

# Haldon Views

Bi-Monthly FREE NEWSLETTER for the Parish of Kenn  
October-November 2019

## October

**Bridge Club Thursdays 2-5pm at the Kenn Centre**

**Corporate Communions** Wed 2 Oct 10am at St Martin's and Thurs 3 Oct at 9am at St Andrew's

**Art at Shillingford** Friday 4 October at 9.45am

**Harvest Festival** at St Andrew's Sunday 6 October at 11am

**Kenn Parish Council Meeting** 7pm Tuesday 8 October at the Kenn Centre

**The Grand Duke** 8-12 October at the Barnfield Theatre

**Community Event Calendar meeting** Wed 9 October 7pm at the Kenn Centre

**Mothers' Union meeting** Friday 11 October at 2.30pm at Copper Beeches

**The Great Village Quiz** Friday 11 October at the Kenn Centre

**WI Meeting** Tuesday 15 October (Westcountry tales)

**Coffee Morning** at St Andrew's 10am-noon Thursday 17 Oct

## November

**Classics Galore** Saturday 9 November at the Great Hall, Exeter University

**Kenn Parish Council Meeting** 7pm Tuesday 12 November at the Kenn Centre

**Service of Remembrance at St Andrew's** 10.50am Sunday 10 November

**St Andrew's Coffee Morning** Thursday 14 November at 10.30am –noon

**WI Meeting** Tuesday 19 November at the Kenn Centre. (RNLI)

**Xmas Fayre** at the Kenn Centre Saturday 30 November

## Later in the year

**Carols at the Ley** Thurs 19 December

**Christmas Tree Festival** 13-14-15 December at St Andrew's

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at the **St Andrew's Xmas Fayre**  
on **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November**

If you can contribute, please contact  
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**Thank you.**

## A Village Wedding - 24 August 2019

We would like to thank everyone who helped to make the wedding of Harry Gaydon and Saffron Perkin such a lovely day.

The weather played a massive part and thankfully was glorious.

It was great to see so many friends outside the church and especially nice for the Perkin family, together with the bridesmaids and flower girl, on their walk to the church.

Thank you to all the church committee. It was so lovely to see friendly faces on our arrival at church and, indeed, everyone was made to feel very welcome.

The bells ringing and the organ playing always make an event. Our thanks to you all.

After a long time in the planning our day could not have been better and I'm sure Harry and Saffron will look back on it with very fond memories. How lucky we are to live in such a friendly, caring village – thank you one and all xx



# When Harry met Saffie !

Prior to the 19 Century, young men, particularly in rural areas, travelled very little. Only the rich could afford horses or horse and carriage transport. When it came to looking for “Love”, young men rarely strayed outside their own village. However, with the invention and development of the bicycle in the late 19th and early 20th Century, men began to look further afield. For the first time in history, they could cycle to other villages and check out the available young ladies!

Today, with travel and movement part of everyday life, couples can be created from any area of the country, or even the world. But that's not always the case.

The village of Kenn saw a truly “Village Wedding” when Harry and Saffron wed at St Andrew’s in August . As the bridal procession made its way through the lanes, many village folk turned out to admire the Bride (and Bridesmaids, especially Roxie) and show their support for a memorable village union! (Good job Harry never learned to ride a bike)!





## **The Church Floodlights**

**shone through the night  
to celebrate Harry and  
Saffron's wedding**

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**



## Well we did it!

62 training sessions, 80 hours and 37 minutes on the bike, 1204 miles ridden, 49,485 ft climbed and 38lbs lost, all in preparation for the big day.

The ride started at 7.20am from the Olympic Park and headed through the centre of London past a lot of the famous sights. The weather was kind to us, sunny and warm and the traffic free roads were a great experience.

We headed through the Surrey countryside where we took on the famous hills, Leith and Box. They were nothing like our Devon hills and we conquered them well. Then it was back into London down the home straight of the Mall to the finish.

It was an experience of a lifetime riding alongside 30,000 other riders, the atmosphere was fantastic and after giving it our all, with bloody sweat and tears, we completed the course in 6 1/4 hours.

I want to take the opportunity to thank each and every one who donated and supported myself and Ian along the way.

With generous donations and a sausage sizzle to boost the funds we raised £1540.00 for The Dystonia Society and £350 for St Andrews, Kenn.

**Thank you  
Ross and Ian**

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**A Lover’s Dream**

I’ve travelled a long and lonely footpath  
from happiness to despair  
Hoping that every thoughtful moment  
I’d find you waiting there  
Maybe one day my hope will come true  
Then I’ll know that sometimes dreams do come true

**By Jim Ratcliffe**

## The Annual Kenn Golfing Boys (KGB) Open. (Held once a year)



September saw the long awaited KGB Open 2019. Six honed athletes braved testing conditions to compete once again for coveted trophies. This year, as we plan to leave Europe, it was decided to hold the event further afield. Last year's champion, John Vliestra, was sent across the channel to seek out a venue. As soon as he was airborne the rest of the KGB decided to hold the competition here in the UK. So, sadly, JV was not able to defend his title.

The day arrived. Cases were packed. Clubs secured for transport and fond farewells exchanged with loved ones. In the early hours of the morning the excited players set off for the arduous journey to ..... Honiton Golf Club.

Right on time (unusual) the 6 players Tee'd off. Hugh Plummer, Pete Phillips and young Luke Carr led the way. John Wood, Simon Preece and rooky golfer, Tony Bale, followed. As always, the competition was intense. Refreshments and 'medical checks' were taken at regular intervals but somehow all the players managed to complete 18 holes (Unusual)

The KGB Open trophy was won by Hugh, with John and Simon coming 2nd and 3rd.

Hugh also won the "Nearest the Pin" trophy and, for the first time ever in the competition, he managed to land his tee shot actually on the green. Those lucky enough to witness it said it was like watching the first moon landing in 1969.

Pete won the "Longest Drive" trophy. He was the only one of the 6 to land his ball actually on the fairway.

Young Luke and John won the "Pairs" trophy. Their combined score of 53 easily beat the nearest score of 44

Simon was unanimously voted "Driver of the Day" His handling of the Buggy was impeccable. Only to be expected of a Motorhead.

The final award went to new golfer Tony who easily won the "Hair colour best matching his golf shoe colour" award. (White).

The tired and exhausted players left Honiton to return to The Ley for the traditional post match feast of Beer, Cider and Cheesy chips. Before reaching the Ley, one car had to return to Honiton to collect a lost golf club which had been found by a young person who still has a memory.

A great day's golf, in great weather. Thanks to Honiton Golf Club and the Ley for looking after us so well. The presentation of the trophies has been delayed until JV returns from Europe so he can have the pleasure of presenting the Open Cup to his friend and playing partner Hugh. An emotional JV said, "Did you check Hugh's score"

# The Mystery of Cowick Street EXETER



Walk west along Cowick Street and you come to an ancient church of St Thomas. Below the first window facing the road is a large white stone plaque with a cross at the top. But this is no grave stone. This is a memorial to the heroism of Grace Darling in 1838.

1838 Exeter was a prosperous Cathedral city but no electricity and no telephones. It was the end of the Regency period, with the universal penny post and the railway system soon to arrive. In June of that year an 18 year old young woman became our Queen for the rest of the century.

1838. Up in Northumberland, on the edge of the wild North Sea, Grace Darling lived with her father, the keeper of the Longstone Lighthouse, on the rocky Farne Islands but without electricity or phones. Even the National Lifeboat Institution was only recently established and powerful lights were a thing of the future.

1838. 7 September huge storms in the North Sea. The paddle ship SS Forfarshire was driven onto rocks in the Farne Islands. Seeing there were people still alive, Grace and her father risked their own lives by rowing out in their tiny coble. Despite the storms they saved 9 survivors from certain death. Grace was hailed as a national heroine and she received a letter from the young Queen Victoria. Sadly Grace died from TB in 1842.

2019 The Mystery –How come this white memorial stone is here in Exeter? The Farne Islands are 400 miles away but the memorial stone has been refurbished three times. The stone itself gives some clues. Erected in 1845 by kind permission of the Vicar and Churchwardens it has been restored by subscription in 1869, 1911 and 2003.

What has been the connection between Grace Darling in the Farne Islands and St Thomas Church Cowick Street, Exeter for the last 174 years?

Ian Goodrick

## Kenn Village Flower Baskets



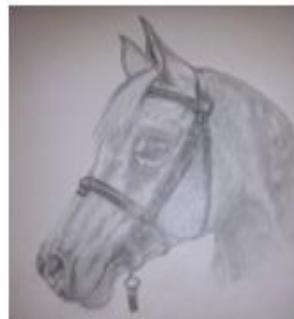
For over 10 years I have been planting, watering and generally tending the 3 flower tubs stationed at the road entrances to Kenn. Sometimes they have presented a colourful and cheerful welcome to the village and on other occasions they have been a dismal failure.

I was wondering if someone would now like to take on this task. Green fingers are not essential – just a bit of plant knowledge and a few minutes each week for maintenance. I am sure that someone out there would find it a very rewarding experience. Please let me know if you would like to help.

Mervyn Hosking  
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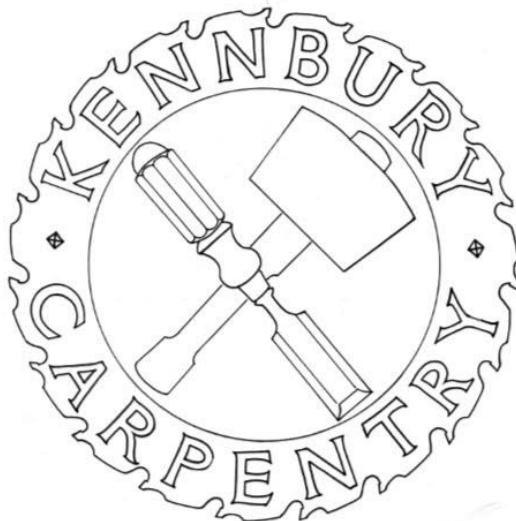
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**CLASSICS GALORE! will be back on Saturday 9 November 2019,  
7.30pm at The University of Exeter Great Hall.**

The evening of popular classical music is in aid of FORCE Cancer Charity and features familiar and uplifting tunes. The Classics Galore! Orchestra will perform alongside the award-winning SW Comms Band from Lympstone and singers from Exeter's St David's Players and Ottery St Mary Choral Society. The musical programme concludes with a rousing Last Night of the Proms style finale that's guaranteed to get the audience singing along.

The Terrace Bar of the Great Hall will be open from 5.15pm for those who would like to have a meal before the concert and there will be free shuttle buses running between the Great Hall and car parks A & B for concert patrons. Please visit [www.classicsgalore.co.uk](http://www.classicsgalore.co.uk) for more details.

Tickets will be available online from July 1<sup>st</sup> at [www.classicsgalore.co.uk](http://www.classicsgalore.co.uk) and on sale from Exeter Visitor Information & Tickets (EVIT), Dix's Field office. 01392 665885 or by e-mail [evit@exeter.gov.uk](mailto:evit@exeter.gov.uk)



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# COMMUNITY EVENT CALENDAR

INVITATION: PLANNING EVENING

ALL BUSINESSES, GROUPS AND MEMBERS OF THE  
COMMUNITY ARE INVITED TO ATTEND

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OCTOBER

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9

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7:00 PM

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These are Howard Milton's choices

**Disc 1. WILLIAM TELL OVERTURE by Rossini**

Theme to the Lone Ranger TV programme. The most memorable TV programme I watched as a child. Promoting positivity, good deeds and interracial unity for the good. At the time it was just a good "Cowie".

**Disc 2. WE SHALL OVERCOME by Joan Baez**

Heavily linked to the Civil Rights Movement in America and adopted by just about every people's campaign in the 1960's.

**Disc 3. TWIST AND SHOUT by the Beatles**

One of the early Beatles recordings who had an enormous influence on millions of teenagers, including myself.

**Disc 4. WILD THING by The Troggs**

All the more memorable as this summer England hosted and won The World Cup (Football).

**Disc 5. MAN OF THE WORLD by Fleetwood Mac (Peter Green).**

**Disc 6. BIG YELLOW TAXI by Joni Mitchell**

People were singing about protecting and saving the planet back in 1971. (Don't it always seem to go that you don't know what you've got till it's gone).

**Disc 7. STAIRWAY TO HEAVEN by Led Zeppelin**

Great poetry accompanied by beautiful music.

**Disc 8. WHO'S GONNA DRIVE YOU HOME by The Cars**

Live Aid 1985. Watch, Listen and Weep. Then do something positive!

Thank you John for reminding me about the early part of my life and the deep impact that music has on our lives.

My single disc of choice:- **STAIRWAY TO HEAVEN. Led Zeppelin**

My luxury – A GOOD READ.



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# KENN AND KENNFORD



## WI MATTERS

### Kenn and Kennford WI

August saw us once more on the lawns of Splatford, congregating for the annual tournament. Mallets ready and a few ground rules (not many) and we were off, guided by Peter when we got a bit unruly, which was quite often. We had two teams of six or so. I wasn't quite sure who was in which team as some seemed to be playing more than others. A bit like the Alice in Wonderland croquet match (but much more fun)! Anyway, our visiting Aussie Juliet (Joan's friend) won the individual and we are not sure which team won because we had wine. Cheese and more wine followed and donations were given for Macmillan Cancer Care.

September brought our now annual "Grand Potato Weigh In". Gallant ladies planted one seed potato on Good Friday, in any receptacle available. This year we had 15 contestants ,brilliant! It's fascinating because pots range from small to huge and this does not bear relation to the end product. This time we had drinks whilst weighing on Suzanne's now famous goose scales. Thanks to Sue W, Maggie and Ruth and Bernie for tipping out into the trailer and scrabbling around for the spuds. Weights ranged from 8oz to 6lbs 7oz.

I did a bit of arithmetic and found that our 15 seed potatoes yielded 57lbs 4oz of spuds, some huge!!!

Results Cissie 1st 6lbs 7oz, Pam 2nd 6lbs 3oz , Sue B 3rd 5lbs 15oz, Hazel B 4th 5lbs 14oz. All results will be put on website and shown at next meeting.

Cissie was presented with the magnificent cup and we then had more cheese and wine, donations again for Macmillan Cancer Care. I am proud to say that we raised an amazing £110 from both events which I will send to Macmillan in conjunction with their coffee morning. Thank you everyone for your generosity. Well done everyone. See you next year  
Sue Bretherton x



## Kenn and Kennford WI (Continued)

### September meeting.

We came back after our summer break, although many of us had met up for other fun things mentioned in August.

We started our meeting with a minute's silence in respect for our dear friend Anna who died recently. Anna did so much for and contributed to so many aspects of our WI

We then had our usual business and there are lots of things to look forward to this winter. We have our birthday celebrations in November. A visit to the Hotter shoe shop (after hours of course).

A meal suggested at Exminster Golf Club also in November. Names to committee soon to get an idea of numbers.

Cissie won the "Potato Weigh In", see separate account for that and the Croquet evening. We sent a donation for Macmillan nurses of £110 from donations from these two events. Thank you ladies.

We then had a lovely 'hands on' craft session with Sam Brown. We made some lovely felt flowers. Some felting and others from cut out felt. Lots of people made poppies and donated some to the Exmouth poppy appeal, currently ongoing.

Sue asked for helpers for the Christmas fair at the Kenn Centre on 30 Nov for the village craft and more importantly, stuff to sell! Please let her or Pat know if you can contribute or help. Joan asked if anyone knew of anyone wanting to run a stall other than our own village craft stall.

The Competition was won by Jean

Flower of Month was won by Lizzie

That's all folks Sue Bretherton





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Paul 834737 or Simon 832462

## Christmas Fayre

Sat 30 Nov 10.30 – 1.00 Kenn Centre

Contributions from Crafters & Artists for  
the Village Craft Stall and, on the day,  
cakes & biscuits, will be most welcome.

Thank you



# Apple Tart with Calvados

## Ingredients:

3 large apples (I used a crisp red eating apples)  
 2-3 tbsp calvados  
 caster sugar, for sprinkling  
 150 ml apricot jam,  
 warmed to make a glaze



## For the sweet pastry:

200g plain flour. A pinch of salt. 100g butter. 100g caster sugar. 1 egg, yolk. 2-3 tbsp cold water

## For the frangipane:

100g butter. 100g sugar. 2 eggs. 50g flour, sifted. 75g ground almonds.

**METHOD** Preheat the oven to 200°C/Gas 6. First make the sweet pastry. Sieve the flour and salt into a mixing bowl. Rub in the butter until the mixture resembles breadcrumbs. Add the yolk and cold water and bring the mixture together to form a ball of pastry. Cover and chill for 30 minutes.

Roll out the pastry as thinly as possible. Line a greased 27cm loose-based flan dish with the pastry. Prick the bottom of the pastry case thoroughly with a fork. At this stage I usually bake the pastry blind for about 15 minutes then remove from oven to cool slightly.

To make the frangipane, cream the butter and the sugar together thoroughly using a wooden spoon or hand mixer. Mix in the eggs one by one. Fold in the flour and the ground almonds and you could add a couple of teaspoons of Calvados to the mixture.

Spread the frangipane mixture evenly over the pastry case. Lay the apple slices in overlapping layers over the frangipane. Gently press the apple slices down. Sprinkle the rest of the Calvados. Bake for 15 minutes until the tart begins to brown.

Remove from the oven and sprinkle caster sugar evenly over the top of the tart. Reduce the oven temperature to 180°C/Gas 4. Return the tart to the oven and bake for a further 15 minutes until the sugar has caramelised.

Remove the tart from the oven and cool on a wire rack. Brush with apricot glaze.

Serve with Clotted Cream or Creme Fraiche.

Tried and tested, Sue Holwell



# **St ANDREW'S CHURCH**



## **SUNDAY SERVICES**

6 October HARVEST FESTIVAL                    11am Morning Worship (note later time)  
Followed by Bring and Share Lunch

13 October Trinity 17                            8.15am Holy Communion

20 October Trinity 18                            10am Sung Eucharist

27 October Last after Trinity                    8.15am Holy Communion

3 November ALL SAINTS                            10am Morning Worship

10 November Remembrance                        8.15am Holy Communion  
    10.50am REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

17 November 2<sup>nd</sup> before Advent                10am Sung Eucharist

24 November Christ the King                      8.15 Holy Communion

*"Remember, remember, the 5 November...." This is a great season for remembering. We remember by giving thanks, for the harvest and much besides. We remember the saints at the 1 November, all those who have belonged to Jesus Christ by faith and baptism, all our own dear departed. Then on the 10 November we remember those who gave their lives in the two World wars and later conflicts . The message all through is that we should pray to be able to be worthy of those who have gone before us.*

*We should also give thanks for our British inheritance. All are equal under the Law which the Queen both embodies and obeys. We have a democratic form of government. We have Institutions which protect the vulnerable and defend the right.*

*The way ahead for our Kingdom is not clear. We must PRAY very hard for wisdom and courage, but above all for kindness and understanding. Above all we should pray for those that we disagree with and those who will be hurt and disappointed if they do not get what they want.*

*God Save the Queen*



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## Churchwardens Jottings

St Andrews's celebrates its Harvest Festival on Sunday 6 October. Note that the time of the service will be 11am, followed by a Bring and Share lunch, a great opportunity to chat and eat.



The following weekend Friday 11 October, in the Kenn Centre, sees the ever popular "Great Village Quiz". You have still time to enter a team of up to 6 people. Bring your own liquid refreshment and pre-order a proper Cornish pasty. Forms back to my wife, Joanna, as soon as possible, please, as we need to submit that pasty order. This really is a great social evening. I wonder which team will win this year? The quiz is an important part of fundraising to assist us in meeting St Andrew's overheads, £19,000 to the common fund, £4000 Church insurance and that's before we pay for day to day running costs!!!. (Quiz entry form on page 39)

The last couple of months have reminded me, as churchwarden, how important St Andrew's is to all of us. We have seen a wonderful village wedding, beautifully done, bride walking to church and yes the sun did shine. And then there was a very moving memorial service for a dear loved one from the village. St Andrew's is being just the right backdrop for both of these commemorations.

I am sure that I am not alone in feeling that it has come as a great shock to hear the sad news of the sudden death of Geoff Hawken. I have known Geoff since the 1980s. He always came across as a person of immense knowledge in church matters. He was a font of all wisdom, who was happy to share that with us when asked. I consider myself very lucky, as a churchwarden of St Andrew's, to have had him at my side, providing guidance on the day to day running of St Andrew's and as a friend. As I said once at a concert in the church, every church should have a Geoff. I know that I speak for many when I say he will be greatly missed. My thoughts are with Anne, his wife, and the family, at this sad time.

Looking forward, Christmas is coming. Yes I hate to say that at the beginning of October but I love Christmas, especially all of the different services in church from carol services, midnight mass, Christmas Day and of course the Words for Voices concert. This all takes planning and will soon be here. Starting, of course, with the all-important Christmas Fair in the Kenn Centre on Saturday 30 November.

This year sees the return of the Christmas Tree Festival in the church over the weekend of Friday Saturday and Sunday 13th 14th and 15 December, with our traditional Carol Service on Sunday 15 December at 5.30pm. The Christmas Tree Festival is a great time to be creative with lights and decorations, so why not have ago this year, especially as the Christmas trees will remain in place longer than just the weekend. For more information about the Christmas Tree Festival contact Polly Davey on 01392 834822.

**Simon Preece, Churchwarden.**



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(Unfortunately we have no facilities for teaching beginners)



# 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'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)

## Next Coffee Morning-Thursday 17 Oct & 14 Nov



### 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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# Kenn Parish Council

**Next meetings Tuesdays 8 October & 12 November in the  
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# Thank You Bruce



I'm sure I write on behalf of all dog walkers in and around Kenn and Kennford when I say a big Thank You to Bruce Slade for allowing us to walk our dogs in his fields recently. It's been lovely to see our dogs running free and meeting up with other dogs and their owners. A real social experience for all of us.

Thank you Bruce!

Jane Henderson

## Kenn Parish Council

Kenn Parish Council is pleased to announce the acquisition of approximately 3 acres of land which is intended to be a community space. The meadow can be accessed via the Bulford Lane public footpath opposite Kennford Stores.

At this very early stage your Council is considering how the meadow can be best utilised for the enjoyment of everyone whilst complying with the flood prevention land restrictions put in place by the Environment Agency. Councillors welcome any ideas you may have and/or suggestions as to what the meadow should be called and invite you to send them to our Clerk, Penny, at [clerk@kennparishcouncil.co.uk](mailto:clerk@kennparishcouncil.co.uk). The intention is to hold a gathering of some description in the meadow to celebrate and enjoy the space as a community and further information will be circulated once this is arranged.

In the interim, please do go and explore the meadow. There are no signs at present but we do ask that dog walkers keep to the first part of the meadow (where paths have been cut) as Councillors would like to keep an area dog-free for children to play (this being the area the other side of the small stream which has been fully mowed). As always, please ensure to pick up after your dog (even if it is in the long grass) - there are dog poo bins at each end of the footpath (Kennford Stores and Partridges).

Kenn Parish Council looks forward to hearing from you with your ideas and suggestions and hope that you enjoy your new space!

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For information ring 03451551001 or email [www.devon.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.devon.gov.uk/libraries)

### Message to Town and Parish Council clerks.

This is just to let you know about this story that Devon County Council has published, on behalf of our economy team. They are looking for microbusinesses (businesses that have fewer than 10 employees), freelancers and sole traders, to take part in a research trial that aims to help businesses become more efficient. Businesses have until the end of the year to sign up to be part of the trial.

Here's a link to the story on our news website <https://www.devonnewscentre.info/micro-businesses-invited-to-be-part-of-a-research-trial-to-help-boost-efficiency/>

Please feel free to share it within your parish, and if you are able to include the story in any of your newsletters or Parish or Town Council magazines between now and the end of December 2019, that would be wonderful.

Kind regards Mike Bomford. Devon County Council

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

At the September meeting, Anne Hawken led the Wave of Prayer service, when the Mothers' Union prays for the work of members in the linked Dioceses of Barbados in the Caribbean; Oke-Osun in Nigeria; Pretoria in South Africa; North Mbale in Uganda and our own Exeter Diocese.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 11 October at 2.30 p.m. at 'Copper Beech', Kenn, home of Cissie Amos. Marigold Seager-Berry will speak on the subject 'MU@UN Firsthand - Experience'

An advance notice – the Diocesan Christmas Fair, in St. Stephen's Church, Exeter High Street will be held on Friday 29 November, 10am to 12 noon. Goods for sale will be welcomed, also your attendance as customers!

### Corporate Communions

Wednesday 2 October – 10 am at St. Martin's, Exminster.

Thursday 3 October – 9 am at St. Andrew's, Kenn.

Calling all walkers, dog walkers, runners and cyclists.

When out doing one of the above around our roads and lanes, if you see litter on the side of the road why not pick it up and dispose of it properly. We are lucky to live in this beautiful community.

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## 'The Grand Duke' by Gilbert and Sullivan - presented by St David's Players

Join St David's Players as they celebrate their 50th Anniversary with a special show for a special year.

In this last, and rarely performed piece by the Gilbert and Sullivan duo - '*The Grand Duke*'- discover a galaxy of hilarious characters, fast moving action, plenty of humour and a wonderful range of music -including a Viennese twist.

The story combines the worlds of a theatre company, the legal profession, espionage, matrimony and the glitter of a casino... all set in the 'well-known' Bavarian-style Duchy of Pfennig Halbfennig.

Prepare to enter a typically topsy-turvy Gilbertian world where eating a sausage roll could be more significant than you think; drawing a playing card from a pack could be life threatening and should you ever find it necessary –how to manage being simultaneously engaged to four different people!

Come and share a golden celebration with this production which will appeal to all ages, to G&S aficionados and to newcomers alike at The Exeter Barnfield Theatre - 8th - 12th October 2019 - nightly at 7:30 with a 2:30 matinée on Saturday 12th. Ticket prices - £16.50 standard; £15.00 Tuesday evening and Saturday matinée; concessions available for 60+, students, children and groups. (Box office - 01392 271808)

The Players are proud to be supporting Hospiscare and look forward to meeting you at the Barnfield Theatre.



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## Time for reflection - A favourite poem of Jim Ratcliffe

What is this life if, full of care,  
We have no time to stand and stare.

No time to stand beneath the boughs  
And stare as long as sheep or cows.

No time to see, when woods we pass,  
Where squirrels hide their nuts in grass.

No time to see, in broad daylight,  
Streams full of stars, like skies at night.

No time to turn at Beauty's glance,  
And watch her feet, how they can dance.

No time to wait till her mouth can  
Enrich that smile her eyes began.

A poor life this is if, full of care,  
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Wm. Henry Davies (1871-1940)

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