

# Haldon Views

Bi-Monthly FREE NEWSLETTER for the Parish of Kenn

## October-November 2021

### What's On?

Please check any dates/times you read in this edition.

#### October

**The Great Village Quiz** Friday 1 Oct 7.30pm at the Kenn Centre

**Service at St Andrew's** 10am Sunday 3 Oct Harvest Festival

**Service at St Andrew's** Sunday 10 Oct 8.15am

**Art at Shillingford** Shillingford Village Hall Friday 15 Oct

**Service at St Andrew's** 10am Sunday 17 Oct

**WI Meeting** at the Kenn Centre Tuesday 19 October

**Service at St Andrew's** Sunday 24 Oct 8.15am

**St Andrew's Bell Ringers "Open Tower"** Saturday 30 Oct from 2 – 4.30pm.

**Service at St Andrew's** 10am Sunday 31 Oct

#### November

**Service at St Andrew's** 10am Sunday 7 Nov

**Service at St Andrew's** Sunday 14 Nov 8.15 & Remembrance service at 10.50am

**WI Meeting** at the Kenn Centre Tuesday 16 November

**Concert at St Andrew's** The shanty singers Sat 20 Nov

**Service at St Andrew's** 10am Sunday 21 Nov

**Service at St Andrew's** Sunday 28 at 8.15am

Later this Year **Words for Voices concert** at St Andrew's  
(date to be fixed)

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





# WI MATTERS

## Kenn and Kennford WI

### Croquet at Splatford

As has become a custom we held our annual croquet 'tournament' at Splatford in late July. It was particularly lucky that we were able to be outside for most of the evening as per covid recommendations even though we had to add a few layers as the evening cooled.

Splatford rules again applied, manfully policed by Peter, who kept an eagle eye out for any outrageous cheating! A little occasional unnoticed second tap at a ball was allowed in special circumstances. We only managed one round, each of us had our own ball and mallets were shared. And no one managed a hoop in one, so as there were 17 of us in total, as one can imagine, there was much hilarity and giggling. The only thing that didn't happen this time was one of the dogs stealing a ball!!!

The winner of this tournament was Joan, who received the huge trophy, lovingly carved by Peter. Second was Polly and third was Maggie. Well done girls. Oh and I forgot, we had drinks before during and after play with cheese and grapes and bread .  
Well done ladies our W.I rocks.

### Splatford House 'Potato Weigh In'.

Again it's that time of year!!! In April many of us purchased one seed potato each and planted it in whatever receptacle we could find on Good Friday.

Over the next few months we nurtured our potato's. Some survived. Some got eaten and some sadly died but we soldiered on. Some grew as big as triffids but it wasn't the greenery that made the difference it was the spud underneath.

On 3 Sept we met at Splatford for the 'day of reckoning'. All sorts of containers were delivered via car, wheelbarrow or bicycle, during the afternoon.

At 6 pm we got out the famous goose scales (courtesy of Suzanne) and began. Each pot was tipped into the trailer and our band of helpers foraged in the compost for every last potato.

Some as big as a mug and some as small as a marble. The weight was recorded and a photo taken each time. We also had some wine and soft drinks to help us on our mission. Amazingly, counting two honorary members, Peter and John, we were 20 in total.

Our winner was Pat, with an amazing 8 lbs 9 oz. Second was Barbara P with 6 lbs 8 oz and third was me, with 6 lbs. I promised not to mention who won the booby prize !! She may kill me !

The cup will be presented on Pats return. (see Pat's picture overleaf)

We then repaired to the patio for more wine and cheese and other soft drinks.

I must mention that we had a donations box for this event and the croquet tournament which raised £145 for the Antony Nolan Trust. Thank you all you ladies who took part . The pictures overleaf are only some of you. Please don't be sad if you are not there. I have copies if anyone wants one.

**Sue Bretherton.**





## September Meeting

First proper meeting since covid!

Topic Haldon Belvedere .

We had a very good turnout for this meeting and a few guests.

The speaker was Dr Sue Knox and she gave us a fascinating journey on the origins and history of Haldon Belvedere or The Stringer Lawrence Memorial Tower as it is sometimes referred to.

Most of us have been there or walked around it and most of us love it. The talk included a history of Haldon House,( now The Lord Haldon Hotel)

The Lawrence Tower was built by Robert Palk in 1789 in memory of his friend General Stringer Lawrence. 1698-1775.

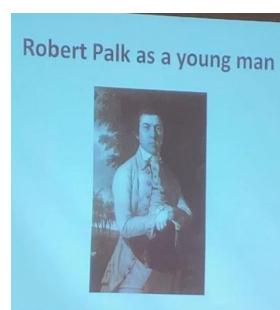
General Stringer Lawrence spent most of his time with the East India Company over many years. He first met Robert Palk in India when Robert went over with the navy as a chaplain. Together they did much to improve the army and trade,despite the french imprisoning the British at one time. Communications took time as the voyage to India was treacherous and could take up to a year, no phones or telegrams in those days. Eventually Robert who had made a fortune gave up the church, became commissary to the army, eventually returned to England and bought up much of the Teign Valley and Haldon House which he extended vastly. General Lawrence stayed with him frequently,in fact he retired there. They even had a royal visit from George 3rd with his family. There was a great party at the tower. They built a road specially so that the royal princesses did not have to walk up the hill in their satin slippers!

When Robert died his son took over the estate and the fortunes dwindled but he did provide many amenities in the Torquay area. Then the grandson, the second Lord Haldon, who was a bit of a dandy and gambler, inherited but soon went bankrupt,The house and tower were sold to the Barramore family and when her husband and sons died in the First World War she sold the estate in 1925.

Eventually the tower came to the Dale family who lived there for many years and it was taken over by the army in Second World War as a lookout post. The Dale brothers set up the Lawrence Stringer Memorial Trust.

This account is my interpretation of the talk and may not be entirely accurate .

However we are incredibly lucky to have this beautiful monument so close and so accessible to us all.    **Sue Bretherton**



## **FREE DRIVING WORKSHOP FOR SENIOR DRIVERS!**

Devon County Council and Red One share a mutual goal to reduce the number of collisions/deaths on our county's roads, at present we are focusing on helping senior drivers and have formed the **Driving Safer for Longer** partnership. Together we are committed to helping people to retain their independent mobility whilst remaining safe on the road and are currently offering **FREE** Driving Safer for Longer workshops.

Our **FREE** workshop is informal, interactive, fun and very informative. We offer various modules according to the requirements of the group, topics covered can include:

- Health
- Eyesight
- Highway Code
- Medical conditions
- Advice on aids to driving
- Speed and hazard awareness
- The challenges facing drivers today



For many older people in Devon, a driving licence is an important symbol of independence. Cars make it easier to go shopping, get to appointments, keep in touch with friends and attend social events - without having to rely on others. While some older drivers may be able to continue driving well into their 80s and 90s, it's important for them to regularly assess their driving and make adjustments if necessary. Driving is one of the most risky activities we are likely to do in our lives, and yet once we pass our driving test many of us have no further training. Driving techniques have and do change over the years.

### **How long do the workshops last?**

The workshops can last for a minimum of 45 minutes and a maximum of 1.5 hours, the choice is yours.

### **Do the sessions take place on set dates? If so, where?**

The workshops take place at a location, date and time that suits you. You will need to provide us with a venue to host the workshop, a community hall, drop in centre or church perhaps?

### **Is there minimum numbers for a workshop to go ahead?**

We would require a minimum of 10 delegates for a workshop to take place however there are no maximum numbers, the more the merrier!

### **How do I book?**

Follow this link to complete our online booking form, we will then contact you to organise your workshop. Please provide us with as many suitable dates as possible, this will help us fit you in. <https://www.red1drivertraining.co.uk/pages/free-driving-safer-for-longerAttached>

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We will also provide the workshop organiser with a **FREE** driving assessment. This one hour assessed drive with one of our approved friendly local driver instructors will give advice about your personal driving performance and a written report at the end the assessment. Many people use the assessment to give them peace of mind that they are still a competent driver, others use it to brush up on their driving skills. Driving assessments start from the delegates home and in their own car, they will be asked to drive the roads and routes they usually use.

**Please spread the message of this great initiative and forward this email to any other groups who may also benefit from this workshop. There is also a poster attached to this email, this can be printed out and displayed.**

**Megan Cox**  
**Business Support Administrator**



Westbank Community Choir is a women's singing group based in Exeter that has been running for over 10 years.

The Choir is currently looking for a new Musical Director, as current MD, Riaz Ahmad, moves on to pastures new.

The group is 10-15 strong and meets weekly on Wednesday evenings at the Westbank Centre. We are a non-auditioning group and members have tackled a wide range of material from pop, rock, gospel and classical.

The choir continues to meet weekly online during lockdown, but are keen to return to face to face sessions as most members are now double vaccinated.

For further information please contact Riaz Ahmad (0754 217 9490// [riazahmadd@gmail.com](mailto:riazahmadd@gmail.com)).

## Kenn St Andrew's Church Bells need more Ringers Post Lockdown

When the Covid lockdown was imposed in March 2020 we had to stop our weekly ringing practice at Kenn on Tuesdays and at all Sunday Services, as did most other towers, as we could not safely ring the bells together. This decision was based on the advice given by the Central Council for Church Bellringers, on sanitising bell ropes, entering the tower and the ringing chamber, wearing face masks, etc. We were also required to follow all the Government's restrictions, especially to keep 2 metres apart at all times.

However, when the church started to hold regular services in church, one ringer was able to use the Ellacombe chime mechanism to ring the bells before these Sunday services. This started in September 2020 and was much appreciated by the congregation, including over 100 who attended the outdoor Christmas Carol Service on Christmas Eve, and the Christmas morning service.



Early in November 2020 we were fortunate to get Simon Adams from Taylors Bells to inspect the bells. While this is the first inspection since the bells were quarter turned in 2000, his only advice was to have all the clapper weights reduced at their foundry and then refitted with new bushes. The cost, being very much less than expected, was covered in total, by all the ringers, together with their Gift Aiding, who have been ringing regularly at Kenn during the past few years..

All the work was completed in time for restricted ringing, to enable the ringers to safely return, in May 2021. After six weeks of ringing only 3 bells it became possible to ring all six bells in late June.

Unfortunately because of health issues and deaths Kenn Church has lost 5 of its ringers during the Covid Pandemic. We are supported by ringers from other towers but we rarely have enough to ring on Tuesday's practice nights or to ring all our bells for Sunday services.

We are holding an open Tower afternoon on Saturday 30 October from 2 – 4.30.

If you would like to learn to ring please come along. If you did learn to ring but are not still ringing your help would be much appreciated, please come along on the 30<sup>th</sup>.

For further details please contact; John Staddon, Kenn Ringers Treasurer & Secretary.

On [littleanchorlovers@gmail.com](mailto:littleanchorlovers@gmail.com) or

Barbara Philipson, Kenn Ringers Vice-Captain [b.philipson@exeter.ac.uk](mailto:b.philipson@exeter.ac.uk)



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### **GOOD FOOD .....GOOD BEER .....GOOD CHEER**

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## APPLE AND ALMOND PUDDING

### Ingredients for 4

1 egg  
 3oz castor sugar  
 2oz ground almonds  
 1 level teaspoon cornflour  
 A few drops of almond essence  
 1lb cooking apples  
 2 tablespoons of sugar



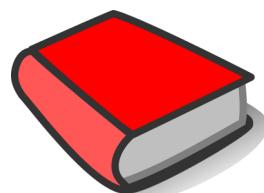
### Method

Peel, core and stew apples and put in an oven-proof dish. Mix together all the other ingredients, adding a drop of water if necessary. Spoon over the fruit and bake at 180 degrees for about 20 minutes or until it is golden brown on top.

Serve with a dollop of ice cream, or as a treat, clotted cream.

At Christmas time, instead of putting a pastry topping on your mince pies, put a teaspoonful of the almond mixture on top. Yummy.

*Maureen Bate*



### 'HEAVENLY FEASTS AND BURNT OFFERINGS'

Is about to be born after a long labour.  
 It looks wonderful and will make a superb Christmas  
 present for friends and relations.  
 Watch out for signs and on Facebook to let you  
 know when and where it will be on sale.  
 All proceeds to go to St. Andrew's Church, Kenn

**Also, St Andrew's Christmas cards are now on sale (see page 13)**

# Carols and Christmas Music

at

**The Ley Arms, Kenn**

with the

**SW Comms Band**

**Thursday 16th December 2021**

Carols start at 8pm

bucket collection in aid of



## **WHO WANTS TO BE KING?.....**

**GOOD KING WENCESLAS** to be precise. Do you remember last year just before Christmas we had the **WENCESLAS WHEELBARROW** event.

An army of volunteers collected from doorsteps round the village **I KILO** of goodies for the **EXETER FOOD BANK**....which was good, almost as good was the feeling of carnival round the village. **IT WON'T Happen this year UNLESS there is a NEW KING!**

I am not going to organise it again, because (A) 81 is too old to be doing all the donkey work, (B) the only reliable way to get new volunteers to take on a job is to stop doing it yourself! and (C) My recent dose of Covid 19 has left me more decrepit than ever.

I have a file full of information. I will be glad to advise etc BUT we need someone to take charge and pull the whole operation together So...Who is going to Volunteer to be the NEW KING WENCESLAS?

Last year there was a marvellous response of volunteers to distribute leaflets before the date and to collect from their neighbourhood on the day. Thanks a million.

Offers of help, above all offers to be THE KING all gladly received here....

[francisurch70@gmail.com](mailto:francisurch70@gmail.com) (yes...that is my e-mail address) or by phone  
01392 – 833485      Many thanks and happy Wheelbarrowing,

## **CHURCH CHRISTMAS CARDS**

They will be **ON SALE** from **14 November**. Last year Adam at the Village Stores very kindly had them on sale for us and I hope that we will be able to do that again. Otherwise they will be on sale in Church or speak to someone who comes regularly, or me - [francisurch70@gmail.com](mailto:francisurch70@gmail.com) or phone – 833485. Cost £5 for a pack of 10. Last year we made about £400 largely because a kind donor sponsored the cost of printing. Any offers?

## **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY falls on 14 NOVEMBER .**

There will be the usual service at **10.50 am** to include the **SILENCE** followed by the service in Church. Offers of help with **OUTDOOR p/a equipment** will be appreciated by all who attend. No-one will hear anything without. One thing you cannot do after Covid is shout!

On which topic, can I thank here so many people who sent cards, good wishes, promised prayers etc to me and Maureen. All those wishes and prayers have been answered, thanks be to God for his gifts of modern science, the NHS and the heroic people who staff it.      **Mark Bate**

## GAMES

It's such fun playing them with my grandchildren but they all live a long way away so it's a very rare occurrence.

So I'm just putting out feelers to see if anyone might be interested in forming a game-playing group. I'm definitely talking games on a table (board, cards, etc) - not active, chasing-around games! And playing them would be for fun with a bit of healthy competition but nothing too serious.

If there was interest, we could have a chat about the best way to organise things such as where, when and how frequently. And, of course, which games.

Please get in touch if this is something that might be of interest to you. You're welcome to ring me on: 07866791043 or email me at: [avriljames@hotmail.com](mailto:avriljames@hotmail.com)



## *Parish Rainfall Statistics*

As recorded by Pete Holland

**August 2021      32mm or 1.28ins**

**September 2021 27mm or 1.08ins**

**Both months very dry and in fact, looking back over a number of years, these two months have been dry.**

**A good time to take your holiday!**

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## SHILLINGFORD VILLAGE HALL ART CLASSES

We managed to get through a whole term of art classes in the Spring - let's hope we can do it again, starting on Friday October 15th at 10am.

We will be looking at watercolour and mixed-media landscape work.

All abilities are welcome.

For more details phone 01626 891245.  
or visit [mikemcdonald.co.uk](http://mikemcdonald.co.uk).



## Bullford Lane, DANGER



A further reminder that Bullford Lane is closed for good reason. Could it please be reinforced locally that residents must set a good example for our children by finding an alternate route.

Children bypassing the safety fencing in order to access the meadow is a serious concern and I cannot stress enough how important it is that we as adults are seen to be demonstrating the necessary caution.

We've had repeated incidents where certain residents have continued up the closed and heavily signposted path immediately after being requested not to do so. This is both arrogant and foolhardy - we expect more consideration from our fellow neighbours.

Once again I feel the need to reiterate that the building is in an extremely unstable condition and the risk of collapse is only increasing day by day. Unfortunately deconstruction of the unstable structure had been delayed due to archeological interest but we will endeavour to make the area safe at the earliest possible date. Many thanks, Jake C&J Construction



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## Adrian Pollitt's Desert Island Discs

Music has been a very big part of my life since childhood when I first joined the choir of my Welsh parish church as a treble. I love music for all sorts of reasons, but an important one is its capacity for instant transportation to my past, and I rather think that this particular quality would be hugely valuable on a desert island. The problem would be getting down to 8 records, but I guess everyone offered this opportunity has to face this difficulty.

1. My first choice is JS Bach's '**Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring.**' This I remember was my Mother's favourite, and she used to recount to me (endlessly!) how Dame Myra Hess popularised it in her wartime broadcasts on the 'wireless' and, indeed, we had a 78 rpm disc of her playing it. When I began to learn the piano at about the age of seven, my mother thrust the sheet music in front of me and told me to learn it, which I did in simple arrangement as soon as I could. It took me some time to discover that it was not a piano piece at all, but an arrangement of a chorale from a cantata! However whether sung or played instrumentally, I still love it and have enjoyed playing it many times on the organ for weddings when requested, as it is frequently.
2. In 1960 a small group of my school friends, for the edification of our peers, not to mention our teachers, produced a school revue. It contained a number of skits and musical items which, at least so its authors thought, would be amusing. One boy was able to do a very effective imitation of Cliff Richard singing "**Living Doll**". This passed the test for inclusion, and he was accompanied by me bashing out a few simple chords on the piano. We must have rehearsed this to death since, even today, I can remember the words perfectly well without, as far as I am aware, ever having consciously listened to the song again! Great music it may not be, but it will be a happy, heartwarming memory on the desert island, so it's my second choice.
3. I was a teenager in the 1960s, and will maintain against all comers that pop music has never been better than in that decade. Amid the many trials of being a teenager, that of falling in love for the first time, and battling the many obstacles put in one's way by a variety of troublesome adults who "did not understand," are probably experiences shared by many. For me, '**I Got You Babe**' by Sonny and Cher, is the song that captures these trials and contains bittersweet but important memories. It is therefore my third choice.
4. My fourth choice is **Verdi's Requiem**. It is not easy for amateur singers to find opportunities to take part in performances of this work because the huge orchestral resources required put it beyond the reach of the average choral society. I have been lucky enough to manage this twice, including once in the Royal Albert Hall. Sometimes described as the composer's best opera, this piece has everything, from its opening on the very edge of sound, through to thundering, earsplitting magnificence in some places, and the tenderest emotion in others, such as the soprano's solo accompanied only by pianissimo choir in 'Requiem Aeternam'. The ending of this on the soprano's top note is, in my view, one of the greatest moments in all music. This small excerpt was performed at Princess Diana's funeral, to great effect.

5. To return to the great music of the 1960s, 1967 was the 'annus mirabilis' of that decade for the amazing music it brought forth. No one of my generation, I am sure, would wish to be on a desert island without some representative piece of this year. The problem is, which one? I think the choice has to be between 'Sergeant Pepper' and 'A Whiter Shade of Pale'. In the end, whatever the genius of 'Sergeant Pepper', I find I can't do without '**A Whiter Shade of Pale**' so it's my fifth choice - a contender for the best pop song ever? If you're interested have a look on YouTube at their performance with the Danish National Symphony Orchestra in 2006, which ties it in with its roots in Bach's music.
  
6. Still in that blessed decade, in 1969, I met the young woman who was later to become (and remains) my wife. Never a particularly self-confident or accomplished suitor, I was somewhat tested by the choice for a first date, but in the end I settled on a performance by The Who of their rock opera **Tommy** in the London Coliseum. I preceded this with Evensong at Saint Paul's Cathedral, a rather bizarre juxtaposition I admit, but the outcome was successful! Assuming Catherine is not on the island with me, I would not wish to be without this permanent reminder of the beginning of our relationship. It is therefore my sixth choice.
  
7. If there is music in heaven, and I can't conceive of a heaven without music, it will certainly be that of Johann Sebastian Bach. Taking pride of place among his many masterpieces that may be performed there will certainly be the great **B Minor Mass**, a work of such genius that one can only think of it as being divinely inspired. I sang it first in 1971 with Brompton Choral Society, and the experience was unforgettable. There is no music greater than this and, if I may borrow someone else's metaphor from a different context, "Nothing has ever touched the hem of its majestic garment." It is my seventh choice.
  
8. I'm sure everyone would expect me to include a piece of organ music in this list and how could it not be Bach? But no, it won't be the Toccata and Fugue in D minor. It will be his great **Passacaglia in C minor**, and this is my eighth and final choice. For most of my organ playing career, I never imagined I would be able to play it, but in 2013 I determined to tackle it. It took me nearly a year to learn it, but it was one of the most satisfying things I've ever done. I only managed to play it once in public as a voluntary in St David's Church before the accident which put paid to my playing for ever. The brilliance and complexities of this piece have exercised the minds of music scholars for centuries and will no doubt continue to do so. Most of such analysis is way above my pay grade, but I will leave you with the words of one commentator: "Listen, and hear the mind of God."

**As to the one piece I would take above the other seven,** I have to settle on the B Minor Mass because of its greatness, variety and capacity to inspire.

I am assuming that the desert island is equipped with the means of reproducing these pieces, so relieving me of the necessity to choose that for my luxury which leaves me, I think, with the choice of a comfortable reclining armchair on which to listen to all this wonderful music.



## The Kenn Golfing Boys (KGB)

The 2021 Annual Kenn Open, held once a year, took place at Honiton Golf Club. The club is the oldest in Devon, which is appropriate, as some of the KGB are the oldest in Devon! The few that aren't, play like they are.

The competition started with a round of bacon baps and coffees. At the same time, approved drugs, medications and supplements were taken orally. As Honiton GC is an 18 hole course, electric buggies were booked for all 8 competitors. There was more than one complaint about having to walk from the clubhouse to the buggy park, but all players managed to get safely away on time. Draws were made to determine 'partners' and buggy partners. However, it was decided Dr Hugh Plummer should ride with the oldest competitor, just in case his medical knowledge was required. (assuming Hugh could remember his medical knowledge).

All 8 players and 4 buggies completed the gruelling, high altitude Honiton course and staggered from the buggies to the clubhouse for reviving drinks of alcohol. Competitors then returned home for a sleep.

The awards ceremony took place later that evening at The Ley Arms. The trophies were presented by the lifelong golf supporter, (Why spoil a good walk or cycle ride?) Derrick Partridge.

As always, the most sought- after trophy, the 'Shiniest Shoes', went to Simon 'Polish' Preece. (It had originally been awarded to John Wood but it was found he was wearing borrowed shoes, having forgotten his own).

Tony Bale's new car had been considered for the 'Cleanest Car' award. However, the vehicle is not private but commercial (a hearse) so he was disqualified. The 'Cleanest Car' award went to Pete Phillips. Pete said, "driving is very important in golf". However, shortly after the competition, a stale bacon bap was found under his driver's seat. As a result, Pete immediately bought a brand new car.

The 'Golf Buggy' award went to a guest player, Geoff Bassett. Geoff stood in, at the last minute, when last year's winner, John Vliestra, had to travel to Spain for the 'Ole Open'. The 'Golf Buggy' award recognised Geoff was the first person to fall asleep in a buggy, during the competition.



Pete Holland received the 'Longest Tee' trophy. This is awarded to anyone who, on any given tee shot, hits the tee further than the ball. A difficult shot to perfect, requiring hours of practice.

The youngest competitor on the day, Luke Carr, won both the 'Longest Drive' and the 'Nearest the Pin' trophies. Everyone agreed he deserved both awards, though some pointed out they were 4 times his age! Some had difficulty seeing the green, let alone reaching it with their drive.

The pair with the best combined score were Tony & Hugh, who received the 'Pairs' trophy. They just beat off Simon & Luke and Pete P & Pete H. into joint second place.

Finally, Derrick presented the Championship Trophy to this year's winner, Hugh, who beat Luke into second place by just one point. When accepting the trophy Hugh said, "I know I wouldn't have won this if JV had taken part but as last year's winner, I would have expected him to have cleaned the trophy before handing it back"

And so another KGB competition has come and gone. Former members, no longer with us, Tony Brown and Mike Keatt are never far from the thoughts of these highly skilled and honed fit athlete sportsmen. They will continue to travel to Exminster Golf Centre, to meet, play, eat & drink each week, in the spirit of friendship and healthy competition ("It's your round").



**The KGB wish to thank the competition sponsors Stannah Stair Lifts and Age UK**

# St Andrew's Church

## Churchwarden's Jottings



Well, it's about time we had some good news, and you know you can find good news if you look.

Starting at the beginning of this month, October, there will be a church service at St Andrew's every Sunday again. Times of services can always be found on parish noticeboards, Village post office and Facebook. (see page \*\*) Good news!!!

There will be a service of remembrance again this year starting outside at the War Memorial and then in the church. Always a popular service, starting at just before 11am on Sunday, 14 November. Good news!!!

The social side of St Andrew's is coming back to life and, boy, the church needs the income from it. The Great Village Quiz is taking place on Friday, 1 October . Good news!!!

The Kenn and Kennford shanty singers are holding a concert In the church on Saturday 20 November to raise funds. I personally am looking forward to this. They can sing and I love the music. See posters around the village with more details. Good news!!!

Words For Voices long running concert, just before Christmas is back this year. Good news!!!

Talking of Christmas, there will be all our usual Christmas services, including a carol service. Good news!!!

Talking of carols, Linda Smith (tel 833716) is hoping to start a choir. If you are at all interested give Linda a ring. Who knows what could happen? Good news!!!

The long awaited and what will be a much sought-after cookbook is about to be launched.

There's one Christmas present sorted, no problem. Good News!!!

And, lastly, on the good news front, the Rev Mark Bate, having been struck down with the dreaded Covid, has made a remarkable recovery. Now that IS good news!!!

At this time of year it is customary for the churchwarden to compose a letter for our gift day appeal. This is when I ask you to help to keep St Andrew's alive and solvent. In many ways it is amazing that we have managed to get through the last 18 months and we have, thanks to many in our parish community. You can help in two ways. Firstly, very simply coming to church.

Secondly, by making a donation to St Andrew's, your parish church, which is open everyday for you. Over the years Kenn and Kennford has grown and changed in many ways. St Andrew's has always being there, a beacon of light and hope, no matter what the world may throw at us. The letter you should receive will tell you many ways of being able to donate to St Andrew's nowadays. You only need to raise a finger or two to do the job.

**Simon Preece. Churchwarden**



**Haldon Views** is having to say goodbye to Mervyn Hosking. For many years Mervyn has been the parish magazine's treasurer, sorting out the advertising and finances. His wealth of financial experience in the banking world and at Westpoint has meant he leaves **Haldon Views** in a sound financial position, as he and his wife, Brenda, move away from Kenn to pastures new. We thank Mervyn for his valuable assistance over the years and wish them both well, in their new venture together.



## SUNDAY SERVICES AT ST ANDREW'S

3 October	HARVEST FESTIVAL	10am Morning Worship
10 October	Trinity 19	8.15 am Eucharist
17 October	Trinity 20	10am Sung Eucharist
24 October	Last after Trinity	8.15 am Eucharist
31 October	4th before Advent	10am United Service at Kenn (tbc)
7 November	3rd before Advent	10am Morning Worship
14 November	Remembrance	8.15 am Eucharist
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**Monday 20th September 6-9pm Great Big Green Week event.**

Workshop-type activities to help us understand the climate crisis situation and get to grips with the technical terminology, followed by more formal presentations by local experts, plus Q&A.

**Monday 4th October, 6-7.30pm Climate Change and trade – the impact on farmers in developing countries**

1st October is World Coffee Day. How is climate change affecting coffee production and other tropical crops we take for granted? Is Fairtrade a positive way to cope?

**Monday 18th October, 6-7.30pm Climate Change and Food Security.**

Marking World Food Day (16th October), how are disrupted weather patterns affecting food security?

**Monday 1st November, 6-7.30pm Youth Voices: the call for a Global Green Deal.**

On Friday 5th November, COP26 will discuss Youth issues. We will invite young people to explain their concerns and their demand for a Global Green Deal - including voices from the Global South.

**Monday 15th November, 6-7.30pm A FAIR COP?**

As COP26 ends, we will reflect on the outcomes, with a panel of experts and concerned citizens. What has been achieved? Will words turn into actions? How much safer are we, and the planet, now, than before COP26 began?

We plan for all five sessions to be held, live, in Exeter Community Centre, 17 St David's Hill, Exeter, EX4 3RG, but there will also be a zoom option for each. 'No need to book - but it will help us if you can. Please sign up here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/a-fair-cop-tickets-167852187411> OR email us at [dde@globalcentredon.org.uk](mailto:dde@globalcentredon.org.uk). All events are free, but donations are welcome! Each session will include suggested actions as well as the positive stories.



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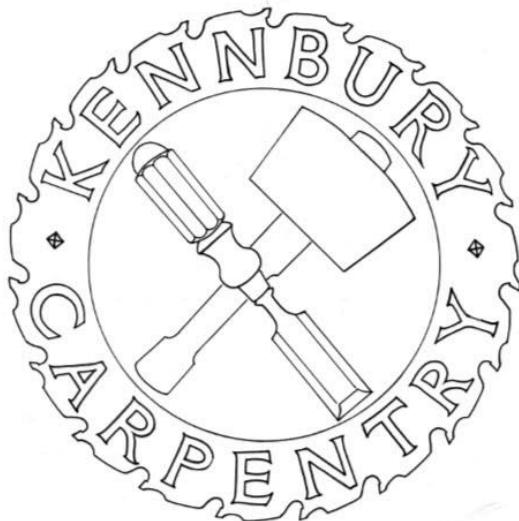


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## News from the MOTHERS' UNION Branch at St. Andrew's, Kenn (with Exminster)

Each year, across the world, Mothers' Union members work tirelessly to improve the quality of life for those around them. They do this as part of their personal commitment to show their faith in action. The embedded nature of members in communities means Mothers' Union is uniquely placed to reach people which others (NGOs or government agencies) struggle to reach.

Mothers' Union groups identify community needs at local level and form projects to address these. In a number of countries, the work of members is supported and nurtured by professional workers. These are known as **Community Development Coordinators** and their training and direction is facilitated by the central charity.

Local projects are necessarily diverse, so that they may respond to differing local needs. However, there are some common themes which are important to the membership. These include maintaining a worldwide Christian fellowship, promoting favourable conditions in society for stable family life, and helping those families who have met with adversity.

The role of the central charity is to provide an administrative function, support the raising of funds, and offer overall guidance. This enables large-scale projects which fulfill the more substantial goals of the movement. The common thread of these larger projects is to work through communities to combat poverty, reduce violence and encourage fairness and justice. These projects, funded by individual members and partner donors, support many thousands of people each year.

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# Coffee Mornings



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

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

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

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

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

**If so, phone Shirley (833293)**



## The Church Floodlights

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

**Just contact Simon on 832462**



**Used stamps, please, to Pete Phillips 832169 or The Seven Stars in Kennford. Thanks**

HELP!

Help!

## St Andrew's church

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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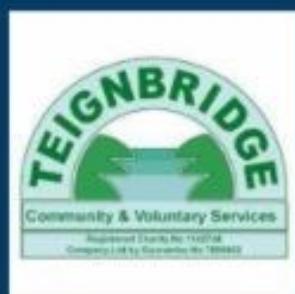
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