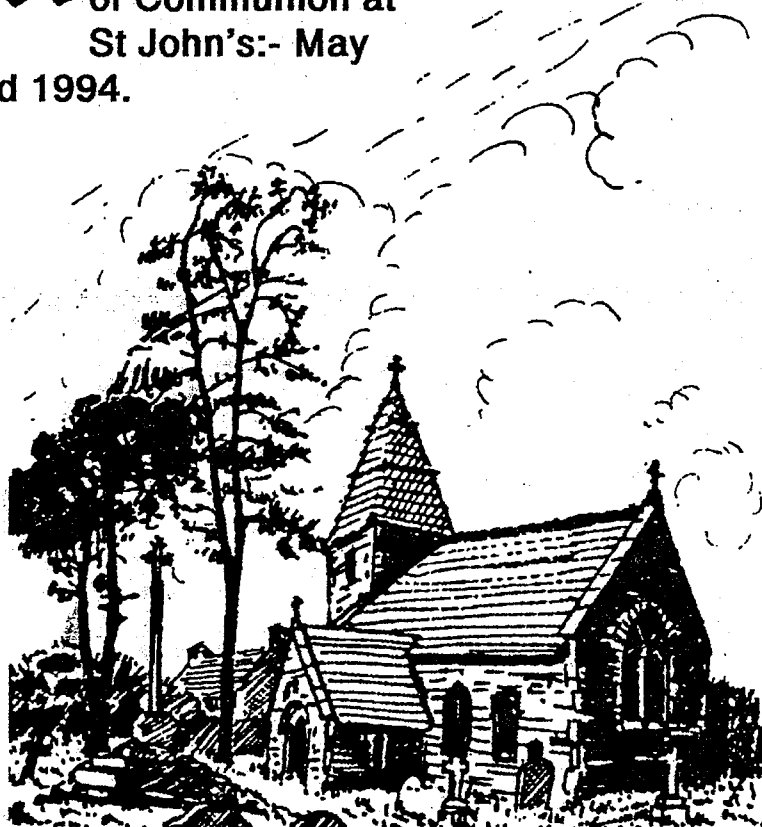


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Ary Welsh - first
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MESSAGE FROM THE EDITORS

"June is bustin' out all over" so the song says - and so it should be with the rain we've all seen this weekend (21/22nd). As the summer season gets underway many of you will be looking forward to holidays at home and abroad, with plenty of warm sunshine and blue skies to enjoy. However, don't forget your mag when it comes to the funny things that happen or any other holiday stories you have to tell. As you know we're always interested in your snippets of information or longer extracts for our readers to enjoy. So along with the postcards jot down a line or two for Kenn News and Views.

Kate and Sheila

BIRTHDAYS

- 3rd - Joshua MIDDLETON
- 5th Mrs GRIGG
- 7th - Thomas NEILL
- 10th - Christopher DENMEAD
- 11th - Julian WILCOX
- 11th - Naomi BRAIN
- 11th - Wendy PAPASOLOMON-TOS
- 13th - Lyn BYE
- 15th - Matthew GAUNT
- 18th - Ian PASCOE
- 21st - Heather BRAIN
- 21st - Dave PUGH
- 21st - Thomas BYE
- 22nd - Yvonne AYRES
- 26th - Roger WILCOX
- 26th - Lucy BAKER
- 27th - Phillippa Jenkins
- 30th - Roger DENMEAD.

NAISH'S NOTES

Welcome to Chris and Judy NEILL and their sons Harry and Tom who have moved into the village.

Our condolences to the WOODS family on the passing away of Mrs WOODS.

Congratulations to Lorraine STAPLES on passing her test first time.

Those villagers with children at Clevedon School will know that the school has recently had the inspectors in. The following conclusion to that report will be of interest to them.

"Standards of achievement were satisfactory or better in a high proportion of lessons. Standards achieved by pupils with special educational needs are higher than expected."

The report also highlighted the schools strong pastoral system, links with the community and extra-curricular activities which contributed, according to the independent inspectors from the Office for Standards in Education, to pupils' learning.

Headteacher Eric DOLLING was reported as saying that "the inspectors left few stones unturned. Governors, staff and I are pleased with the report."

Roger BROOKE, chair of the Governors said that a copy of the report will go to every parent along with any recommendations that the governors made. The report will be discussed at the AGM on June 27th.

KITTENS

I have two black kittens, free to good homes. Will separate. Gender unknown (expert required). 10 weeks old (23/5/94). Trained and weaned. All black and will be sleek and shiny.

Please contact Kate on 879747.

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SNIPPETS

BEST KEPT VILLAGE AND BRITAIN IN BLOOM COMPETITIONS

Sincere apologies to the NOAD family who offered to keep the verges free of litter from Russ Lane to Kenn Court buildings. Their name was omitted from the May issue of News and Views.

POTS ON THE VILLAGE GREEN

Mr and Mrs McCULLY have offered to plant the pots. We thank them and are pleased to accept their offer.

Volunteers are always welcome.

CONDOLENCE

We are sorry to report the passing of Mrs WOOD of Broadlands, Duck Lane, on May 14th. Her funeral took place at Weston-super-Mare on May 19th. We send our sincere sympathy to Mr WOOD and his family.

Our flag was flown at half mast on both days.

C.L.I.C.

A coffee evening organised by Kenn Women's Institute at Kenn Court on May 18th raised £113. Thanks to everyone who supported the evening.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to James GRIFFIN who passed his Heavy Goods Vehicle Test. He was instructed by Eddie RUSSELL who used to live in Kenn.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

June 8th. Kenn Women's Institute, 7-30pm. Speaker Miss PRIEST on "A Chinese Adventure" The competition will be for a Chinese recipe.

June 9th. Election for Members of the European Parliament.

June 25th Cow Pat Day starting at 12-30. Full details later in the magazine.

KENN VILLAGE HALL

It has been decided the exterior of the Hall shall be painted and windows repaired. Estimates for the work are being sought and it is hoped the work will be completed this year.

Despite rising costs, the Hall committee has decided rents for Kenn residents will not be increased.

Insurance for 1994 rose by £100. A copy of the accounts is in the Hall. Fund raising events will be organised; suggestions to date include:

- August Jumble Sale
- September Quiz
- November Wine and Cheese Party.

This year "Spring Cleaning" will be delayed until the painting work has been completed.

KENN HANGINGS

A book written by Derek and Jane LILLEY of Clevedon has been launched and is on sale at Kenn Stores.

TYPIST'S THANKS

A very sincere thank you to Ann HOLTHAM for providing her contributions on a computer diskette - it sure saves my poor three fingers.

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KENN WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

At the May meeting of Kenn Women's Institute Mrs. Dyer told members about the holiday she had recently spent in New Zealand. While there Mr. and Mrs. Dyer met several ex-patriots from Kingston Seymour. For those people who remembered them it was lovely to have news of them. She was warmly thanked by Mrs. Harris. The competition for a musical box was judged by Mrs. Morris and the winners were Mrs. Ings, gold, Mrs. J. Jeffrey, silver and Mrs. Milton, green.

Although Kenn is not sending a delegate to the Triennial General Meeting and has decided against purchasing a proxy vote the resolutions were discussed as being topics of interest to members. They were organ donation after death, legal aid and pornography.

It was felt that some changes should be made to the method of awarding the bursary for Denman College. It was proposed that a sum of £35 per year should be allocated from funds as a bursary for Denman College. This should be allowed to accumulate for 3 years only if not taken up in any year. If two people wish to take advantage of the bursary the money should be shared. Individual members should be eligible once in three years.

A letter of thanks for flowers was received from Mrs. Lamb who has broken her arm. The Jumble Sale made a profit of £65. Mrs. Bessant was thanked for the flowers on the President's table. Profit from the flower arranging classes will be donated to this year's charity CLIC.

At the June meeting Miss Priest will talk about a Chinese adventure and the competition will be for a Chinese recipe. It is hoped that Walton in Gordano will be our guests.

KENN PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held in the Village Hall at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 6th June. Any parishioner is welcome to attend.

BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION AND BRITAIN IN BLOOM

Judging starts for the Best Kept Village Competition on the 1st June and will continue until 15th August if we are successful in each of the rounds.

This year judging is being carried out on a dual four-point system. Each feature in the village will be assessed on the basis of its freedom from litter and on the way in which it has been maintained. Floral embellishment will be taken into account.

Marks for each feature will be awarded as follows:

No litter = 3

Very well maintained = 3

A little litter = 2

Fairly well maintained = 2

Noticeable litter = 1

Rather neglected = 1

Very badly littered = 0

Very neglected = 0

Finally the judges will award up to 20 marks for the general impression created by the village. They will be paying particular attention to private gardens, farmyards and industrial premises, to notice boards - both for tidiness and for evidence of community activity - and to floral displays. Rubbish bins should be well designed and sited. Absence of them however, will not lose points to the village unless there is an obvious litter problem. Verges of busy main roads will

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be marked leniently.

Judging in the Britain in Bloom competition does not begin until July and continues until September. Judges appear to be looking for much the same things as in the other competition although they do not give the scale of marking.

The village will be looking as good as it always does and we must hope that the sun shines so that it looks even better.

MANY THANKS

Through the Kenn News and Views, I wish to thank all my neighbours and friends for their kind enquiries and offers of help after my accident at home.

I am so glad to live in Kenn, it's a wonderfully kind and caring village.

Mary LAMB

CLEVEDON TIGERS

THE TIGERS



CLEVEDON CYCLE SPEEDWAY TEAM

More riders are wanted for Clevedon Tigers speedway team. The team now has regular friendly matches with other regional teams but our 'stock' of riders needs topping up to allow for reserves and those unable to race. Membership is only £2-50 for life. A new track is being built at the Hand Stadium in Davis Lane.

Training takes place - weather permitting - at 7pm every Wednesday night at the Davis Lane track.

For further details ring Roger or Tim DENMEAD (879747) or turn up on Wednesday. There is no age limit beyond 10 years old.

SHIRLEY VALENTINE II

Unlike the film, Jane and I did come back from our week in Corfu, which was not without its minor disasters:

1. Jane's belt buckle set the alarm off at Bristol Airport resulting in a body search - unfortunately for her by a female security staff member.

2. Kate bought her 200 duty free ciggies on the plane and left them there. Yes, I suppose it was a hefty hint!!

3. We were transported through the village resort by Jeep to our accommodation. Guess who sat in the back with our cases while Jane got the passenger seat next to the sexy taverna owner!!! (Typist's note: I understand the owner's brother was also rather sexy - is it significant that he doesn't get a mention in Kate's missive?) This journey also involved driving along the beach in the dark. It was also Easter Monday when we arrived, so most things were shut occasioning a return stumble along the beach in search of supper.

4. Kate got tiddly (Typist: More like Brahms and Lizst, I heard) on the local vino (Las Des Roches, Yum yum!) resulting in a tumble up a step in the dark and a grazed knee.

5. And finally, the earth moved on day 1!! (Typist's note: it involved the bedhead banging furiously against the wall, ask Kate for her explanation). Sitting reading at 1-20am of our first night, everything started to shake. We tried to convince ourselves it was Concorde, but next

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morning learned that it was an earth tremor!!

Friends of mine are off to Rhodes next week and their literature tells them that earth tremors do happen, but they've had their average quota so far this year. We know, we were there.

Happy holidays.

Kate

TOYS FOR ZAMBIA



The parish of Yatton Moor is linked with the parish of Kabwe in Zambia. St. George's Church Nursery School has recently asked if we can help the children there by supplying good quality toys, nearly new or new toys, games and books.

If you have any of the following to donate or would like to help with a cash donation to purchase toys, please contact Avril GAUNT (0275 875992) or leave at the parish office, Yatton.

Thank you.

Jigsaw puzzles, dolls, toy cars, small balls, felt tip pens, crayons, water colour paints, building bricks, plasticine, play dough, childrens aprons, books (please be sensitive to African culture), games e.g. Lotto, counting games etc.

HISTORY MADE IN KENN

On Sunday May 22nd St. John's made history by having the Whitsun Communion celebrated by the first woman priest in the parish - the Revd. Mary WELSH.

Mary was ordained priest with 29 other women at Wells Cathedral on the 14th and 15th May.

After the service her many friends in Kenn wished her a long and happy ministry and presented her with a floral arrangement. The children of the Sunday Club presented her with a specially made card.

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY -



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APPEAL



The Children's Society
MAKING LIVES WORTH LIVING
A VOLUNTARY SOCIETY OF THE CHURCH OF
ENGLAND AND THE CHURCH IN WALES
Charity Registration No: 221124

On behalf of the children, young people and families helped by the Society each year, may I thank you for your kind co-operation in the recent House to House Collection Please specify event in this district.

The amount you raised was:—

£ 34 : 14

Total amount raised was:—

£ 861 : 80

Date 29/4/94

Signed Sylvia North
Collection Organiser

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SCUTTIES AND OTHER BIRDS

In last month's News and Views I asked if anyone knew the bird with the local name of Scuttie - it is the Wren. Two other birds whose local names start with screech; they are the Little Owl and the Mistle Thrush.

There are many birds and animals and various other things with local names; can anyone tell me which bird is called a Saw Sharpener or which animal is called a Johner, or what is called a Quinutt or Road Apple.

The late Jim POPE who lived in Kenn many years had a host of names for various things.

Ray NAISH

FRANK FLOWERS

I have just heard of the death of Frank FLOWERS who lived at Yatton.

Frank was brought up at Mendip View, Kenn Street and lived there until the late 1940s, so he still called Kenn his home and was very pleased when he was

invited to our Senior Citizens parties at Christmas and enjoyed meeting old friend there. At last year's party he and his wife Iris were seated at the same table as two of his old Kenn School class mates of about 70 years ago - they were Winnie COLES and Roland HAZELL.

Frank and Iris had been married 55 years last Christmas Day. Their three daughters were born at Mendip View. He spent most of his working life at Wake and Deans furniture factory, Yatton, later named Avalon Furniture. During the last war Frank was a choirister at Kenn Church.

Frank had been in poor health for a long time and died in Weston Hospital.

Our sympathy is extended to his wife and daughters.

Ray NAISH

MEDIUM ED

Our fading away Medium Ed wishes it to be known that she has lost two stones - and that this can be attested to by the local GPs.

Well done.



COW PAT II 25th June

12:30 - Onwards : KENN Village Hall.

SHEEP RACING, COW PAT (£100 Prize)

CHAMPIONSHIP TUG of WAR, (See all your local heros in action)

COW PAT TAVERN, (Festival of good Beers)

COW PAT CANTEEN, (A gourmets' delight)

COW PAT Bar-B-Que (Its a Mega Munch)

PLUS : STALLS, GAMES, COMPETITIONS.

COME ON DOWN ITS GOING TO BE FUN!!

You'll kick youself if you miss IT! "FREE ENTRY"

In aid of St Johns Roof Restoration Fund

MRS. BESS WOOD

Bess Wood died on 14th May aged 80. She had lived in Kenn with her husband Jim for the last 26 years.

They had been married for 56 years, meeting at a dance at Blackpool Tower. They first lived in Cheshire, then Essex and came to Kenn in the late 60's, living at Broadlands, Duck Lane. They have a daughter Brenda, son-in-law Terry and three grandsons.

After Jim's retirement they did a lot of travelling with their caravan to Europe as well as in this country. Jim is now living with Brenda and her family in Banwell.

Grace Griffin

HISTORY GROUP - The next History Group Walk will be on Monday 27th June meeting at Stonehouse Farm at 7.00 p.m.

Grace Griffin

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COW PAT II - SATURDAY JUNE 25TH - 12.30 p.m.
KENN VILLAGE HALL

Programme of Proposed Events:

- 12:30 Village Hall opens for hot lunches,
and Name the Cow Competition.
- 13:00 COW PAT TAVERN and Village Stalls open
- 13:30 Village Fair Events start, including:
Milk the Cow (Championship event)
Welly Throwing (Championship event)
Target Golf (Championship event)
Lift the Bale (Championship event)
Pony Rides (just for fun)
- 14:20 Winner of Name the Cow Competition
- 14:30 Fingers crossed for Your square, as the cow enters the field.
- 15:00 Sheep racing programme. Auction for owner of entrants for the first race and a tote for the punters
- 15:15 They're off !! for the first race of the day
- + 4 races
- 16:30 (approx.) Last race will be the TIN MISSION CUP Chase.
- 16:30 Tug of War starts, including Ladies !! and Junior teams competing
- 18:00 Presentation of Trophies and Certificates