

Haldon Views

Bi-Monthly FREE NEWSLETTER for the Parish of Kenn

April-May 2020

Coronavirus Restrictions

Many of the events planned in the community over the next two months have had to be cancelled.

This edition of **Haldon Views** was sent to the printers in March so anything printed here may be out of date on 1 April.

Please do not rely on what you read here. You will need to check any information.

A number of groups and individuals are working hard to ensure that those in our community who need help will be looked after over the coming weeks and months

Deadline for the next edition of **Haldon Views** 20 May 2020

“What’s On”, or rather, “what should be on but might not be”!

April

Art at Shillingford At Shillingford Village Hall on Fridays
Singing Group at St Andrew's Every Wednesday but may be cancelled.
Bridge Club Thursdays 2-5pm at the Kenn Centre
Exminster Film Club CANCELLED
Kenn Parish Council Meeting 7pm Tuesday 14 April at the Kenn Centre
WI Meeting CANCELLED
Coffee Morning at St Andrew's CANCELLED
Mothers' Union meeting Thurs 16 April at 2.30 at 2 Rayners Kennford
Words for Voices “Spring into Summer” Friday 24 April. Postponed

May

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Singing Group at St Andrew's Every Wednesday but may be cancelled
Bridge Club Thursdays 2-5pm at the Kenn Centre
Exminster Film Club CANCELLED
Kenn Parish Council Meeting Tues 12 May at the Kenn Centre
St Andrew's Coffee Morning CANCELLED
WI Meeting May CANCELLED.

Later in the Year – Church Village Fete Saturday 27 June Postponed

The Great Village Quiz Friday 2 October 2020

Put this date in your diary. This year there will a round entitled “The Oldest”
So as you are sat at home “self isolating” yourself, take the opportunity to do
some quiz studying!!



A prayer for those affected by coronavirus

God, our rock and shield, we pray for our land, and all nations and places in our world, as many endure the effects of the illness Covid-19 and the Coronavirus pandemic.

For those who are ill, grant healing;

for those who mourn the death of loved ones, bring comfort;

for those who care for the sick, grant strength and endurance;

for those who are isolated or whose livelihoods are threatened, give courage and hope;

for all who take difficult decisions, from governments to health practitioners, give wisdom and compassion to accompany the knowledge and experience that they bring.

Deliver us from this disease, we pray, and enable all nations and communities to grow in collaboration and unity as we face this challenge together.

Grant a legacy of enduring common purpose in facing all that threatens our global common good.

We pray in Jesus' name, in the unity of the Spirit, Amen.



Exeter Court Hotel
Wedding Fair

Sunday, 10th May 2020
10:00am to 1:00pm

Arrival Drink and Canapes



Dear Friends,

I think we can safely say that the past week has been like no other for a long, long time - certainly not in my lifetime. From meeting in our Churches for worship last Sunday (albeit with precautions concerning sharing the Peace and taking the Chalice) we are at a stage where all Church worship is suspended, many people are now advised to self-isolate (including our retired clergy, pto Readers and a significant proportion of our congregations) and social-distancing has become the norm.

Information about how the Covid-19 pandemic affects our lives has been changing every day, it seems. The Church of England has responded to the announcements from Government and issued fresh advice and guidance to clergy when it has been available. You can check this updated guidance at the websites for the Church of England and the Exeter Diocese- <http://www.cofe.anglican.org> and <http://www.exeter.anglican.org> and follow the links to the Guidance on Covid-19 pages. The past few days have been something of an 'information overload' for me as I try to process the new guidance concerning (e.g.) PCC and Annual Meetings, Christenings, Weddings and Funerals and deal with the understandable concerns of those who have already booked Occasional Offices in the Mission Community Churches. The big question for our Churches is how do we maintain a Christian presence, for our members and in our communities? I am very grateful for the messages of support, offers of help and ideas that you have sent and will seek to address them all. As you would expect, this will be a marathon, not a sprint, and we will be taking gradual steps to see what can be done.

For the time being: St Andrew's (Kenn) will continue to be kept open as usual. St Martin's (Exminster) is being opened every day between 10 am and 4 pm so that people can come in to find some space and to pray (maintaining social distancing, of course). There are prayer booklets in St Martin's which people are invited to take home with them for their own use, and to avoid the spread of infection by passing them on to others. Thank you, Vanessa for providing these. These will be made available for Kenn as well.

We are also looking at ways of streaming worship online via Facebook. Vanessa has already done this for Exminster Connect. Tomorrow at 10 am I plan to lead a short time of worship and meditation which will be Live Streamed on Kenton's Facebook page. I am using Kenton on this occasion because I was due to go there on Sunday for Mothering Sunday anyway, and they have wi-fi in the building, but I am hoping that worship can be streamed from other Churches as well. To watch the broadcast go to All Saints' Church Kenton and Like the page. The live broadcast will start at 10 am on Sunday - you should get a notification when the live broadcast has started - failing that visit the All Saints Kenton Facebook page and you'll be able to join the broadcast. The full video will remain on the All Saints Kenton Facebook page to watch again or show to others after the 'live' service

has finished. The other thing we can all do is KEEP PRAYING. Tomorrow has been designated as a Day of Prayer by Churches Together in England, in which we are encouraged to pray for all those affected by the pandemic, and as a sign of that to light a candle in our window at 7pm on Sunday 22 March. I have attached to this email the notice that has been sent by the leaders of the Christian denominations in England together with a prayer that you may wish to use. (page 3)

As regards our own Church communities, do keep in touch with each other, through phone or email for example, so that members of our Churches do not feel cast adrift. We are still members of Christ's Body and spiritually members one of another, even if physically we are separated.

Also, take heart from the good work that this crisis has engendered. On Thursday Vanessa and I attended a meeting at Westbank who are co-ordinating a community-wide response to the locality (Exminster, Kenn, Kenton, Mamhead, Powderham and Starcross). People and businesses are willing to offer help where it is needed, and that is heart-warming to see.

Finally, this crisis will not last forever. We have had to face a rapid change in our lifestyles over the past few days, and things that we have hitherto taken for granted are now designated as 'off-limits'. This has been hard for everyone, but we will get through it. Remember that we are still in the season of Lent, a time of testing and discovery for us all. But Lent has a destination, for it leads to Holy Week and beyond to Easter. Things may get worse but they will get better, and we may discover that we are changed and that we grow through the experience and our Churches may emerge stronger.

I would like to share with you some words from Laurie Green – former Principal of the Aston Training Scheme, (my pre-Theological training course) and retired Bishop of Bradwell. He writes: This is why we venerate this season of Lent as a holy time of testing and self-assessment - the time to consciously venture out further still into the wilderness with our Lord - when we have to be sustained not by any absence of doubt and sorrow but simply by the self-determination to direct our whole will Godwards. That must be our faithful response. Only then will we realise that "True Wilderness" and "True Resurrection" are in fact (books) written by the same Author.

There will be more to say as things develop and I will try to keep you updated. Feel free to share this email with any of our congregation. I have sent this to Clergy, Readers and PCC members but please send on to the wider congregations - there are so many of you and no omissions are intended. Also, if you feel able to take on the role of disseminating emails to your particular Church members, please let me know so as many as possible can be kept in touch. In the meantime, keep safe and keep well.

The Peace of the Lord be always with you, John



News from the Holwells

We have just about settled into our new home on the outskirts of Banbury, still plenty to do, however we wanted to thank everyone in Kenn and Kennford who sent cards and online messages wishing us much happiness for the future. We are delighted with our house and now we are nearer to our family only one hour door to door....just far enough away.

Although the back garden is smaller it faces south west, after many years of a north facing garden its fantastic to see the sun (when it appears) in the back garden. Plus we have a bus service that runs every hour to Banbury or Chipping Norton.....oh joy! We have no through traffic being at the end of a cul de sac and it's very quiet....bliss!

The front of our house faces open fields with trees and shrubs, several years ago a metal detector found Roman artefacts in the field opposite all very interesting. Now there are several archaeologists investigating and excavating the remains of a Roman Villa possibly one of the biggest finds in the country, the size of Buckingham Palace or Taj Mahal! This probably means there will be no building of houses on this site. Although the workforce are not divulging anything you can go online and google Roman Villa Oxfordshire and it should appear; it makes fascinating reading.

Once again many thanks for all the kind messages received, very much appreciated.
We hope to be in Kenn again sometime the beginning of July.

Sue and Peter



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Bomber fighter and reconnaissance aircraft***

(Courtesy of Jim Ratcliffe)



Kenn Parish Council

**Next meetings Tuesdays 14 April & 12 May 2020 in the
Kenn Centre at 7pm**

Do come. It is your council and your parish, and your money that runs it all.
Get in touch – Penny Clapham on clerk@kennparishcouncil.co.uk

Cancelled until the restrictions are lifted



The Exminster Community Choir

The Exminster Community Choir has been going for over a decade, meeting every Wednesday from 7:00-8:30pm at the Westbank Community Centre.

The group is all-female and mixed age (but we are open to male members!). The focus is on having fun and no experience is necessary.

The choir is directed by Musical Director Riaz Ahmad. This is Riaz's first directing role; he also works as a singing teacher in schools and privately.

We use sheet music but we learn each song by ear and the repertoire is mixed - from gospel/soul (**Happy Day, Ain't No Mountain High Enough**), to modern pop (**Angels**) and traditional folk music and we are open to suggestions!

We always welcome new members so please come along for a session. The cost is £5 per session and there is no commitment to come every week. Try us once the restrictions are lifted.

Contact details: Riaz @ riazsinginglessons@gmail.com 0754 217 9490

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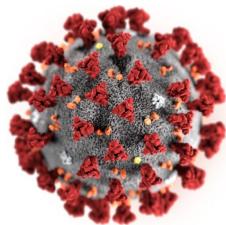


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davecurtisthfc@gmail.com

Recommended by Haldon Views Treasurer



The Ley Arms and The Seven Stars

Coronavirus: These pubs and restaurants are now offering delivery and takeaway service

Both the Ley Arms and Seven Stars are offering a delivery or take-away service. Having experienced the evening meal delivery I had on 20 March (the day pubs were told to shut their doors) I must give a glowing tribute to the staff at The Ley Arms. The food was up to the usual excellent standard, delicious, piping hot and so well packaged. Martin was bang on time with the agreed delivery slot. I would highly recommend the service to anyone – just give them a ring on 832341 or email: contact@theleyarmskenn.co.uk

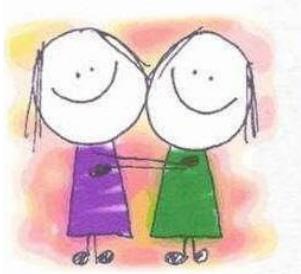
I am sure that the Seven Stars will provide an equally impressive offering but I have yet to try it.

Mervyn Hosking

'Friendship Lunch'

By Kate Richardson and friends

At the Norman Room, Kenn Centre, Kennford



Postponed until the Autumn

From mid-day until 2.30 pm

**Come and enjoy a delicious home cooked two course
lunch with tea or coffee and lots of good company**

**When the date is known to book your place
ring Kate on**

01392 832031 or 07751170517

The cost will be £6.00

Cancelled



HOLY WEEK

Please come along to these services at St Andrew's Church,
Kenn, bringing others with you.

Reflections, readings and music for

Maundy Thursday

9 April, at 7.30 pm

a time to be quiet and to reflect,
a time to be touched by readings and poetry,
a time to listen to music and join in song,
a time for prayer and a time for silence.

Music (flute and keyboard): Bee Aczel

Readers: Maureen Bate, Mark Dunn, Sarah Hales,
Mervyn Hosking, Dom Jinks, Zoe Legg, Kate Richardson,
John Wood

Service and reflections: led by Father Mark Bate

Good Friday

10 April

10am – 10.40 - All Age Morning Worship

10.50 - 11.30 – Traditional quiet service

**Everyone is welcome to both parts or either of our
Good Friday celebrations.**

For more information: 01392 833485

All the above services have been cancelled.

The details have been left in so you can see what was planned
for you and what you will be missing!

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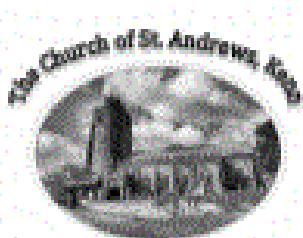
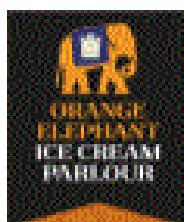
Facebook: Kenn & Kennford Events Page

In Print: local businesses and noticeboards

If you are a local business / charity with an event coming up ... email full details to calendar@kennparishcouncil.co.uk



Leyland, Great Barn, Great Cheverton



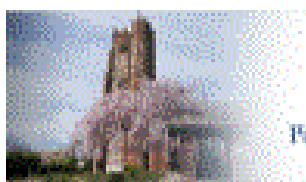
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THE VEG PATCH



Mother's UNION

Forestry England



Welcome to
Kenn
Parish Council



CORONAVIRUS UPDATE: FORCE CANCER CHARITY

FORCE Cancer Charity regrettfully announced on Tuesday March 17 the temporary closure of its Support and Information Centre in Exeter.

The charity will continue to offer telephone and video call support to local people affected by cancer.

The decision to close its Support Centre in the grounds of the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital was taken after consultation with clinical staff at the RD&E.

It follows the first reported cases of Coronavirus/Covid19 at the hospital.

All support services at FORCE's weekly outreach centres in Okehampton, Tiverton and Honiton were also stopped with immediate effect but chemotherapy treatment will continue as normal in all three towns for now.

People with cancer who are undergoing active chemotherapy or radiotherapy treatment may be among those at particular risk from Coronavirus.

FORCE will be regularly updating its website - www.forcecancercharity.co.uk - with news of how to access whatever support is available.

THE NUMBERS YOU MAY NEED

FORCE Cancer Nursing Team: 01392 406151

Psychological and emotional support: 01392 406168/406169



Sara Cartwright Art

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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’. Either reason will cheer up the whole parish.

Just contact Simon on 832462

St ANDREW'S CHURCH

Service Times All these services are cancelled. Shown here so you can see what was planned

April 4 th	PALM SUNDAY	10am PALM CELEBRATION
April 9 th	MAUNDY THURSDAY	9am Eucharist – said 7.30 – 8.45 “WATCH & PRAY” Readings, Music, Prayer by Candlelight
April 10 th	GOOD FRIDAY	10am All Age Service “Three Witnesses” 10.45 Quiet traditional Service
April 12 th	EASTER DAY	9.30 EASTER CELEBRATION
April 19 th	EASTER 2	10am Sung Eucharist followed by Annual Church Meeting
April 26 th	EASTER 3	8.15 Eucharist
May 3 rd	EASTER 4	10am Morning Worship
May 10 th	EASTER 5	8.15 Eucharist
May 17 th	EASTER 6	10am Sung Eucharist
May 24 th	Sunday after Ascension	8.15 Eucharist
May 31 st	PENTECOST	10am Sung Eucharist

“What is Maundy Thursday” That is what someone asked the other day. And thank God for that! It is so easy for people like me to use Churchy jargon and assume that people know what I’m talking about. So don’t ever be afraid to ask.

Anyway. **Maundy Thursday** is the Thursday of Holy Week. What is **Holy Week** ?

It is the week before **Easter Day**. It begins with **Palm Sunday** when we remember Jesus riding into Jerusalem on a donkey with people waving palm branches. We commemorate that by distributing Palm Crosses. On Maundy Thursday we remember the Last Supper when Jesus washed the disciples feet and began the Eucharist or Communion service. He them spent the night in prayer in the garden of Gethsemane. That is why the church often has ceremonies of foot washing, a special Eucharist and a time of Watching and Praying quietly in Church.

Good Friday marks the trial, torture, crucifixion and death of Jesus. It is such a terrible memory that the Church has never quite decided how to commemorate it. In fact Christians have got very lazy about commemorating it at all. This year at St Andrew’s we are doing things a bit differently from previous years:-

Maundy Thursday (April 9th) at 7.30 “Watch and Pray” a service of quiet readings, poems and reflections with music. If you have ever enjoyed “Words for Voices” at Christmas, you will find this a similar format. If you long for quiet, peace and the “beauty of holiness” then a lot of people are working very hard to achieve this.

All these services are cancelled

Churchwarden's Jottings

Simon Preece



At times like this I need a crystal ball. The sun is shining through the windows. It's mid- March but will be 1 April when you read this.

St Andrews planned many exciting events for the next couple of months but most have now been cancelled or postponed!

Easter is on 12 April, but before that there is Palm Sunday 5 April and Maundy Thursday 9 April. There was to be a very special service organised by Sarah Hales, of Words for Voices fame. The Service would have combined reflections, readings and music. Sadly all services at St Andrew's have been cancelled for the foreseeable future.

Talking of Words for Voices, they were coming back with a Spring into Summer version along with the Devon Waites Choir. This was to take place on Friday 24 April. Now postponed to a later date. Looking on to May, an ideal time to hold a barn dance, Annie Jinks did volunteer her services in organising this event. The dance was to be held in May but is not now going ahead.

The month of June is a village fete time. Ours was planned for Saturday 27 June. The fete has been postponed to a later date. When it happens you'll find all the traditional activities present - a wonderful brass band, delicious cream teas and cakes organised by the WI, thank you, Polly. The Dog Show is a firm favourite. There will be stalls, where you can buy all sorts of things such as Orange elephant ice cream, thanks, Rob. And much, much more. Look out for the revised date!

I will be looking for help in setting up the fete on the Friday afternoon before the day. Help for a couple of hours would be great. This is a major fundraising event for our parish church.

2019 was a good year fundraising at St Andrew's, thanks entirely to some very dedicated and hard-working residents. I have a feeling 2020 is going to be very challenging. Perhaps it is now that we'll need St Andrew's. Prayer can be very powerful.

Barbara is still looking for recruits in the bellringing department. Bellringing is a great way of keeping fit, socialising and keeping an ancient tradition alive. Give Barbara ring on 01392833145.

This winter we have had more than just the odd storm. Most of February the wind did blow. So hard that it damaged the flag on the flagpole. The only way to repair it was to lower the flagpole down - no easy job at the top of a windy church tower. Never fear there is a band of men in the village once asked for help will always come and do. One afternoon a team of 4 soon had it sorted. The flagpole down, rope for the flag sorted, new flag and flagpole back in position. Thanks to John W, Tony B, Andy L, and Philip R.

It's good to see St Andrews is being used by another group of people on a regular basis. They sound very good! Every Wednesday evening, from 7.30 till 9pm you'll find, in St Andrew's, a village choir. No, not a church choir. Not hymns and stuff, but a wide range of popular songs and tunes. If you like a singsong, go on give it a try. Once we are allowed to meet in groups



Summer Sketching Course

It's still quite hard to imagine, but early Summer is just around the corner and Devon will look splendid in her springtime finery. What better time to get out your sketching kit and try to do justice to the loveliness before you?

The Art Class at Shillingford Village Hall will be focussing on preparing for just that this term. **Classes begin on Friday 1 May at 2pm.**

Artists of all abilities are very welcome to join us. Five week term £48/ 060s £45, Details from Mike McDonald on 01626 891245 or visit mikemcdonald.co.uk

Parish Rainfall Statistics Jan.20 94mm or 3.76ins



(Jan 2019 was 45mm or 1.8ins)

Feb 20 232mm or 9.28ins

(Feb 2019 was 35mm or 1.40ins)

Between 9-15 Feb this year 98mm of rain fell and flooding occurred in the valley. Feb's rain was the highest I have recorded in 7 years. The previous highest was in 2018 212mm.

As the song goes "So keep on looking for a Blue Bird and listening for his song. When ever APRIL showers come along"!!



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Minestrone Soup



Ingredients for 4 people

1 Onion

1 Clove of garlic

2 Sticks of celery—chopped and de-strung

1 tbsp of good olive oil

1 large tin of chopped potatoes

Half tsp of Oregano

2 tsp fresh rosemary

If you have none of these, 3 tsp of Herbes de Provence

3 oz of green pepper, cored, de-seeded and chopped

4 oz of chopped carrot

1 and a half pints of chicken or vegetable stock

3 tbsp of tomato puree

1oz of noodles or spaghetti or short cut macaroni

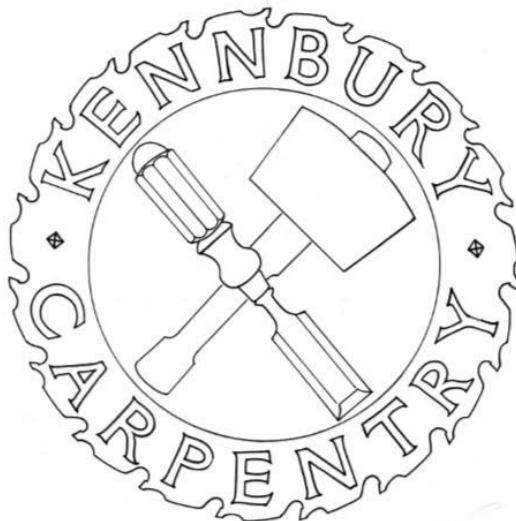
1 dessertspoon soy sauce

Fresh ground pepper and 1 tbsp fresh parsley

Gently fry in a large pan, onion, crushed garlic and celery in oil until soft. Add tomatoes, chopped vegetables, herbs, stock and tomato puree. Simmer for approx. 40 mins with the lid on. Add noodles or pasta, soy sauce and pepper. Simmer uncovered for 15 mins. Add parsley as you serve.

Serve with crusty bread and some good cheddar cheese. This is a meal in itself and just right in this cold, wet spring we are having.

Maureen Bate



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KENN AND KENNFORD



WI MATTERS

Kenn and Kennford WI

Lady Katherine
Or
Rosemary



A Tudor Rose



WI Matters continued

Despite the dreadful weather we managed a pretty good turnout for our February meeting. General business over, we welcomed a lady from the past, Lady Katherine Tudor aka Rosemary Griggs, in full Tudor costume which was fabulous. Rosemary tripped in and out of her 'alter ego' and gave us a wonderful taste of how it would be to live as a lady in Tudor times. Lady Katherine was betrothed to Otho Gilbert, a nobleman, when she was 12. With him she had three children and was remarried after he died to Walter Raleigh (no not that one but his father!!) She went on to have 3 more children, then living in East Budleigh, this union did bring forth Sir Walter Raleigh!

We were regaled with tales of life in Compton Castle and the former Greenway.

We also had discussion of Lady Catherine's fine garments, down to her shift and care of said garments and how they would turn garments around, add sleeves etc. Apparently Queen Elizabeth I had hundreds of sets of sleeves and was sewn into her clothes by ladies -in- waiting. No Velcro in those days.

Elizabeth I governed what colours and clothes/fashions could be worn by bringing out the Sumptuary Laws. Important people wore bright colours and fine silk but all were very careful with their clothes and even left them to specific people in their wills.

Fine ladies hung their clothes in cupboards originally privies. This is thought to be so the ammonia coming off the privy would fumigate the clothes.

We also learnt names of items of clothing, altogether fascinating. Oh yes and the bustle, in those days was known as a "bum roll"!!!! Very few ladies wore drawers or sat down, as the full hooped skirts made it difficult to sit. Is that too much information?

Anyway, we gave a donation, for this very entertaining talk, to the National Trust, which is the organisation that Rosemary works for.

After the talk we had tea and biscuits and Rosemary judged the competition which was to make a Tudor Rose in any medium.



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

These are the choices of Jim Ratcliffe



- 1) Intermezzo, from Cavalleria Rusticana, by Pietro Mascagni

This is my favourite piece of music of all time. There is nothing more lovely.

- 2) The Holy City, by Sir Harry Secombe

Harry was a great Welsh singer and as my late wife, Honor, was Welsh it always resonated with us both.

- 3) Yesterday, by Matt Munro

I just like his voice

- 4) Forgotten Dreams, by Leroy Anderson

First heard in Greece with Honor and has always been a firm favourite with us both.

- 5) You're the Only Good Thing That's Happened to me, by Jim Reeves

Probably the public's favourite. What a rich mellow voice!

- 6) My Way, by Frank Sinatra

I started from nothing and in 1947 formed my company Kennford Electrical Services which traded for 73 years and as it was just me, I did it my way.

- 7) I Believe, by David Whitfield

I like the words and it reminds me of my faith.

- 8) The Beautiful Blue Danube, by André Rieu

Honor and I used to sit and listen to his complete concerts. He is a genius.

- 9) 1812 Overture, by Tchaikovsky

It's a classic

(We allowed Jim 9 choices. One for each of his decades)

My single choice would have to be Intermezzo and my one luxury would be my piano, with a solar panel to charge it!



Boxing Day Football

On Boxing Day 2019, 24 hardy souls (and spectators) shook off their Christmas induced inertia to run around a muddy field chasing a round object. Although traditionally this would have been an inflated pig's bladder, the round object was a football kindly donated by Pete Phillips.

A competitive game was finally decided by a penalty shoot-out but I have no idea which team was victorious. As they say, football was the winner and also JDRF for which charity the princely sum of £85 was raised.

Special thanks to Bruce for the loan, once again, of his field.

Matthew Shanks



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Mr Matthew Shanks
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News from the MOTHERS' UNION Branch at St. Andrew's, Kenn (with Exminster) **Mothers' UNION**

At our meeting in February at the home of Jane Bell, members heard the Reverend Caroline Luff give The Mothers' Union Theme talk "Building Hope and Confidence", which was well received. This theme is actually an extension of MULOA, where members are encouraged to watch what is going on in their surroundings, to identify where we may be able to help.

Our next meeting was held Thursday 12 March at 'Greystones', Kenn, home of Sarah Baker. This included a discussion on the Mothers' Union Appeal to donate towards "Gifts That Grow" to help empower women, children and communities worldwide to tackle the challenges they face and make positive changes that grow and last.

On Friday, 27 March Cathedral Prayers took place, organised by the West of Exe Cluster, which includes our branch, members were encouraged to do drop in for half an hour.

Our March meeting, at 'Greystones' was well supported and we welcomed Lesley Thurley, an MU Trustee, to explain the new concept 'Communities of Interest'. This scheme replaces the previous MU Units where members were involved as a group. Members will now be involved individually, not as a branch, depending on their particular interests, either practically or by prayer.

Letters of thanks to MU were read out from grateful mothers around the world who have benefitted from MU programmes on parenting, budgeting, hygiene and education. A collection raised £89.50 for 'Gifts that Grow' the current MU Mothering Sunday appeal. £7.50 will be sent for a Gift of Confidence to give women in Rwanda the skills to speak and lead, together with £82.00 for a Gift of Peace to provide trauma healing workshops to victims of civil conflict in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Our next meeting will be at 2.30 p.m. on Thursday 16th April at 2 Rayners, Kenn, home of Anne Hawken.. Janet Jones will speak on the subject of 'Away from it all' the MU scheme which provides holidays for families in need of a break.



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So why not give it a try? You don't have to come every time, there is absolutely no formality and just because it's held in church, that's just for convenience. It's 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)

All coffee mornings cancelled until September 2020



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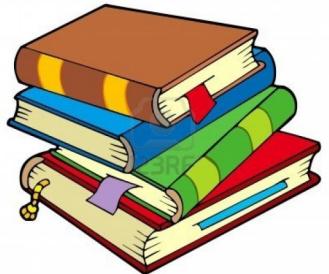
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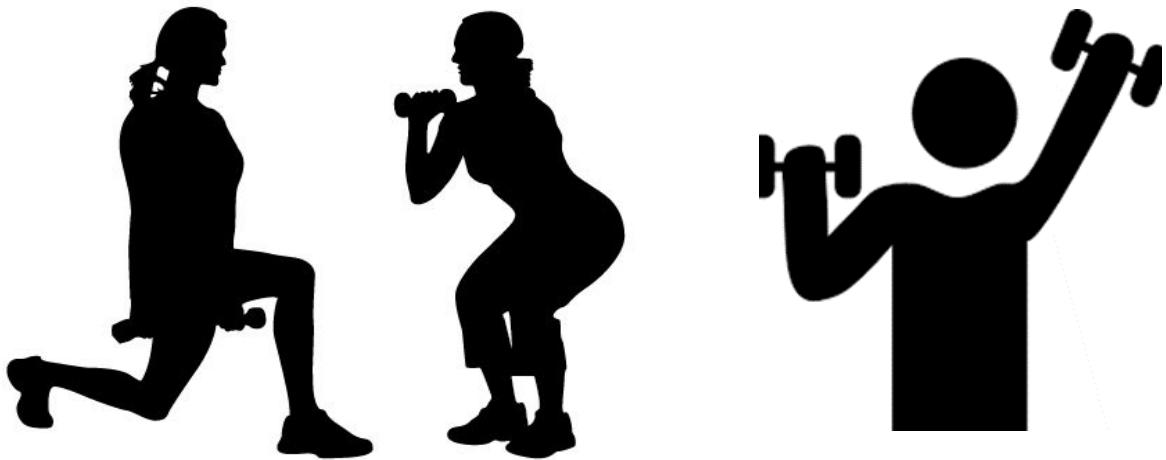
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This was to be a notice saying that Bruce at Rollestane Farm was opening a friendly recreational gym, originally on 1 May but for the moment with the pesky virus about it is obviously on hold.

Sometime in the future we may be able to get about again and that might be the time to move our bodies again with some gentle exercise in Bruce's Gym.

With the bikes, rowing machines, light weights and other gadgets it should do us a power of good. You could even go for a nice uphill walk to the field behind the pond to take a different view of the village when you get to the top.

The recreational gym will be for all ages and abilities - just a bit of gentle exercise and enjoyment.

It will also be very inexpensive with the first month on a 'look, see and use' basis being absolutely free, whenever that may be. Who knows?

For enquiries contact Bruce on 832150 or 07802856246 when the time is right.



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