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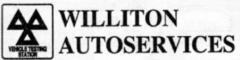


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| Sun 7th  | 8am            | Holy Communion BCP                                  |  |
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8am

10am

8am

4pm

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14th

7th Joint Harvest Festival Rev Clive Gilbert and Miss Mollie Brooks at St

Peter's Church at 10 am Mrs Lynne Wooldridge

21st Rev Jane Sperring - Holy Communion

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### TROM REV MIKE SHERBURN, Watchet Baptist Church

I like autumn. And call me old fashioned, or overly English, or anything else — but I like the word autumn, too. I don't think the American alternative really cuts the mustard. We don't have 'the fall', we have 'autumn'. It feels somehow slightly classier. Autumn offers the best walks, the prettiest sunsets, the brightest colours and the most interesting weather. It brings the Quantocks to life, the extra rain fills up the rivers and streams, and the autumn storms send the waves crashing into the coastline, generating foam and spray and a sense of grand drama!

There are, however, a couple of things about autumn that I'm not so keen on. One is the clocks changing right at the end of the month. Ever since I was a child and it meant coming in from playing football an hour earlier, I've not been a fan of that. Maybe if I had a roaring real fire I might feel differently!

The second thing is that so many things start to die. Leaves going orange, red, yellow and brown is beautiful. At the same time, those changes are indications of death and decay. And we enter a part of the year with less green growth, fewer flowers and little fruit. The reassurance comes from knowing that, after the winter has been and gone, the spring will come. Much of what seemed dead will be revived. What was death becomes life again. Perhaps the most persistent message of the Christian faith is found right there – and it's a message of hope: where death has been, life can rise again. Death does not have the final word (1 Corinthians 15:12-28).

Whether what we experience is the anguish of losing a loved one, or the draining of physical, emotional or spiritual liveliness, the reality of Jesus can overturn it. And as easy as that is to write, it remains utterly amazing.

So, while I'm excited to watch the changing colours and the drama of another West Somerset autumn, I'm also excited to know that new life will follow. Bring on the spring!

#### The story behind the trophy

The trophy, inspired by the poetry of Omar Khayyam, was created by local sculptor Tad Mandziej specifically as a prize for a quiz in October raising funds for Kathryn's Mercy Home Trust. It is a cast taken from an original woodcarving. Tad, himself a Polish refugee from World War 2, was so moved and inspired by the work of a local couple Rev. Kathryn and Rev. Ben Flenley, that he felt he had to do something to help. The idea of a quiz with a trophy was born.

Many years ago the Flenleys had sought to lift some of the poorest children in South India out of poverty by giving them a home and education that would otherwise be denied to them. In

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thirty years, the Trust they helped to form has grown and currently provides hostel accommodation and education for girls and some boys aged 9-17 years. They are further supported in their studies at colleges and on vocational courses. Instead of a life of drudgery and poverty they can get jobs in factories, with others training as engineers, teachers and nurses. The Trust also provides a home for 20 unsupported elderly ladies. It funds six village teachers, free medical camps, courses in computers, tailoring and dressmaking. 276 children are now being educated in primary schools.

Tad, exhibitor and winner of top awards at international woodcarving shows and quiz master of many quizzes in the past, has combined his skills to support this worthwhile cause. Every pound will go to where it is needed with no administration costs or expenses, and no corruption. The winning team will need a home for the trophy, hence a club, pub or similar venue would be ideal.

# BAPTIST CHURCH (WATCHET) The Bantist Church meets at

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**B**RENDON HILL (Beulah) METHODIST CHURCH, Watchet TA23 0LL The Harvest Festival Service will be held on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at 6.30 pm. The service will be led by Mr Maurice Hockridge of Crediton. A short service and Sale of Produce will follow on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 7.15 pm. You will be warmly welcomed at our hill country chapel.

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FROM YOUR VILLAGE AGENT, IZZY SILVESTER
Scams! We do talk about them a lot but it is important to do so as they can be really disturbing to receive and potentially very expensive.

A recent scam is a phone call from a well-spoken lady who tells you that there is a court case pending against you. It is often for unpaid tax. She will ask you to call her back on a given number. This will be a premium number and cost you lots of money while they slowly ask for all your details!

The advice from us is to put the phone down quickly and don't talk. Chat to a neighbour or call me or citizen's advice if you are anxious about what you did. You can also report it to Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040 or the website www.actionfraud.police.uk. According to Which magazine: "To avoid being ripped off in this way, you should firstly never use numbers beginning with 084, 087, 090, 091 or 098 when calling government advice lines."

Don't forget that you can buy phones with a call blocker service or use the BT call blocker service. This means that the phone will only automatically answer numbers that you have previously agreed to. It will ask the caller to state their name and display it, so that the recipient can decide whether to take the call. This is also useful if you care for someone with dementia because they are less likely to share all your bank details with the caller if they have to press the correct buttons to release the call.

I have been guilty of clicking on emails before really thinking. I received one for a fixed penalty fine and indignantly opened it, before I realised that it would not have been sent by email and certainly not to my work address. I was lucky to be able to seek reassurance that I hadn't crashed the entire company system, but many people can be left worrying. Another very convincing scam is emails that look as though they have come from your bank. IF IN DOUBT DON'T OPEN THEM. If still in doubt ring your bank.

The last and most disturbing scam is when people who are ostensibly helping you by picking up your money from the bank are really helping themselves to your savings. This is called "Mate Crime". Get them to take you to the bank rather than giving them your card and pin. Get help from West Somerset Advice or a moneywise service to put your bills on direct debit and use phone or internet access to your bank accounts. Check your statements for any strange activity. Make sure that any private carers have a current DBS certificate. Ask me to support you with this. You can also get advice from Age UK advice on 0800 169 65 65. Lines are open seven days a week from 8am to 7pm for one to one advice and to order their really interesting booklet.

Remember, keeping potential problems to yourself makes anything you might have actually done far worse and by sharing it, you can remove your own anxiety and stop someone else from making the same mistake.

Not sure who to turn to? Village Agents are a charity that work with individuals and social groups to give confidential support and advice. Please phone me Izzy Silvester, your village agent, on 07931 018045, leave me your name and number and I will ring you back. Or email me on izzy@somersetrcc.org.uk . I do only work part-time so it may take a day or two for me to return your call. Thank you.

The Community Council for Somerset (CCS) is celebrating having successfully secured a third round of Big Lottery Funding for Somerset Village Agents. The grant will provide additional funding for a further 3 years and will enable CCS to expand the scheme across the whole of Somerset.

Village Agents help to bridge the gap between isolated, excluded, vulnerable and lonely individuals and statutory and/or voluntary organisations which offer specific solutions to identified needs. Village Agents don't just signpost to others but they find local community solutions which make a practical difference to everyday lives.

Agents work tirelessly across the whole of Somerset to provide practical support for anyone, of any age, with anything they need help with. Solving these problems helps people to remain living independently for longer. Since the Village Agent scheme began in 2012 many thousands of people have been supported and in 2016/17 alone, the Village Agents and their work saved the state £2.4 million – with an overall total economic benefit to Somerset of £5.2 million!

For further information email info@somersetrcc.org.uk

We certainly hear of a lot of people who appreciate the help of our very hardworking Village Agent, Izzy Silvester. **Editors** 

# **OUANTOCK FOODBANK**

A big thank you to the donors, the organizations who set up collection points, and the volunteers who helped to make our Holiday Hunger Project such a success that we exceeded our target! The foodbank was present at three events for families during the summer, helping with catering and supplying much needed bags of food to those who were finding the long holidays a struggle financially. Towards the end of August we supplied five parcels of food to people in crisis.

For the very first time, the organisers of Watchet Music Festival initiated the collection of unused tins and packets from Festival-goers. We distributed leaflets on Sunday and collected overflowing boxes on Monday. Food was also donated by the organisers from back-stage catering. Once again we express our gratitude and look forward to renewing this partnership next year.

We continue to receive emails from willing volunteers and are delighted that so many people wish to help in this venture. The Holiday Hunger Project has served to highlight the relevance of the foodbank in this beautiful area of the Ouantocks.

Congratulations to Clare Pound and her team at Home-Start on receipt of the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service. We shall be present to help them celebrate on their special day and look forward to our continued partnership providing assistance to young families. Representatives of West Somerset Food Cupboard met with us in August and were able to view our prospective premises. Both WSFC and the Quantock Foodbank are committed to serving our communities and co-operating to ensure that we continue to provide a seamless service across the whole area of West Somerset. To this end, both Coordinators will be in close contact.

> Marlene Mason, Steering Group Coordinator, Holiday Hunger Project 07742 204780 / quantockfoodbank@gmail.com

### ■ BL WOMEN'S SECTION

RAt our September meeting we had a beetle drive. Everybody enjoyed themselves and there were some very interesting and rare beetles in the room.

On 8 October we have our AGM which will be followed by tea and cakes to start us off into our new year of programmes.

In November we have a speaker who attended The Great Pilgrimage 90 which took place in August this year. Over 1000 British Legion branches were represented and took part in a march to the Menin Gate with their wreaths and Standards. Our speaker will be talking about the experience and showing pictures of the event. We would welcome anybody who would like to come for what, I am sure, will be an interesting talk.

We meet in the meeting room at Williton Fire Station on the second Monday of each month at 2.30pm. New members and visitors are always welcome. For more information please ring Sara Hempshall 07427 969892.

# **TX**/EST SOMERSET VILLAGE HISTORY SOCIETY

Following a fascinating visit to Watchet Boat Museum in September, the next meeting will be at our usual venue, the EMN Hall, Monksilver TA4 4JE on Tuesday 16 October, when our speaker will be David Rabson talking about the Sanfords of Nynehead Court "Ordering their Estates". We meet at 7.30pm for 7.45 and non-members welcome at a charge of £3. For more information, please contact: marilyn@westsomersetvillagehistorysociety-wsvhs.com

WILLITON GARDENING CLUB
Our October meeting at Danesborough Community Room is on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 7.30 pm. The speaker will be Richard Horswood and his subject is 'Freshfields' - A Garden from Scratch. Visitors are always welcome at a charge of £2. Please ring Dave Messenger on 01984 248412 for more information.

### C LOBAL FRIENDS

Nasima brought Ruba's mother to see us this month. It is good to see her again after so many years. Two Taunton members called in last week with their news. They said their family and work are both well. One of our members is off to university this autumn and we agreed to support her in this. Overall we had a good, well attended session this month.

The next session will be on Tuesday 2nd October at 2pm. For more information on who we are and where we meet, please phone 248392 or 634734.

# **OOD NEIGHBOURS**

We will next meet at Danesborough View Common Room on Tuesday 2 October. Our meetings start at 2.30pm and finish about 4pm and we usually have a speaker or some form of entertainment. We include tea and biscuits and welcome both men and ladies. Do come and try our friendly club, whether as a visitor or new member.

All enquiries to our Chairlady, Jenny Berry, on 01984 632616.

### NE OF LIFE'S LITTLE PLEASURES

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Seeing a baby wearing something you have made, instead of shop bought.

ASPS - WILLITON AND SURROUNDING AREA PARKINSON'S SUPPORT

After 4 months away our regular meeting was once again taking place at Danesborough View Common Room. It was good to see everyone chatting and renewing friendships and they also made our four new members feel very welcome indeed. We had thoroughly enjoyed the cream tea in June, the BBQ in July and a much needed relaxation in August.

We started off with our much loved exercise guru, Jenny Manvell, who gets us all working hard and proving beyond the shadow of a doubt that exercise is FUN. We always end up the classes laughing, which must be good, as it is said that laughter is the best medicine.

Then it was time to start the regular meeting and we welcomed Phillip Manvell, (yes, Jenny's husband) who gave us a talk about when he was guarding the Queen. When asked how tall the Queen was and what they spoke about he could not remember, but he was very proud to have guarded the Queen and justifiably so. His talk was greeted with much enthusiasm and we really appreciated him coming along to chat with us.

Our meeting on Thursday 4th October will once again take place at Danesborough View Common Room with exercises at 1:15 and the meeting starting at 2pm. This meeting will be all about Coping. How you cope with daily problems, any methods that you use to make life a little easier for the carer and the person with Parkinson's. We will try to answer these much-asked questions and help others find a way, or just reassure you that you are not the only one trying to come to grips with Parkinson's. It is a full participation meeting and should be beneficial for everyone. We are looking forward to a very lively discussion and exchange of information.

If you would like to find out more about our group, or wish to discuss Parkinson's and how it affects people, you can reach me on 01984 631472 or email me at queenwasp@outlook.com.

Linda Bishop - WASPS Coordinator

WILLITON WALKS BOOK
A book of 9 circular walks around Williton by Jenny Gibson is on sale at Williton Post Office for £2.50. All proceeds from the books go to charity. Since the first edition in 2015 several hundred pounds have been shared between the Williton Window, Macmillan Cancer Support, St Margaret's Hospice and a children's cancer research institute. The current charity is the WASPS and, so far, £100 has been raised by book sales.

### THANK YOU VERY MUCH

Let to everyone who responded extremely promptly to our request last month for a new distributor. It is heartening to know that so many people read our magazine and are willing to help when needed. Editors

MALL PRAYER

Please will you help me to like the month of October.



| THIS MONTH'S EVENTS |
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| Tues  | 2    | Global Friends                     | 2.00 pm See page 14   |
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| Tues  | 2    | Good Neighbours                    | 2.30pm Danesborough View Common Room  |
| Tues  | 2    | Williton Pavilion                  | 7.00pm Bingo, Danesfield School   |
| Wed   | 3    | Williton Library                   | 10.30 am Verse and Worse - a light-hearted look at poetry and prose                       |
| Thurs | 4    | Williton Library                   | 3pm Pins and Needles  |
| Thurs | 4    | WASPS Parkinson's<br>Support Group | 1.15pm exercises, 2pm main meeting - discussion on Coping - Danesborough View Common Room |
| Sat   | 6    | Williton Library                   | 10.30am Lego Club   |
| Sat   | 6    | Charity Quiz                       | The Lysaght Club, Old Cleeve See page 11  |
| Mon   | 8    | RBL Women's Section                | 2.30pm Fire Station Lecture Room, AGM   |
| Mon   | 8    | Williton Library                   | National Libraries Week begins  |
| Wed   | 10   | Williton Hospital                  | 3.00pm Harvest Festival Service at Williton<br>Hospital                                   |
| Wed   | 10   | Williton Library                   | 10.30am Talking Café Community Drop In  |
| Thurs | 11   | Loop the Loop                      | 3.30-4.30pm Williton Library Knitting and crochet for children 6+                         |
| Sat   | 13   | Parish Council                     | 10.00am Union Lane Clean up morning   |
| Sat   | 13   | Williton Library                   | 10.30-12.00 Coffee Morning  |
| Tues  | 16   | Williton Pavilion                  | 7.00pm Bingo, Danesfield School   |
| Tues  | 16   | Village History                    | 7.45pm EMN Hall Monksilver "Ordering their Estates" The Sanfords of Nynehead Court        |
| Thurs | 18   | Women's Institute                  | 2.00pm Danesborough View,   |
| Wed   | 17   | Williton Library                   | 2.15 pm Family History session  |
| Fri   | 19   | Community Market                   | 9-11.30am Williton Social Club  |
| Mon   | 22   | Gardening Club                     | 7.30pm Danesborough View Common Room,<br>Talk on 'Freshfields- a garden from scratch'     |
| Fri   | 26   | Bake Club                          | 3.30-4.30pm Williton Library  |
| Sat   | 27   | Williton Wanderers                 | 10.30am Withypool Car Park  |
| Sat   | 27   | Story & Craft Time                 | 10.30-11.30am for children 4-10years  |
| Mon   | 29   | Williton Library                   | 2.30pm Book Club  |
| Tues  | 30   | Williton Pavilion                  | 7.00pm Bingo, Danesfield School   |
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| and<br>Mon | 9.30-10.30 am<br>10.45-11.45am<br>10.30 - 12 noon | Pilates with Eleanor<br>Rutter<br>UK Online<br>Table Tennis          | Maglands Community Room, Watchet<br>Booking essential 07342 238 723<br>Williton Library, booking essential |
|            | 2 pm  |  | Watchet Youth Centre   |
|            | 2 - 3 pm  | Age UK - Stay Strong   | Danesborough View Common Room  |
|            | 6-7pm   | Pilates with Eleanor   | Danesborough View Common Room  |
|            | 7.15-8.15pm<br>7.30 pm                            | Rutter<br>Badminton  | Booking essential 07342 238 723<br>EMN Hall Monksilver (656496)  |
| Tues       | 9.30-10.30am<br>6.15-7.15pm                       | Pilates with Nathan Pirt<br>Pilates with Nathan Pirt                 | Watchet Community Centre<br>West Quantoxhead Village Hall<br>Info: Nathan Pirt 07762 721 271               |
|            | 9.30 - 10.30am<br>11 - 12 am                      | Mat and floor based yoga<br>Chair-based yoga<br>More info from Julie | The Salvation Army Hall Watchet (level access and parking)   |
|            |   | Bolton 633665 or email   | julieboltonyoga@gmail.com  |
| Tues       | 10am-12.30pm                                      | Children's Centre  | West Somerset Advice Bureau  |
| Tue        | 5.45 pm   | Brownies   | Guide HQ   |
| Tues       | 7-11pm  | War-games Club   | Info: Williton Gamers 01984 639588   |
|            | 9-10am<br>10.30-11.30am                           | Pilates with Nathan Pirt   | Bicknoller Village Hall<br>Info: Nathan Pirt 07762 721 271   |
| Wed        | 6-7.30pm  | Cubs   | Guide HQ   |
| Wed        | 7-10 pm   | Railway Modellers  | Rear of Washford Mill, Washford (info: 07773 892085)   |
|            | 9-10am<br>10.15-11.15am                           | Pilates with Nathan Pirt   | West Quantoxhead Village Hall<br>Info: Nathan Pirt 07762 721 271   |
| Thur       | 9.30-11.30 am                                     | St Peter's Church  | Drop in for coffee and cake  |
| Thur       | 10-11am   | Free chair based exercise  | Williton Hospital (please ring<br>Shirley on 633529 for information)                                       |
| Thur       | 10.30-noon  | Craft and Chat   | Drop-in at Williton Library.   |
| Thur       | 10.30-12 noon                                     | UK Online  | Williton Library, Booking essential  |
| Thur       | 5.15-6.30 pm                                      | Rainbows   | Guide HQ   |
| Thur       | 6-7pm   | Williton Youth Club  | Memorial Ground See page 25 (Contact Andy 01643 703155)  |
|            | 9.30-10.30 am<br>10.45-11.45am                    | Pilates with Eleanor<br>Rutter                                       | Williton Fire Station Community Room<br>Booking essential 07342 238 723                                    |
| Fri        | 10.30-11am  | Rhyme Time 0 - 4 years   | Williton Library (term time only)  |
| Fri        | 12 noon   |  | Meet Killick Way Car park  |
| Fri        |   | Williton RBL Rifle Club  | Bridge St. Range. Info 01984 632650  |
| Fri        | 7.15-9pm  | Guides (info from Martha on 01984 248925)                            | The Guide HQ, Market Street Car Park in Watchet  |
| Fri        | 7.30 pm   | Bingo  | Danesborough View Common Room  |
| Fri        | 7 - 8.30 pm                                       | Walking football   | Danesfield School  |

# S T PETER'S SCHOOL DIARY

We are now back in our normal routines with everyone working hard. We have plenty to look forward to during the rest of this half term including Harvest and a book fair which arrives at the beginning of October.

The children from Oak class have settled really well to life at St Peter's school. They have enjoyed playing and working in their new environment both inside and outside, meeting new teachers and making new friends. The children have shared news and photos about their families with each other. They are looking forward to a fantastic year ahead.

Ash class have settled really well into their new routines. They have some really exciting topics planned for this term, including 'Carnival of the animals' which will finish with a big parade! They also have access to an outside area filled with fantastic new equipment.

The children of Elm class have settled into new routines quickly too. They have started their new topic work on Dinosaurs and Fossils, which fits in with the science focus on rocks and soils. There is a big focus on teamwork in the class, and the children have to show they have worked together in order to earn ePraise points. This approach will then lead on to creating more independent learners.

Fir Class have settled well into their new class group. For the year two children this was an easy transition as they stayed in the same classroom with the same teacher. These children have been very accommodating and welcoming to the year three children that have joined them. They are very excited to be having new, larger tables and chairs which makes everyone feel more grown up! The children are also happily anticipating their new carpet and whiteboard.

Fir class are also pleased to introduce a new member of staff to their class, Miss Collyer. The class have enjoyed starting to learn about their new theme in topic, which is 'Dinosaurs and Fossils', and science, which is 'Rocks'. We are also introducing a new way of teaching phonics and English which is proving to be exciting and fun.

Yew class, our year 4s, have been getting used to being the oldest children in the school and being role models for the younger ones. They have extra responsibilities too. The class have started learning about electricity in their science lessons and World War 2 in topic. Both these subjects have captured their interest already.

The children in Happy Stars, our nurture group, have settled back well too

and they have enjoyed looking at their summer diaries which they made over the summer holidays with their families. Happy Stars have started a garden session once a week which the children are enjoying and have started to make a bug hotel. They are eagerly awaiting to see all the bugs coming to stay!



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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE
Williton W.I. members have had a busy time celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> year of formation. During August we caught up over a cream tea. At our September meeting we enjoyed 'Who do you think you are?' when Mrs Lynne Cleaver entertained and informed us with information on ancestry.

Visitors will be made very welcome at our October meeting, although as yet our speaker has not been confirmed, but it is sure to be fun and interesting. We will be meeting on 18th at 2 pm at Danesborough View Common Room.

In November we are looking forward to listening to Stuart Parkman talking about Triscombe Nurseries.

If you are able to come to our October or November meetings and would like more information please contact Pamela Messenger Secretary on 01984-248412 or look in the white display cabinet between Hair@Roses and the Co-op.

Pamela Messenger, Secretary

#### TEWS FROM WILLITON POST OFFICE

We now have the official Royal Mail last recommended posting dates for Christmas delivery.

#### **International Economy (Surface)**

13<sup>th</sup> October South Africa, Hong Kong, Singapore, U.S.A., Canada 3<sup>rd</sup> November Eastern Europe, Greece, Cyprus, Turkey, Malta, Iceland 17<sup>th</sup> November Western Europe

When choosing cards for overseas we recommend that you select the smaller ones to keep postage costs to a minimum. Calendars that fit into the Large Letter category will of course be cheaper to post than the larger ones which would be classed as a parcel. We are very happy to weigh your cards and calendars when you purchase so that you can budget for the postage. There are some items which are listed as prohibited for overseas postage and to avoid disappointment please ask us for a referral pamphlet to help you with your gift choices. We are delighted to announce that we now have our 'very own' Christmas card taken during the snow in March!

Post Office Ltd currently has great mortgage packages available. If you are looking for a mortgage do come in to see us and we can arrange a free consultation with a specialist advisor.

Post Office Ltd has also re shaped their savings options and has just launched an opportunity to win up to £10,000 when making an investment. Again, come in to see us for more details.

We attended the Birmingham Trade Fair in September and so have a lovely selection of new stock in. Come to Williton Post Office for Christmas shopping on your doorstep! Caroline Tyner

#### **USE IT OR LOSE IT!**

If local people don't use Williton Post Office, there is a very real chance that it will be forced to close. The internet is wonderful for many things but it lacks the personal touch. Post Office staff can and do iron out a host of difficulties over the counter. Such relatively simple things as cash withdrawals and paying in cheques to your bank account make a difference to the Post Office's survival, where footfall is all important. **Editors** 

# WILLITON PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

To contact Williton Parish Council telephone the Clerk (Michelle) or her assistant (Jo) on 01984 633979 or email clerk@willitonpc.org.uk

We are pleased to welcome Jo Holmes to our staff. Jo has taken on the role of Assistant to the Parish Clerk. So when you go in the office or ring, it might be Jo you talk to, so please remember her name.

We have a number of events coming up:

Union Lane Clean-up Day: Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October, 10am. Please come along to help – we really do need volunteers to help clear this lane. Please meet on

**Armistice Day** – this year sees the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of World War One. To commemorate this special occasion, we will be holding a film night on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November, showing 'War Horse'. On Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November there will be a Remembrance Day Service on the Memorial Ground, starting at 10.45am, followed by a procession through Williton to St Peter's Church where an interdenominational service of thanksgiving will be held, followed by refreshments. In the early evening the Fire Beacon will be lit as part of a national commemoration. We hope you will be able to join us for these special events. If you are part of a group that would like to join the parade, please contact Michelle. We are also seeking a volunteer to help write certificates of attendance for all children who attend. If you would be able to help, please let us know.

We are having a Dinner and Dance in the new Pavilion on 24th **November** (a trial run) for 100 people. There are 40 places available at £25 per head. Evening Wear. If you would like to come ring me on 01984 632497 or email cllr.hooper@willitonpc.org.uk or the Parish office on the above. Or please pop into the office and see Michelle or Jo for more details.

The Pavilion is having its official opening day on Saturday 1st **December** 10am to 2pm. This is an exciting day for all of us that have been involved in the project. For those of you who do not know or are too young to remember, it was agreed to have a hall for Williton at the parish assembly in 1996 - I joined the committee in 1997. There is more about the open day in Cllr Vaughan's Pavilion update. I look forward to seeing you all there.

Looking even further ahead, the Christmas Festival will be on the evening of Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December.

In my last Parish report in July, I told you about our finger post restoration scheme. I am pleased to say we have one already renovated and one in the process of being done. We are interested to know if anyone has any pictures or postcards of Williton's mill stones or finger posts that Cllr Liz Peeks can see. If you have any please email Liz on cllr.peeks@willitonpc.org.uk. Or get in touch with the office on the address above.

Filling Station: The parish councillors were asked for, and have had, a meeting with Forelle Estates - a company that builds filling stations. They would like to build one at the roundabout at Washford Cross opposite Tropiquaria on the Watchet side. They are going out to consultation soon, so watch out for that!

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Councillor Diane Hooper

WILLITON PAVILION PROJECT UPDATE
We have now reached a point in the project where we are preparing for the handover of the building in November. The scaffolding has been removed from the outside of the building and internally the painters and decorators are busy at work. Very soon the wooden floor will be laid in the main hall and the lift installed. Late October, the contractor will commence work on the new footpath and disabled parking area. Landscaping will include the planting of new trees at one end of the building and a hedgerow between the parking area and the ground. As the new footpath runs along the front of the building, most of that used as a building site will be returned to grass.

The hand over date remains the 16th November and provided there is no significant slip from this date, we plan to hold an open day on Saturday 1st December from 10.00am until 3.00pm. All are welcome and there will be councillors in attendance to answer any questions. Please note, there will only be disabled parking available next to the building.

This report will be the last of our project updates. Future articles will commence in December and focus on events to be held within the Pavilion and on the Memorial Ground. Day to day activities will be managed via the Parish Office and events taking place will be advertised within both the Williton Window and on the Pavilion website https://www.willitonmemorialgroundandpavilion.co.uk

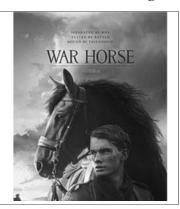
Councillor Bill Vaughan

### **WAR HORSE**

Friday 9th November 2018 at Danesfield School Doors open 6.30pm - Film to start at 7pm 180 tickets available from the Parish Office

> This is a FREE event (donations will be accepted)

> > Over 12s only



#### LOWERS OF THE FOREST

■ On Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November, 7.30pm, a special commemoration concert will take place in St Mary's Church, Bishops Lydeard. The Phoenix Singers (Music Director: Andrew Maddocks) will be presenting a sequence of music and readings to mark the First World War Armistice in 1918. Tickets at £12 (children and students free) are available online at www.thephoenixsingers.co.uk, from Taunton Visitor Centre, Fore Street, Taunton or phoning 01823 252658. *Kathryn Flenley* 

### OWN AT THE STATION

At the time of writing this piece we have just recovered from the 40's weekend when the whole line was dressed (or partly) with reminiscences of the period with all the windows taped up to prevent broken glass scattering and other reminders of 'how it was'. If anyone had ventured into Watchet or Minehead they would have seen a greater example with Watchet Town taking the event on board with lots of events and sideshows on the Esplanade and station. For the WSR it was a busy weekend and the trains were particularly full. For the first such event it was considered a success and will probably be repeated again next year.

We are now busy preparing for the Autumn Gala and it is likely that you will receive this issue right in the middle of it. It runs from  $27^{th} - 30^{th}$  September and we are expecting six visiting engines on the line including the Bullied Pacific 34052, Braunton, the main line engine which was restored at Williton and was completed in 2010. From the Bluebell Railway is 73802 Camelot; a BR Standard 4MT 80104 from Swanage Railway and together with Foxcote & Dinmore Manors and our own Raveningham Hall and 7F S& D 30808. Likely there will also be the USATC S160 engine which has spent the season with the WSR. This should be a good line up for everyone to enjoy.

After the Gala we will begin to run into the quieter running period with fewer daily trains until the end of October. Next month I will let you know when trains run in November and details of the Santa Specials and Carol Trains.

Maintenance work has carried on right through the season this year and we have pretty well caught up with the backlog of jobs to do. A new list will be compiled over the next month or so – can't have the volunteers thinking they have nothing to do over the winter! The flower displays are mainly over now – we have received many compliments – thanks primarily to Phil Chapman and the band of volunteers who have done most of the watering. Planning is already in hand for next year's plants. John Parsons, Station Master

### **RECIPE FOR THE MONTH** by Shirley Dee

CHEESE SCONES (MAKES 8)

1 lb (450 g) self-raising flour 5 fl oz (150 ml) milk 4 oz (150 g) butter or soft margarine 1 teaspoon English mustard 5 oz (150 g) strong grated Cheddar cheese Salt and black pepper

1 egg

Pre-heat the oven to 200°C / 400°F / Gas 6.

Add the flour and butter to a mixing bowl and either rub in with finger tips or use an electric mixer, until the mixture looks like breadcrumbs. Keeping an ounce of cheese back, stir the rest into the mixture with the salt and pepper. Mix the egg, mustard and 4 fl oz (125 ml) milk in a jug with a fork, gradually stir into the flour mix to make a soft dough. Add more milk if needed. Knead the dough lightly, then cut in half. Shape each piece into a ball, flatten slightly and roll into a circle. Cut each circle into 4 and arrange on the baking sheet, leaving a space between each one allowing them to rise. Brush the tops with the remaining milk and sprinkle with the remaining cheese. Bake for 12 - 15 minutes until well risen and golden brown. Spread with butter and enjoy.

Not just books: our regular activities include: \*Computer courses\* (Mondays and Fridays 10.15-11.45) Help with your computer and accessing the internet. \*Book Club\* (last Monday of each month, 2.30-3.30) \*Code Club\* (for 9- to 11year-olds, alternate Mondays 4-4.45. Booking essential) Learn computer programming. \*Verse and Worse\* (first Wednesday of each month, 10.30-11.30) Sit round a table and listen to or read poetry and prose. \*Family History\* (Wednesdays or Saturdays by appointment) Explore your family roots. \*Craft and Chat\* (every Thursday, 10.30 to 12) Drop in for friendly conversation. \*Pins and Needles\* (first Thursday of every month, 3 to 4) Sewing and embroidery help and advice. \*Loop the Loop\* (second Thursday of every month, 3.30-4) For children of six and over who would like to learn to knit and crochet. \*Rhyme Time\* (every Friday, 10.30 to 11) Song and boogie time for children Oyrs to 4yrs. \*Baked Bites\* (last Friday of every month, 3.30-4.30) Bake at home and bring it along to share over a cup of tea. \*Lego Club\* (first Saturday of every month, 10.30-11.30, for 6 to 12-year-olds, booking essential) \*Story and Craft Time\* (last Saturday of every month, 10.30-11.30. Booking essential) For four- to ten-vear-olds.

The Library is open every day except Tuesday and Sunday in Killick Way. Phone 0300 123 2224. Website: librarieswest.org.uk

# THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

from SD

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH from SL. A room without books is like a body without a soul.

# F YOU NEED HELP:

■ WILLITON SURGERY Robert Street TA4 4QE Tel: 01984 632701

Out of hours: 111

NHS HEALTH TRAINER Rebecca Pitchers: mobile 075 000 64683 or free phone 0800 412 5502

WEST SOMERSET ADVICE BUREAU Market House Lane, Minehead TA24 5NW. Tel: 01643 704624 In the Children's Centre, Killick Way, Williton every Tuesday between 10am and 12.30pm.

CHRISTIANS AGAINST POVERTY - Free debt help

Freephone: 0800 3280006 website: www/capuk.org

WILLITON POLICE: Neighbourhood beat manager: PC 4376 Jamie Munro, Mobile: 07889 659436; Police Community Support Officers: PCSO 9273 Sue Thompson, Mobile: 07889 655209 and PCSO 7292 Peter Bolton, Mobile: 07889655193

### REE 9 WEEK IT COURSE IN MINEHEAD

Introduction to IT and computers for people. Covering the basics of: using a PC or laptop, the internet, using email, creating documents, using memory sticks and getting the most from your smart phone or tablet. No previous experience necessary, held at The Hub, Hopcott Road, Alcombe, Minehead, TA24 6DJ,. Call Chloe or Clive on 0330 0883 005. You must sign up by 10 October.

WILLITON HOSPITAL LEAGUE OF FRIENDS

There will be a borner of the second of the secon There will be a harvest festival service at the hospital on Wednesday 10 October at 3pm. Everyone is very welcome to join us. Usual cup of tea and biscuits afterwards!

VOLUNTEERS are always welcome. Are you good at carpentry? We have garden furniture that needs repairing. We also need a relief person to man the bookstall and someone to learn hand massage. Do contact us if you think you can help: Shirley and Chris on 01984 635600.

### ROBUS CLUB OF THE QUANTOCKS

At the recent AGM of the Probus Club, meeting at the Windmill Inn, the committee was re-elected for a further year. At the meeting and during subsequent conversations a wide-ranging discussion has taken place about the next year's programme. Unfortunately since the AGM, Bert Pearson has been forced by personal circumstances to stand down as chairman; Ross McKee will act as temporary chairman.

Whilst it was generally agreed that the present format of weekly meetings was appreciated by many members for the opportunity it provides for social time, it was also accepted that, in a small club, the number of meetings in the year put a lot of pressure on each member to either speak or provide a speaker several times. To address this and to offer a more varied programme, the committee agreed to find an external speaker for the fourth Tuesday of each month. These meetings will be open to members' partners and guests to increase the number present and to give an opportunity to welcome potential new members.

The much enjoyed members and friends luncheon will still take place on the second Tuesday of each month. One of the other dates will continue to be filled by the usual mix of members' talks, visits, literary and music mornings whilst the other will take the form of a "Coffee Morning" with the opportunity to socialise and exchange ideas over coffee and biscuits. The new programme is well advanced and in the coming months there will be the opportunity to hear talks ranging from stories of working around the world to life as a silversmith. The committee has also decided that, in future, the club will welcome members of either gender.

The Probus Club of the Quantocks is a friendly, informal group which gives a warm welcome to new members. For more information please give Ross McKee a ring on 01984 632653. Guv Morgan

# EMENTIA ACTION ALLIANCE FORGET-ME-NOT CAFÉ

The Sanctuary, Swain Street, Watchet TA23 0AE Tel: 07973 638030 email watchetdementia@btinternet.com

Autumn Programme (open 10.30-12 noon):

12 September - Coffee, Cake and Chat

26 September - 'Horsing about with Circles' with Jill Newton

10 October and 21 December - 'Animals from books' with Jane Sperring

24 October - 'Making mini-Catherine Wheels' with Pat Bryant

7 November - 'Making tags for Christmas Tree' with Pat Bryant

21 November - Coffee, Cake and Chat

5 December - 'My spinning wheel' with Christine Strong

19 December - Carols for Christmas

# ORDSEARCH FOR OCTOBER by Phyllis Chidgey BOYS' SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

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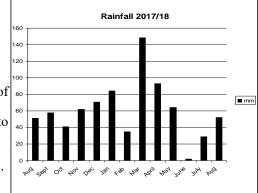
# EATHER

In the third week of September we had storms with gales of 50 mph, the remains of hurricane Helene. (the jet stream playing silly devils!). But prior to that we did have a very warm spell.

#### **AUGUST**

We enjoyed hot summer holiday weather, with temperatures up to 27°C. The coolest night was 8°C on the 31st. The maximum pressure was 30.1 inches on 17th and the minimum was 29.6 on 27th. We had a rain total of 80 52mm (2.04 inches) for the month.

Astronomical notes: You will need to book for any of the Exmoor Dark Skies Festival events. Watch out for Orionid meteors after 11pm on 21-22



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### THE WALKS PAGE

We are always pleased to welcome new walkers on all walks, but please note that you participate in the walks entirely at your own risk.

You do not have to live in Williton to join in these walks.

- \* Colin's "Walk, talk and pause to regain your breath" walks start every Friday at 12 noon by the Library in Killick Way. Wear suitable clothing and footwear and bring a picnic. For more information, ring Colin Broom on 632721.
- \* There will be **no Williton Walk** in October. Sorry. Elizabeth Peeks
- \* Williton Wanderers will meet at 10.30am on Saturday 27 October at Withypool car park (TA24 7QP just over the bridge) for a 5-mile circular walk up along Kittridge Lane to Bradymoor, down to Lanacre Bridge and back across moorland and fields. It will be muddy in parts, but the autumn colours should be great. We'll have lunch in the pub or tea rooms when we return, though of course you can bring a picnic if you prefer to eat *al fresco*. For more information ring *Jenny* on 01984 634899 or email willitonwindow@yahoo.co.uk
- \* West Somerset Mineral Line Assn Saturday 20th October Meet 9:45am at Ralegh's Cross Inn car park TA23 0LN. We visit Beulah Chapel, the old Brendon village and the Winding House. Then we go down the incline to Comberow, through the woods to Leighland Chapel and circle back via a picturesque waterfall. Bring a packed lunch and wear walking boots. About 7 miles and steep in parts. More information: <a href="www.wsmla.org.uk">www.wsmla.org.uk</a> Booking essential on 01398 323841 Free, but donations to WSMLA welcome.



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Now that the club competitions and fixtures are completed, it is again time to put the bowling green to bed. This entails removing the protective rubbers from the ditches and working on the green itself. The green is scarified, hollow tined and cut, then loam and grass seed is put on. This is done to give the club a good start when getting the green ready for the 2019 season next April.

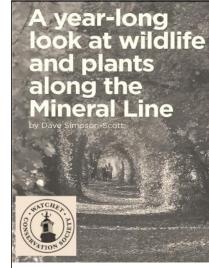
This season the league teams haven't had a great one. The men's County League side has emerged too often on the wrong side in close matches and their relegation was confirmed when they lost their final match. The West Somerset League side fared better and are comfortable in mid-table position at the end of the season. The ladies, once again, found getting teams together difficult through lack of numbers for certain matches. In the Exmoor Trophy League, played between Williton, Porlock, Minehead and Watchet, Williton more than held their own but were not good enough to win. All the friendlies have been enjoyed, with most of them finishing with a win for Williton.

Last winter saw the club hold some pleasurable social evenings, which gave members the chance to socialise between seasons.

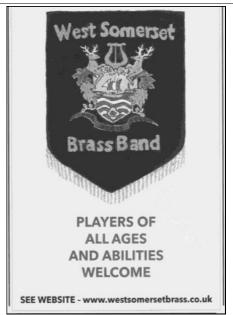
Because of excellent, ongoing hard work by members, the club's buildings, green and surroundings are in good condition. However, we do still need more members - particularly ladies - to help the club thrive. Over the winter months do think about coming down next summer and having a go at bowling or becoming a social member. We are a friendly bunch and you will be made very welcome. If you have never played before, free coaching is available. For those with problems with mobility, the club - thanks to Tesco - now has two wheelchairs for use on the green.

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Dave Sully, President



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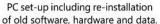
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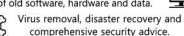
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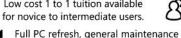


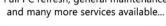
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