



Haldon Views

Bi-Monthly FREE NEWSLETTER for the Parish of Kenn
April-May 2019

April

Haldon Grange Open Gardens Weekends till 9 June

Bridge Club Thursdays 2-5pm at the Kenn Centre

Corporate Communions Wednesday 3 April 10am St Martin's & Thursday 4 April 9am at St Andrew's Kenn

THE LAST Lent Lunch at the Kenn Centre Monday 8 April 1230pm

Kenn Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 9 April at the Kenn Centre

Mothers' Union Meeting Thursday 11 April 2.30pm at "The Gables" Kenn

St Andrew's Coffee Morning Thursday 11 April 10.30am-Noon

WI Meeting Tuesday 16 April at the Kenn Centre

May

Art at Shillingford St George Starts Friday 3 May

St Andrew's Coffee Morning Thursday 9 May 10.30am-Noon

Village Barn Dance Saturday 11 May at Rod's Barn Bickham

Kenn Parish Council Meeting 7pm Tuesday 14 May at the Kenn Centre

WI Meeting Tuesday 14 May at the Kenn Centre

Wine, Savouries and Speakers at St Andrew's 7pm Thursday 23 May

Later in the Year

Scarecrow Festival Weekend 13-14 July

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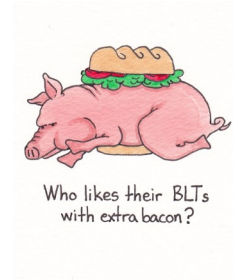
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Sally & Kate's Great Bacon Butty Event



We would like to thank all those who supported our Bacon Butty Event in January at the Kenn Centre. An amazing total again - just short of £800.00 was raised for The Dystonia Society and St Andrews Church. A huge thank you to our many helpers!

A well supported village event with both old and new faces. A particular thank you to our take-away helpers which really boosted our takings - bacon butties were delivered to the gas works, various builders in the village and Partridge Cycles! A perfect way to spend a winter Friday morning!

Thank you!
Sally and Kate



Editor's Note: Sorry about the quality of this picture but as you can see, even out of focus, their beauty shines through. Especially Ross!

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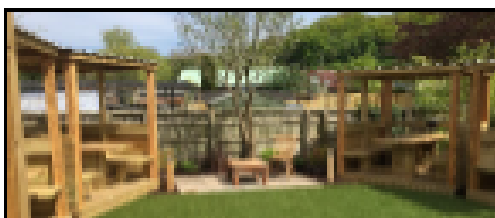
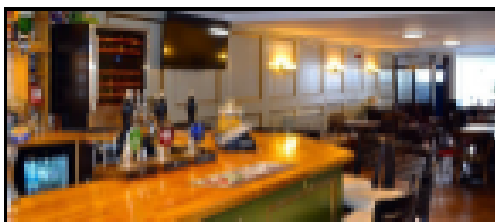
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The Boy who Cried Wolf

Performed on 3 February 2019

A little note to say a big thank you to all of you who came to see this beautiful puppet show— young and not so young were transfixed by the story and beautiful scenery.

Scrummy cakes followed with a chance to meet the puppets and to play the instruments.

A profit of £103.10 was made, which will be put towards further productions in our village, as we endeavour to provide nationally acclaimed artists in our local community, who provided this event independently from any rural schemes.

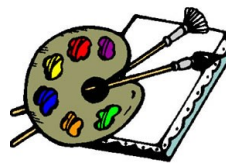
SPECIAL THANKS TO Jackie, Chris, Sue, Lizzie and Bethan for all their support and help with the show and to the cake bakers.

Many thanks to you all.

Maggie Westcott



Art at Shillingford St George



Summer Sketching at Shillingford Village Hall - I hope the recent warm weather has inspired artists to blow the dust off their sketching gear ready to get out and about in our lovely countryside this spring. With this in mind, the Shillingford Village Hall art class will be concentrating on developing sketching and painting skills for outdoor work this term. Term starts on Friday May 3rd at 9.45am. All abilities catered for. £48 / 45 060s for the term Details 01626 891245 or visit mikemcdonald.co.uk

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For further information contact Judith or Andrew 01392 832329



A clean place to live is really important to residents and visitors alike. Teignbridge District Council works alongside communities to make sure places remain clean and green. It does this by patrolling and issuing fines for littering, cleaning public places, supporting local and national campaigns and involving community groups in litter picking events among other things.

Did you know that you can now report anyone you see throwing litter from their vehicle, using Teignbridge Council's online reporting form?

If you're fed up with seeing litter on the roadside, you can help keep our district tidy by reporting anyone you see throwing litter from their vehicle at www.teignbridge.gov.uk/litter

You will need to provide the vehicle registration, the vehicle description and the time, date and location of the incident.

Any person found guilty of littering will be issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice of £100.

Tracey Fey

Waste Project Officer

Waste and Cleansing Services Teignbridge District Council

If you found yourself shipwrecked, alone, on Lundy Island, which 8 discs would you want to have with you?



These are Simon Preece's choices.

Disc 1. Onward Christian Soldiers

As a young choir boy this was one of my favorite hymns to sing.

Disc 2. The Wurzels - Combine Harvester

When we lived in Mid-Wales in the 1970s, we owned an old 14th century drovers' inn with a function room. We had the Wurzels performing at the inn the same week they were number 1 in the Top of the Pops hit parade.

Disc 3. Fleetwood Mac - The Chain (aka the Formula 1 signature tune)

This always reminds me of the 70's and the 80's when I was racing Minis

Disc 4 Alison Krauss - Baby Now that I Found You

From the mid-80s to the mid-2000s I was a country music presenter in my spare time. Working for both the BBC and commercial radio I had 2 shows a week, each 2 hours in length. On Sundays I played the more traditional music, including Alison Krauss's Bluegrass. Whilst on Tuesdays, it was the more modern, edgier music, with the likes of Garth Brooks, Tim McGraw and Faith Hill.

Disc 5 Dolly Parton - I will Always Love You

Dolly wrote this and, in my view, this is the best version, despite being popularised in later years by Whitney Houston and others.

Disc 6 Don Williams - You're My Best Friend

This was the last record I played when I retired from presenting on commercial radio.

Disc 7 Mendelssohn - The Wedding March from a Midsummer Night's Dream

Played on the day I married my angel on 23 June 2001, at St Andrew's, Kenn.

Disc 8 Thomas Arne - Rule Britannia

When I hear this, I always think about all the times we have attended outdoor concerts at Killerton, both in the rain and the shine!

My one choice for Lundy island – **Disc 8 Rule Britannia** - an uplifting song to keep my spirits up and to encourage me not to give in whilst I endeavor to survive on the Island.

My luxury - a pair of binoculars

Simon Preece Church Warden

Happy memories from the past!

The year was 1988. Thirty years ago an item was printed in the Parish Magazine, called "The Village Game". At the event mentioned in the article £700.00 was raised. In the Seven Stars, Kennford on Boxing day 2018 £3,750 was raised by the very same auctioneer, "Blondie" Well done to all who attended. Here is that 1988 poem.

The Village Game

A football match was played at Pennycombe Farm on Boxing Day and afterwards a charity auction was held at the Ley Arms.

'Twas Boxing Day morn,
the day of the game.
Both teams had been drawn up
for the match down Kenn Lane.
So many faces came out from the past,
some for the challenge and some for a laugh.
Fathers played sons, it was time for a test
after months of reminiscence would prove who was best.
Blondie the ref, all black, so serene,
displayed cards with such zeal he was thrown in the stream.
The pitch was a tribute to Owen Baker and crew
with its natural bank so the locals would view.
Nurse Gladys Emmanuel was there on the scene
complete with her ambulance and medical team.
On and off the pitch more times than the ball,
attending old strains that were suffered by all
Once more the village came alive for the game
the cheer girls were chanting, "Kenn!" was the name
The match was a draw no arguments proved
only old skill revived and memories moved
For the charity, Hospice, £700 was raised
so thanks to you all who supported and gave.








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Just like you we have to pay this outgoing from our income which comes from what we collect at services, regular donations and from our fundraising. It is just one of our many necessary and unavoidable expenses that makes keeping St. Andrew's doors open for you all such a financial challenge.

Perhaps your home insurance now seems a bargain!

Rod Harbottle
Hon. Treasurer, St. Andrew's



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'. Either reason will cheer up the whole parish.

Just contact Simon on 832462

KENN CRICKET CLUB

This year marks 125 years since Kenn Cricket Club's establishment and, as always, we are busy behind the scenes during close season as we seek to build on our achievements last year. We invested again in the club and purchased covers and our 1st Team consolidated their place in the higher division following promotion in 2017. This coming season, to tie into the notable anniversary of the club, we will see completion of our family area, which will be both a pleasant place to socialise, but a perfect spot to watch the games.

It is no secret that Cricket does not have the same draw as football and we face annual rule changes as the ECB and Devon League seek to tweak the game to maintain participation in the sport. That we are so stable and well-equipped is testament to the hard work of many within the club. We are also aware that teams around us are struggling and therefore decisions to invest in the club have proved to be a sensible course of action.

We shall continue to do so by pursuing Clubmark status, adding to our impressive facilities, and developing our youth teams. Nonetheless, we would love to hear from people who would be interested in supporting the club further in this landmark year.

Players of any ability from age 14 upwards for our 2 league teams and Sunday Friendly team

Youngsters aged 8 and upwards for our youth section. Our youngsters compete with, and often defeat, teams from some of the biggest clubs in the league. There is Friday training with accredited coaches.

Supporting roles – perhaps you could help with the ground preparation, or you could score or umpire for us? Similarly, we are always happy to have new faces on our committee.

We currently have winter net practice at the University on some Sundays in the run up to the season, and we would love to welcome you at one of the sessions.

To find out more, please contact Ian Hutchings either by email to iwjh@hotmail.com or by phone/text to 07824 552574. You can also find Kenn Cricket Club on Facebook, and ask to join the page.





WI MATTERS

Our February speaker was Mark Richardson, who manages the Exeter Foodbank. He explained that they were not there to save people money by handing out free food boxes !!! Unfortunately the growing numbers of people needing assistance is a great concern. Clients could not just turn up. They have to be referred, by various agencies. Citizens Advice Bureau, Social Services, the Council etc.

The cause was usually work related and if clients had got into difficulties, they didn't just hand out food.....they offered advice on how to get out of their problems ie debt advice.

Boxes contain a balanced and nutritious three day supply of food. Vouchers for a food box were often needed only onceto help out in a tight spot .They were never given month after month and most recipients were usually OK after about 3 visits.

All food is freely given by the general public. Our WI filled 4 giant boxes for Mark to take away.

The food bank is not funded by the Government. All helpers are volunteers. Any monies donated are meticulously noted and usually used to buy or repair the vans, or to buy fuel.

Alas they cannot take any perishable food (Health and Safety). They have to be very careful with ingredients, as they are not allowed to give out items with any alcohol content. (steak and ale pie). This causes a nightmare over the Christmas period ... and means that every list of ingredients has to be finely checked!! Think about Christmas Puddings, cakes, mince pies! Of course they cannot just give any of these donated items awayHowever in Bristol there is a different charity at work that is able to accept such items. So during the festive season, when they are given lots and lots of such goodies, they will load up one of their vans and make a couple of trips up to Bristolso nothing is wasted.

'Sell by' dates are important, so every item has to be checked to make sure it is still within that date ... Not always easy on bottles...(they once had a tin of carrots given that had expired in 1966)! They didn't try it !!!

They have never run out of food yet ... But at certain times in the year it gets close to the wire...So let's keep putting things in those boxes..

Schools are now taking part, and they make a special event of it for Harvest Festival... Or give a donation a week for AdventI suppose instead of giving up something for Lent ... We could give for lent.

It was a most informative and interesting talk....and changed any uncharitable thoughts that had been held about food banks !!!!

P.Davey

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Our March meeting. We had an amazing turnout for this meeting. Our speaker was the Inspirational Alex Leger of Blue Peter fame

His talk was focused mainly this time on Blue Peter Appeals he has been involved in and an amazing slide show. He had a captive audience and his way of addressing us ,his humour and compassion to some of the horrors he and the team covered ,moved some of us to tears. At times he and the team were subjected to quite substantial danger. It must at the time have been terrifying. We saw a very youthful Matt Baker and many of the other Blue Peter presenters. Matt I remembered because in Cambodia he had to sample deep fried tarantulas. We all have had connections with Blue Peter. Did you know that it takes 3 tons of silver milk bottle tops to fund one guide dog puppy and over the years they funded 20!!

Alex was saying that when they entered disaster/ famine areas on the appeals the misery experienced seemed almost normal. They were worried they would be branded as voyeurs but on the contrary the victims generally wanted to be seen to reinforce their plight.

On one occasion they went to an orphanage in Romania at an appointed time to find it not all that bad but had to return on a spot check unexpectedly to see the real hell on earth production line of misery.....at the risk of being either killed or removed .

One of the team around lake Titicaca suffering from altitude sickness after alcohol was given a remedy concoction which worked amazingly. They only found out later it was cocaine based!!!!

Appeals were all about alleviating suffering and reuniting families.

Sometimes Alex said it was incredibly hard not to intervene.

Alex finished with an important message the team had to remember.

Remember what you are there to do. Do whatever you have to do to achieve your aim.

After questions he signed copies of his book 'Behind the Blue Badge'.

We have some good things coming up. AGM in May.

A trip to see Educating Rita at the Northcott 25June

Stuart Line boat trip Exmouth to Sidmouth 11am 10 June. Check on line . You should have details from Avril but, if not, ring one of the committee on your event calendar.

Also seed potatoes were on sale for the 'Great Potato Weigh In' ,in early Sept at Splafford. Get your potato from Pat and plant on Good Friday.

Polly also again requested members to think again about our future as a WI. Three committee members are standing down and we are just ok apart from a secretary this year but next year unless we get some help we may close, something that would be a tragedy but some of the present committee are getting older (me especially) and can't do the post properly. Please help. It's not onerous and we job share, so we can get on with other stuff as well.

Sue Bretherton



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(Unfortunately we have no facilities for teaching beginners)



Churchwarden's Jottings



Spring is here and it's lift off for many exciting social events in the months ahead. It's not too late to catch the last of Lent¹⁹, organised by the Rev Mark Bate. The last of three meetings, some say is the best till last, Sunday 7 April at 11 am in the church. Guest speaker Tim Gibson. Tim was with us last year and he's back by demand.

The last Lent Lunch is on Monday, 8 April, in the Kenn Centre. All money raised going to 4 separate charities. I would like to thank all those who got involved to provide such wonderful food, soups and puddings for these Lent lunches. A lot of hard work goes into preparing for these lunches, thank you.

Next month, May, we see not one but two, great social events taking place. Firstly, Saturday, 11 May a good old barn dance. Thanks to Rod, it's taking place at Rod's barn at Bickham. Two bands are playing. Bar and refreshments, all for the price of £10.

The second event in May is on Thursday the 23rd at 7 pm in the church. Three speakers will entertain. Kelvin Boot, talking on the wildlife in the churchyard, Ian Goodrick, talking about our ancient Yew tree and yours truly talking about the history and the artefacts of St Andrews church — a Grade 1 star rated Church, dating back to 1250!. Ticket price for this event is £7.50, which includes wine and savouries. Tickets will be available for both these events at the usual places, Kennford Post Office and Stores, the two pubs and St Andrews.

Lastly, have you started making your scarecrow? Yes it's back again this year! Our Scarecrow Competition Weekend will be held over the weekend of 13-14 July. It was so much fun last time, it's sure to be bigger and better this year.

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Simon Preece
Churchwarden



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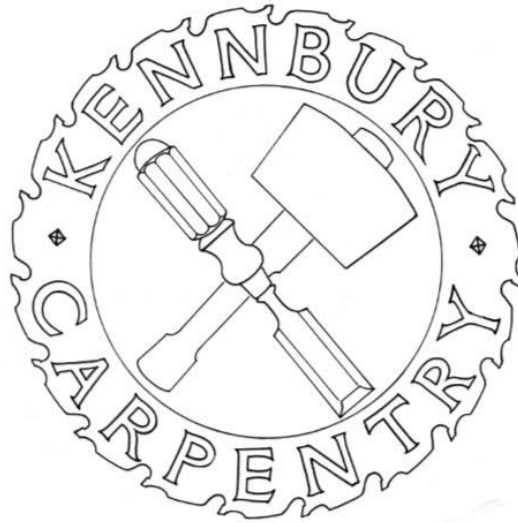
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Coffee Mornings



On a Thursday of each month from 10.30 am until 12 noon, Coffee Mornings are held in St Andrew's Church for anyone living in the community who would like to have a cup (or two) of coffee or tea and a slice of cake in happy and friendly surroundings. All visitors will receive a very warm welcome and don't worry if transport is a problem for you. We have drivers who are more than happy to collect you and return you to your door afterwards.

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

If it's not of any interest to you, do you know anyone else who you think would like a bit of company? If so phone either Shirley (833293) or Brenda (832896)

Next Coffee Mornings-Thursdays 11 April and 9 May



LOCAL CHARITY SEEKS VOLUNTEERS

Devon in Sight (The Devon County Association for the Blind) has moved its head office to Splatford. The charity provides support services to people who are blind or partially sighted across the county. They are keen to recruit volunteers to provide reception cover, provide administration support, fundraising or be trained to provide specialist training. Please contact Jennie Benham the Office Manager on 01392 876 666.

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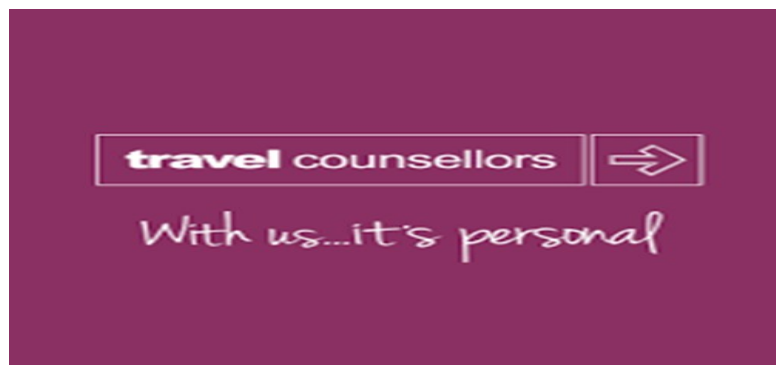
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Kenn Parish Council

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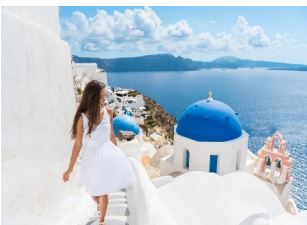


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SALMON FOIL PARCELS WITH SWEET POTATO WEDGES



Eat healthy and fast! Baking fish in a parcel (or en papillote as the French say) seals in more of the flavour and goodness, and the potatoes turn this salmon recipe into a substantial meal.

Serves 1

1 sweet potato, skin on, cut into wedges

Olive oil

1 salmon fillet

1 garlic clove, roughly chopped

1 green chilli, chopped

1 cm piece of fresh root ginger, sliced

Juice of half a lime

2 tsp soy sauce

Small handful of fresh coriander, coarsely torn

1. Preheat the oven to 180c/gas 4. Place the sweet potato wedges on a baking tray and drizzle with a small amount of olive oil. Bake in the oven for 20 minutes, until soft and turning golden at the edges.
2. While the wedges are in the oven, make the parcels. Using tin foil or grease proof paper, create a boat shape. It needs to be big enough to hold the salmon fillet and leak proof so the liquids don't escape. Place the parcel on a baking tray.
3. Place the salmon fillet in the parcel, along with the garlic, chilli, ginger, lime juice and soy sauce. Seal the parcel by scrunching the edges of the foil or paper together.
4. Move the sweet potato wedges down a shelf if necessary, and place the salmon parcel in the oven for 12-15 minutes. Both the salmon and the sweet potato wedges should be done at the same time. The salmon should be lightly cooked and sitting in a well-flavoured broth. Scatter over the coriander just before serving.

Tried and tested recipe

Sue Holwell



WINTER WARMER LUNCH FOR CANCER RESEARCH UK.

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February **51mm** or 2.04 inches

March (up to 20 March) **95mm** or 3.8 inches

In March 2018 we saw **230mm** or 9.20 inches of rain fall

Thanks, as always, to Pete Holland, for collecting the rain statistics throughout the years.



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Our mobile library visits Kenn (St Andrew's Close) at 9.30-10am and Kennford (Post Office and Stores) at 10.10-10.55am on one Wednesday per month.

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

At our meeting in March, we again welcomed Canon David Robinson and enjoyed his thoughts on Lent, preparing us for Good Friday. As the individual grains make up the bread and individual grapes are fermented into wine for the Sacraments, so we, as individuals, make up the Body of Christ.

During the meeting, Sarah explained this year's Make a Mother's Day appeal and the theme '*nurturing hope in a hurting world*'. A collection in support of this appeal raised £75, enabling us to send 3 gifts of £15 for Literacy and Numeracy projects and 6 gifts of £6 for 'Soar on Wings like Eagles' providing bible study courses.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 11 April at 2.30 pm at 'The Gables', Kenn, home of Jane Bell. The speaker will be Mr. Rodney Battey, on the subject 'Camouflage, Disguise & Impersonation'.

Corporate Communions

Wednesday 3 April—10 am at St. Martin's, Exminster

Thursday 4 April—9 am at St. Andrew's, Kenn

Brenda Ridout

St ANDREW's CHURCH

Times of Services



April 7	Lent 5	8.15am	Holy Communion
		11am	LENT'19 The Rev. Tim Gibson
April 14	Palm Sunday	8.15am	Holy Communion & Palm Celebration
	16	7pm	Stations of the Cross
	18 Maundy Thursday	7.30pm	Eucharist
	19 Good Friday	12Mn	Vigil at the foot of the Cross
April 21	EASTER DAY	9.30 am	Easter Celebration. ALLELUIA!
April 28 ^t	Easter 2	8.15 am	Holy Communion
May 5	Easter 3	10am	Morning Worship
May 12	Easter 4	8.15am	Holy Communion
May 19	Easter 5	10am	Eucharist
May 26	Easter 6	8.15am	Holy Communion
June 2	Ascension	10am	Morning Worship

Note – In April the services of HOLY WEEK and EASTER are NOT at the regular times. Please note the special times.

EASTER is the most important day of the year for Christians. Christmas is lovely, of course. But everyone gets born; only Jesus Christ gets raised from the dead! This is the Day that says something that is eternally true about God, the Universe, the World, you and me.....

That LIFE is stronger than death

That GOOD is stronger than evil

That LOVE is stronger than selfishness

It does not always look like it, but that is God's promise and that is what we try to live by.

ALLELUIA!!

Sylvia Harwood - RIP

28 January 2019

Ros, Ken and their families would like to thank everyone who gave Sylvia such a good send off at her funeral held at Kenn Church on Valentine's Day; our apologies go to anyone who didn't hear about when the Service was to be held. Our thanks go to Mark Bate and his team for the Service and to the Ley Arms for an afternoon tea that Sylvia would have loved. Thank you to everyone who attended – we are sorry that we didn't speak to you all but we really appreciated your support.

Ros Speedy and Ken Harwood



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Did you know..... The Yew tree is over 2000 years old, Ian Goodrick will be on hand to tell us more!



Did you know..... The font is Norman and the oldest part of the Church

COME AND JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF LOCAL HISTORICAL DISCOVERY

Where: St Andrews Church, Kenn

Date: 23rd May 2019

Time: 7pm

Price: £7.50 - Includes a cheese board and a glass of wine
(Children free)

Resident bug and fauna expert Kelvin Boot will be giving us a guide of the churchyard



Simon Preece will be sharing his knowledge of the Church's history and the families involved with the Church

Tickets for sale from the Post Office, Mervyn Hosking (832896) or Sam Chalmers (832624)



Exciting News from the Kennford Community Field Working Group!

For those of you that have lived in the Parish more than 4 years, you may recall receiving and completing a survey in late 2014. The responses of the survey became part of the Kenn Parish Plan 2015-2025, which underpins the work of Kenn Parish Council. The survey results identified the need for a community play area or open space as the number 2 priority. Since then Kenn Parish Council have attempted to identify land that could be bought or leased for this purpose.

We are therefore delighted to inform you that last year Rob Taverner (Taverner's Farm) approached Kenn Parish Council directly with the offer to lease the field next to the Kenn Centre for a community park.

A Working Group was set up in October 2018 to oversee this project. The Group comprises Rob Taverner, Andy Chislett (Chair Kenn Parish Council), Pete Vickery (Chair Kenn Centre), John Goodey (District Councillor), Emma Lishman, Dom Jinks & Ben Stretton. In January 2019 we were visited by Debbie Marshall - Play Area Project Officer at Teignbridge District Council, who shared valuable advice and guidance with the Group.

Following this meeting, it became clear that the size of the field is insufficient to meet the needs of all potential users. We are therefore planning that the park will be for under 12's, with 2 separate play areas for toddlers and older children. We are also considering the installation of Adult Outdoor Gym Equipment, that you can see in many parks, including Deepway at Exminster.

How can you get involved?

- The next step is to gather ideas from the Community about what they would like to see in their new Community Field. This will be done by visits to the children at Kenn CofE Primary School & Kennford Playbox in March and April 2019, and via a 4 question online parish survey, which can be found at www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/PPSYBKN until 30th April 2019
- The Community ideas will then be incorporated into a Brief which will be sent to play park manufacturers and installers.
- Once we have received preliminary designs, we will hold a drop-in open morning at the Kenn Centre to enable the Community to feedback on the proposed design plans.

We look forward to hearing from you and sharing in this fantastic development for our village!

Kenn Parish

Scarecrow Festival 2019



**Saturday 13 and
Sunday 14 July 2019**

To enter your scarecrow please complete the form available from Kennford Stores, Ley Arms, Exeter Court Hotel and Kenn Church. Full rules can be found on the entry form. Entries close on 7 July.

Entry fee only £5 adult, £2.50 children. Prizes to be won.

Why not enter and show how creative you can be? Let's fill the parish with a magnificent display of scarecrows. Remember what fun it was last time!

Cream Teas & Plant Stall in Kennford School from 2 pm daily



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