Exminster, Kenn, Kanton, Mamhead & Powderham)

5 September Trinity 14 10am Holy Communion  
 19 September Trinity 16 10am Holy Communion

There is only a service every other week, for the time being, because the Bishop has directed that the clergy should not go from one church to another on the same day for fear of spreading infection.

On the days when there is no service at Kenn there is a service at Exminster and Kanton at 10am, at Powderham at 11am and on 26 September at Mamhead at 11.15am.

It is not far to drive – I do it regularly and you might learn something new. Give it a try.

On the other hand, you might meet the same old retired priest from Kenn. You have been warned.

## TRAFFIC CALMING

*You may have noticed that some people drive through Kenn and Kennford at more than 20 miles per hour. You may also have noticed that if you do you might be shouted at and told to slow down by a fat old man with a Black Labrador.*

*The result is often that comments are passed by the driver that should not be repeated in a family magazine, or indeed anywhere. I do not mind. I would rather be abused than face the guilt of not doing what little I could to prevent any of my neighbours, or much worse their children, being KILLED.*

*I imagine my joy the other day. A car raced along Kenn Lane past Mill Cottages at more than 30 miles per hour. I shouted "Slow down." The car stopped and reversed. The window was wound down and I braced myself for the usual obscene tirade.*

*Not at all! "Thank you!" The driver said, "Thank you for reminding me. I am sorry. I just forgot about the speed limit." We had a very cheerful conversation.*

*So thank you, my friend. Thank you for being so gracious and public spirited. I know you by sight but not by name. We all make mistakes. Not every one is wise and mature enough to admit it, though!*

**Drive carefully,**

**Mark Bate**



## ***Parish Rainfall Statistics***

As recorded by Pete Holland

**May 2021 rainfall total was 228mm or 9.12 inches**

**May's total, 228mm, was the highest ever recorded since 2013**

**June 2021 saw 97mm or 3.88inches fall in the 30 days.**

**(42mm fell on just one day, Sunday 27 June)**

**July 2021 (up to Tuesday 20 July) 83mm or 3.32inches**

**(In July it rained on 8 consecutive days)**



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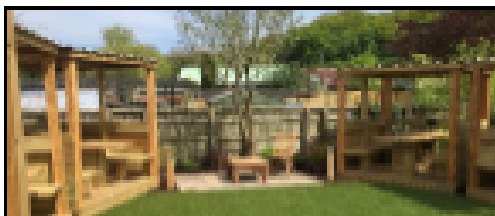
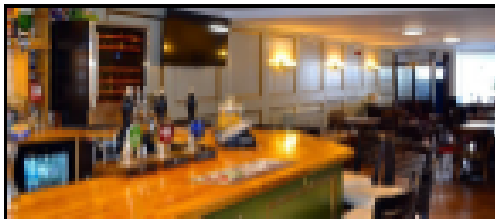
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## CONSULTATION LAUNCHED ON POSSIBLE HOUSING SITES

“The Government requires at least 751 new houses a year to be built in Teignbridge. The council is now consulting on potential sites for the new housing and it's vitally important local residents have their say too”, says **local councillor Alan Connett**.

You can see the full details online at [www.teignbridge.gov.uk/localplanreview](http://www.teignbridge.gov.uk/localplanreview). Copies are also available at local libraries and at Teignbridge's offices at Forde House in Newton Abbot. It may also be possible to make arrangements through our local parish councils to view the copies they have by contacting the Clerk to the Parish Council.

The consultation runs until 12 noon on Monday 9 August, so please be sure to have your say before then.

In summary, the Government has a formula which determines how many houses each council area must have, and the council is required to identify enough land to meet the 'housing need'. This is known as the Local Plan and for Teignbridge, it is looking at site options up to the year 2040. At this stage no decisions have been made on which sites will finally be earmarked for housing or other development, such as for jobs, for example.

“In the main, the proposed sites will have been put forward by landowners for consideration to be included in a future Local Plan for development”, added Alan.

“Potential development sites are identified at nearly all local villages including the parishes of Starcross, Kenton, Exminster, Kennford, Whitestone, Ide and Shillingford St George”.

“I am sure there will be a lot of comments on social media, like Facebook, but I can't state enough just how important it is to make sure you put in your comments to the Council. You might think Teignbridge should simply say it will have no truck with the Government's housing figures. There are some real 'perils' in taking that approach”.

“Firstly, if not enough land is identified for housing, then developers could put in planning applications for any sites that might suit them - and they could win permission on Appeal to the Government's independent Planning Inspectorate. Secondly, the Government could simply give the job of making the Local Plan to another council, or to its own appointed inspectors”.

“Painful as it is, I think it's better that local people are involved in deciding where any new housing or jobs might be placed. We've already got enough Government interference as it is, in my view”, said Alan.

In summary, please look at the potential sites now being consulted on. The website link is [www.teignbridge.gov.uk/localplanreview](http://www.teignbridge.gov.uk/localplanreview) and get your comments in by 12 noon on 9 August.

Thank you. **Councillor Alan Connett**

## Watercolour Classes at Shillingford



It looks like we can definitely plan activities for the Autumn!

At Shillingford Village Hall we will be resuming the regular Friday morning art classes, looking at painting and drawing techniques for landscape work.

Both experienced artists and beginners are very welcome.

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£70 for the eight week term, £67 060s.

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# St Andrew's Church

## Churchwarden's Jottings



So we reached the magic 19 July!!

Covid restrictions lifted. Well St Andrew's is certainly not going mad and throwing caution to the wind. We shall be taking a very cautious approach to the relaxation of restrictions. Sanitising hands on arrival at St Andrew's will still be requested and other safety measures implemented.

**St Andrew's** PCC will be meeting at the beginning of August to finalise these arrangements. We want to make sure everyone is safe in our parish church.

**Good news.** The Bell ringers are once again allowed to ring together. 6 ringers practice on a Tuesday evening. New recruits always welcome. It's good they're back as we have a wedding on Saturday 7 August.

**Churchyard.** Those of you who regularly go into the churchyard will notice that the oldest part of it has been left to grow wild, under the guidance of Kelvin Boot. The month of September will see it have a major cut and tidy up.

**Church services.** Now getting back slowly to normal and that all-important ingredient of services, singing!!! We can start again. The organ has been serviced and tuned and there's even talk of forming a small choir. Are you interested? Then let me know .

**Request for help.** You will see elsewhere in this publication a request for help in organising the many Community events the church puts on over 12 months. I like, many others who have staged many events over the years, are all getting too old to get too physical. I myself celebrated my 73 birthday this year.

Where are the 40, 50, and 60 year olds?

## Churchwarden's Jottings continued

One major event that takes place, of course, is the Church Village Fete. This was supposed to happen last year, 2020. Covid put paid to that. Hopefully we can do it 2022.

One community church event will take place this year on Friday 1 October, 7.30pm at the Kenn Centre. I refer of course to **The Great Village Post Covid Quiz**.

The Kenn Centre is booked. The questions are written and the pasties are ready to be ordered.

When were you last in the Kenn Centre with your friends?

An entry form is in this edition of Haldon Views or ring me for a copy. Entries, with pasty orders need to be in by 24 September.

Make sure you book your table early to avoid disappointment!

Finally just a reminder, St Andrews is open for you every day, a real treasure of a place. We are so lucky to have it available to all.

**Simon Preece Churchwarden 832462**



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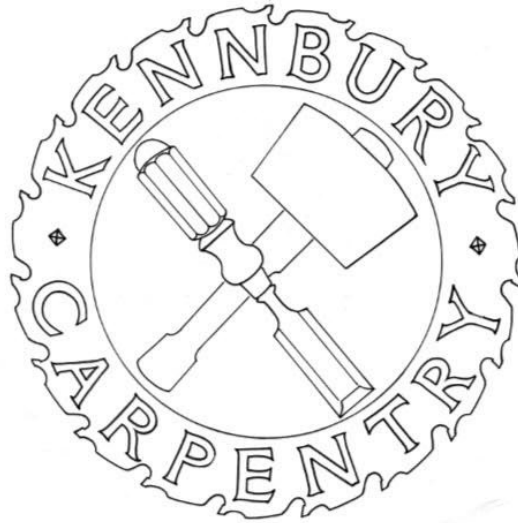


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## News from the MOTHERS' UNION Branch at St. Andrew's, Kenn (with Exminster)



**In 2021 we look back with gratitude and forward with faith. In prayer, we give thanks and pray for ongoing vision for the future of Mothers' Union worldwide.**

**I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Jeremiah 29:11**

Take a moment to reflect on this verse and use it to focus your prayer for the future of Mothers' Union worldwide. If at home, you may like to write your prayer or depict it through drawing or craft.

### Prayer plait

Take three lengths of different coloured ribbon, one representing the vision of Mary Sumner, one 145 years of Mothers' Union, one our hope for the future. Tie them together in a knot at the top and then plait them together, securing them at the end with another knot. As you weave your plait, use this verse and prayer, or pray your own for each strand, affirming that our hope for the future is held and strengthened by the vision and service that has brought us thus far.

*As I weave this symbol of strength;  
a threefold plait, not easily broken,  
so I also weave my prayers of hope  
for a future made firm by  
being entwined  
with past vision and present service.  
Amen*

### Yesterday today forever Jesus is the same

*Hebrews 13:8*

Use your plait as a bookmark reminder to pray for Mothers' Union.

If able to gather in person you may like to decorate a prayer tree with prayer plaits - each person tying theirs to the tree as a symbolic offering of gratitude to God and faith for the future. On a virtual gathering the plaits may be held up as all share in prayer.

*As we look forward with faith for all  
that is to come  
help us to build a future together  
which will enable our work to  
flourish;  
through far-reaching vision  
and commitment to your will.  
Amen*

### Suggested hymn for prayerful reflection: Be thou my vision

If possible, listen to the hymn or find the words and quietly sing as you reflect

*O King of glory, my victory won;  
Rule and reign in me 'til Thy will be done;  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall;  
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.*

*Traditional Irish hymn*



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# Coffee Mornings



In September 2021, WE HOPE! Coffee Mornings will start again on a Thursday in each month from 10.30 am until 12 noon.

Coffee Mornings in St Andrew's Church are for everyone in the community who would like a cup (or two) of coffee or tea and a slice of cake, in happy and friendly surroundings.

Visitors receive a warm welcome and if transport is a problem. We have drivers who will collect and return you to your door.

Why not give it a try? You don't have to come every time, there is no formality and it's held in church, for convenience. It's not a religious gathering in any sense of the word.

Do you know anyone who you think would like a bit of company?

**If so, phone either Shirley (833293) or Brenda (832896)**



## The Church Floodlights

One way to bring 'light' into the parish is to ask for St Andrew's Church to be illuminated. For just a £10 donation the magnificent church will be lit for you, from dusk to the early hours of the morning. You may want to 'celebrate' or 'remember'. You may want to sponsor a day at Easter or Christmas or one of our Saints' Days. For whatever reason, you will cheer up the whole parish.

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