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Kenn Village Harvest Flower Festival

> ST JOHN'S CHURCH & STONEHOUSE FARM

Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th September

10.00am to 6.00pm

Competitions in the Village Hall

Clevedon Town Majorettes Cream Teas

Musical Evening in the Church on Saturday at 7.30pm (admission by ticket only)

In aid of MACMILLAN NURSING SERVICE and ST JOHN'S CHURCH, KENN BUILDING FUND

PASSION FLOWER

Throughout Christendom symbolises the passion of Christ.

The three stigmas are the three nails driven through hands and feet. The five anthers the five wounds He received.

The rays of the corona the crown of thorns.

The ten parts of its perianth are the ten disciples omitting Peter who denied and Judas who betrayed Him and the pointed leaves are the hands of His persecutor.

SNIPPETS

FLAG FLYINGS

Our flag was flown on:

August 4th when Her Majesty the Queen Mother celebrated her ninety second birthday

July 27th to celebrate the safe arrival of Jessica Nellie Rose, daughter of Paul and Rebecca BRETT and first granddaughter for Mr and Mrs Fred FENWICK of The Laurels

August 8th for the wedding of Susan BEES and Roger GRIFFIN and on August 15th for a double wedding, a most unusual event in our small church. Elizabeth STEER married Martin STOWELL and her sister Caroline married Stephen NEWELL

and at half mast on August 20th for the funeral of Mrs Ada BEES, formerly a resident of Kenn. Our sincere sympathies to her family.

WELCOME TO NEW ARRIVALS

August 17th George Stanley, son of Lucy and William MORGAN and a first grand-son for Doctor and Mrs BULLOCK.

August 18th Max, son of Jeff and Stella NAISH, fifth grandson for Mr and Mrs Raymond NAISH.

TRAFFIC CONGESTION

On July 20th for about 5 hours traffic

was diverted through Kenn following a fire on the motorway. This produced a continuous line of slow moving cars and lorries etc of every description.

JUMBLE SALE

Many thanks to everyone who gave goods and worked hard to raise £138-00 for funds for the maintenance of Kenn Village Hall. It was good to have the help of Jessica and Daniel QUINN, Andrew JENKINS and Leon NAISH.

SICK LIST

Mr Jim NOAD has had a short stay in hospital - we wish him a speedy recovery.

WELCOME

We welcome Mr and Mrs FORD who have moved into the Old School - we hope they will enjoy living in Kenn.

PRIZE CATTLE

Many congratulations to Mr John Withers of Moorside Farm whose cattle were entered at the Mid-Somerset Show at Shepton Mallet. The awards collected were: first prize for heifer born since June 1987; first prize for heifer in calf born since 1987 and first prize for a pair of heifers.

DIARY DATES

- ⇒ 6th September, Kenn Fun Run
- 9th September, W.I. 7-30pm speaker Mr Alan ROME on Bristol Cathedral and St. Mary Redcliffe
- ⇒ 11, 12, 13th September, Kenn Flower Festival
- 21st September, Kenn W.I. Skittles evening at Yeo Valley Sports Club.

PATIENTS PARTICIPATION GROUP

There is a talk to be given by Dr R WILLIAMS, a psychiatrist, on 7th September at 7-45pm in the Clevedon Health Centre on the subject of adolescents and risk taking.

MESSAGE FROM ??!

Once a year Big Ed recharges her batteries and disappears off to the sun (although I'm sorry to say she won't have seen much if the weather in Kenn is anything to go by) and leaves your old three fingered typist in charge of this message. I'm always given specific instructions: be pleasant, don't upset anybody, try to write in English and keep it short. So here goes.

It has been a good year for the magazine with lots of interesting issues for us to get our teeth into. What with gypsies (even though I prefer gipsies), the football stadium, the Parish Council Meeting and Horse muck you've not been short of things to say. On the odd occasion though it got rather personal and my message is to ask all writers to think just before sending the article if it could cause unintended offence.

Please keep writing - it's the only way I'll improve my typing and you'll continue to get such a lively magazine.

Richard

DEADLINE - 20TH SEPTEMBER

BIRTHDAYS

- ⇒ 7th Mr HOLTHAM
- ⇒ 8th Hilda and Donald STAPLES
- ⇒ 10th Howard WATKINS
- ⇒ 18th Jean FENWICK (50)
- ⇒ 20th Jessica QUINN
- ⇒ 28th Heather JENKINS

BELATED BIRTHDAY

Apologies to Mark AYRES whose birthday we forgot on 22nd August.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 24th Iris and Dennis GOLDS-WORTHY
- ⇒ 27th Mark and Yvonne AYRES (Ruby).

NAISH'S NOTES

CONGRATULATIONS

Many congratulations to Dr and Mrs BULLOCK on the arrival of their first grandchild, a baby boy.

WELCOME

Welcome to the FORD family who are living in the Old School.

FUN RUN

Last reminder - Don't forget our

⇒ FUN RUN

September 6th, 2-45pm at the Village Hall. Everyone welcome. Walk, run, shove or crawl - just be there!

Bouncy castle, BBQ, games, raffle all make an enjoyable afternoon for all.

Sponsor forms are available from Kenn Stores, Simon Pascoe or myself.

Raffle prizes gratefully received.

HOME AGAIN

Rob TREBLE has been to Winford Hospital and is now back at home hobbling about on a pair of crutches. (This is no excuse for not entering the Fun run).

FUNDS RAISED

The cake and produce stall at Kenn Valley Social Club was a tremendous success and raised £93-86p. Many thanks to everyone who helped run the stall, donated produce and goods and turned up to support us.

Thanks also to the Kenn Valley Social Club for their hospitality. The money raised is to go to St. John's Church funds.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

O Lord when I reach the end of my tether I hope you are on the other end.

Sheila.

Everyone is welcome and it is hoped there will be a good attendance for this important subject.

CONGRATULATIONS

Fred and Jean FENWICK became first time grandparents on the arrival of Jessica Nellie Rose Fenwick BRETT on 27th July, a daughter for Rebecca and Paul BRETT

A second son, Max, was born to Stella and Jeff NAISH on Sunday 16th August.

Both babies and parents are doing well.

IN THE SWIM

Very many congratulations to Amy BYE who has won a badge for swimming 800 metres (for the old-fashioned that's about half a mile!) and an international S.T.A. Bronze survival award.

QUIZ NIGHT VI

October 10th is the date for the next Quiz Night. Don't forget there is only space for 25 teams and bookings are on a first-come, first-served basis; indeed 8 tables were booked immediately after the last Quiz.

Telephone me on 879747 NOW and if you can give me your supper numbers too, all the better.

Kate

KENN HISTORY GROUP

The Coffee Evening held at The Granary raised £31-50 for our funds. An interesting display of old photographs of some Kenn families and village events was on show. Our thanks to all who loaned them for the evening.

We plan to restart our meetings in October and hope to see some new faces so please feel free to come along. The date will be announced next month.

KENN FLOWER FESTIVAL

This year Harvest Festival at St. John's will be part of a Flower Festival jointly arranged by Kenn Women's Institute and the local branch of the National Association of Flower Arranging Societies. Proceeds will go to the Macmillan Nurses and the Church.

Just to whet your appetites there will be a preview and supper on Friday 11th September. On the 12th and 13th the Church and Stonehouse Farm, both decorated, will be on view to everyone. Displays and competitions will also be staged in the Village Hall. Cream teas will be available. As an addition to the Harvest Festival services there will be a concert by a Brass Quintet and some Morris dancers.

All in all an action packed weekend. Do try and come.

HARVEST SERVICES

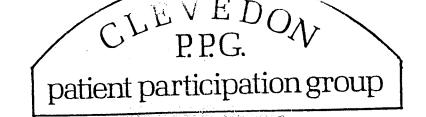
The times of the harvest services in St. John's Kenn on Sunday 13th September are:

- ⇒ 11am Family Service (when the children bring their gifts)
- ⇔ 6pm Songs of Praise
- → 7pm Harvest Snack Supper in the village hall (£1-50)

Could adults please leave their harvest gifts in the church porch on Friday morning, before 10am if possible.

BEST KEPT VILLAGE

The results of the Best Kept Village Competition have just been received. The winner of the Small Villages Cup was Old Sodbury with 92% and the Large Villages Cup was a tie between Tickenham and Hawksbury Upton with 91%. Kenn had 81% and was eighth in our section of the competition. Usually there are some judges comments on the notification but this year there were none, perhaps they will follow later.



Clevedon Patient Participation Group

What is the Patient Participation Group?

The PPG is a local group which represents Clevedon patients. It, was started up in 1988 at the instigation of local GP's with the aim of bringing together the 'consumers' of the local health service (i.e. the Patients) with the 'retailers/providers' of the service (i.e. the Doctors/Health Care Team), rather like a Parent/Teacher Association or a Tenants' Association.

The PPG hopes to improve the effectiveness of the 3 practices in Clevedon by liaising with the Doctors and Health Care Team, and giving them feedback on issues of common concern. We aim to be the 'voice' of local patients.

Over the last 3 years the group has arranged a variety of health education meetings for the public, involving guest speakers and local GPs. The topics have ranged from 'Looking after your back', 'Asthma', 'Coronory Heart Disease' and 'Migraine'.

The Group aims to start up self help groups as required. A very successful Diabetic Group has already been established.

The PPG has a fundraising team and a range of items has been bought for the practices including Carver Chairs for the waiting rooms, Baby Mats for the clinics, and an Articulated Spine for use of the physiotherapists. At present funds are being raised to buy a Portable Resuscitation Kit for the 'on call' doctor to carry in his/her car.

If you have any suggestions or comments to make about the local health service, or the way in which the PPG could help patients, please put a note in the PPG suggestions box at the Health Centre or Sunnyside Surgery. Your comments will be most welcome; criticism will also be welcome and we will try and use any criticism as constructively as possible.

All our activities are posted on the PPG notice boards at the Health Centre, Sunnyside Surgery and the Hospital, and we advertise our events regularly in the 'Around the Towns' column of the Clevedon Mercury.

Please support the local Patient Participation Group!

PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

At the last Meeting of the Parish Council it was noted that the Jubilee Tea had been very much enjoyed and the thanks of the Parish Council to the organisers and helpers who made it so successful were minuted.

Great concern about the effect of the weight restrictions in Yatton High Street on local firms was expressed. The Parish Council will ask the County Council to place a great deal of emphasis on this when the final decision is taken after the experimental period.

Only one family approached Parish Councillors about house numbering in the village. Can the Parish Council assume that everyone else is indifferent?

It was unanimously agreed that the planning application for an open air market on the football ground car park should be opposed because to allow it would set a dangerous precedent for the site.

The next meeting will be held on 5th October in the Village Hall at 7-30pm. All members of the public are welcome to attend.

FRIENDS OF KENN CHURCH

The Friends of Kenn Church met for their annual meeting on Tuesday 18th of August. Twenty six parishioners attended and the Revd. John CRUSE presided.

Mrs. Jean INGS was re-elected as secretary and all those present at this or past meetings would be known as the Committee of the Friends of Kenn Church.

The main item for discussion was the architect's quinquennial survey. Although he has made several recommendations the most urgent concerned the roof with a possible repair cost of between £15 -20,000. It was agreed that work should not begin until the money had been raised and a lively discussion ensued as to how this could be achieved.

The general cost of running the church was also discussed since there seems little point in fund raising to repair the roof only to see the church close in a few years as costs continue to rise and weekly giving falls. It was felt that perhaps the church could be used for purposes other than just Sunday worship, it could then become the focal point of village life again and make the tremendous effort of fundraising worthwhile.

GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE

Some years ago part of the churchyard was designated as a Garden of Remembrance for the interrment of ashes. Churchyard regulations are extremly strict and those concerning special gardens of remembrance even more so. Unfortunately, this has caused a lot of distress to families who would have liked to mark their loved one's place with a plaque or stone, but because of the rules are unable to do so. The erection of a memorial board containing the names of those laid to rest in the Garden was thought by the PCC to go some way to ameliorate this distress and the families involved have been notified by letter.

In addition the first row of plots is now full and because of the problems the present PCC have encountered and their belief that it is disrepectful to walk on newer plots to get to the back ones it was decided to close the garden except to the near relatives of those interred there already. In future ashes will be interred in the main churchyard.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Dennis GOLDSWORTHY has recently retired as treasurer and the job has been taken over by Mr. Ray NAISH and Mrs. Rene BELL. The finances of the church were again discussed (highlighted in last months News and Views), and it was decided that much work would need to be done to make up the shortfall.

FLOWER FESTIVAL

This is to be held over the Harvest Festival weekend 11-12 and 13th Sept. (see advert). There will be a snack supper in the village hall after the Songs of Praise, price £1-50 by ticket only.

BAPTISMAL ROLL

The original baptismal roll is to be retored and framed in order to preserve it.

THANKS

Miss Lucy BAKER has recently retired as Sacristant and carer of the church linen. Mrs. Jean NAISH offered her thanks on behalf of the church, echoed by all those present.

Mr. Dennis GOLDSWORTHY was thanked for his work as treasurer.

Mrs. Jean Ings was thanked for tending the Garden of Remembrance.

The Revd CRUSE thanked the churchwardens for their efforts and all those who helped in many different ways. The meeting closed with prayers.

SCONES

The donation of scones for the cream teas during the Flower Festival celebrations in September would be welcomed by Avril GAUNT and Marianna MACKAY.

THANK YOU

Paul and Rebecca BRETT would like to thank everyone in the village for their kind enquiries and prayers when their daughter Jessica was admitted to the Special Care Baby Unit following her birth. They are pleased to report that she is now home and doing very well.

COMMENT

After reading the letters in the June and July issues in response to the letter in the May issue regarding "Horse Manure" in Kenn, I regret if any offence was taken, but feel we all have to consider other

people's health, safety and well being. We none of us wish to make a nuisance of ourselves and cause any problems, we none of us wish to spoil anyone's pleasure.

Life is for living so that other people might live.

KENN VALLEY SOCIAL CLUB

Membership fees are due by 11th September. These are;

- ⇒ Single £5
- ⇒ Husband/wife £7-50

Children are free.

PRIZE STUDENT

Very many congratulations to Danny BEDFORD on 4 excellent A Levels. We wish him all success in his future studies at Nottingham University.

ADA MAY BEES

Ada BEES has passed away aged 59 in Clevedon Hospital after a long illness, just one week after she attended her daughter's wedding in Kenn Church.

Ada was born in this village and lived here until moving to Clevedon about 15 years ago.

Her funeral service was in Kenn Church on August 20th and she was buried in the Churchyard in a family grave.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to her husband Charlie and his family.

Ray NAISH

COFFEE MORNING

Many thanks to everyone who supported the coffee morning at Stonehouse Farm for St John's Flower Festival. The total amount raised was £120, many thanks to all who helped.

LOOKING BACK 1882

Ken School - The report of the Diocesan Inspector has been received. Each class

obtained the highest commendation "Very Good" in every subject. The Inspector writes that the children passed an excellent examination. All parts of religious education appear to have received due attention from the mistress, with satisfactory results.

"This is the best report that the Ken School has yet obtained and must be highly satisfactory to the esteemed Vicar, the Rev. T. Trevor STILL."

I wonder if anyone could tell us who the school mistress was and the names of any of the pupils. Does anyone know what happened to the school bell when the school was closed in the early 1950's?

Ray NAISH

TYPIST'S THOUGHT

I'm sure many will think me ignorant but when did Kenn acquire its extra "n" and what was the reason? Could Ray or the History Group help?

FOOTBALL MATCH

There were several people from Kenn at the first football match to be held on the new field in Davis Lane, Kenn. Clevedon got off to an excellent start by beating a Bristol City side 5-2. People were very impressed by the excellent facilities that have been built in the new stadium.

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THE GOOD OLD DAYS

We met, we married a long time ago,
He worked for long hours and wages were low.
No telly, no radio, no bath, times were hard,
Just a cold water tap and a walk up the yard.
No holidays abroad, no carpets on floors,
We had coal on the fire - we never locked doors.
Our children arrived - no pill in those days,
And we brought them up without the state Aid.
No valium, no drugs, no LSD,
We cured our pains with a good cup of tea.
If you were sick you were treated at once,
Not "fill in a form and come back next month".

No vandals, no muggings there was nowt to rob,
In fact you were rich with a couple of bob.
People were happier in those far off days,
Kinder and caring in so many ways.
Milkmen and Paper boys would whistle and sing,
And a night at the flicks was a wonderful thing.
Oh, we had our share of troubles and strife,
But we had to face it, that was life.
But now I'm alone and look back through the years,
I don't think of bad times, the trouble and tears.
I remember the blessings, of our home and love,
We shared them together, and I thank God.

PATRON: Her Royal Highness The Duchess of Kent, G. C. V. O.



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The fight to save young lives

21 July 1992

Our Ref: GW/MS

Mrs Pascoe
Willow House
Kenn Street
Kenn
Avon
BS21 6TN

Dear Mrs Pascoe

Thank you very much for your letter of 5 July, which enclosed the substantial donation of £872.20, raised by holding a disco at the village.

I am delighted to be able to tell you that, this donation will certainly be used within CLIC's properties.

At present all residents pay phones are rented from British Telecom. We intend to spend approximately £400.00 and buy our own, thus saving the Trust an ongoing cost of £50.00 per quarter for rent of each box.

There are also many items of soft furnishings and bedding which need to be replaced and this donation will ensure CLIC's high standard is maintained throughout its properties.

With many thanks again for your support.

Yours sincerely

GILL WHITESIDE Branches Manager

cc Mr Bernard Rudge - Finance Manager

WORDSEARCH

Contained in the wordsearch are the names of 15 houses in Kenn. Heading from each house name is the surname of the people who live there. A small prize awaits the first complete entry. Contact Kate on 879747 or leave at the shop. HAPPY SEARCH-ING.

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