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Thought for the month

*Live with "Passion"
Have as much fun as you can
Participate wherever,
whenever you can
Learn as much as you can
Choose to change and grow to be the
best that you can be*

Naish Notes

Clevedon Salerooms has opened in the old Kenn Valley Social Club site. I went along to the viewing the night before the first sale on the 1st May with two of my friends.

If you have never been to the Salerooms before, now is the time to do it. It is absolutely fascinating. There is lots of room to walk around and browse to your heart's content.

The building has been totally renovated and brightly painted, and is filled with all sorts of furniture, china, bric-a-brac and things that you haven't seen since you were a child that bring back lots of memories!

The staff are very helpful and friendly and pleased to see you. They will give you a guide price and any advice you require, but do not pressure you at all.

We spent ages picking up bits and deciding what we could buy, how much we could afford and eventually each of us put a paper bid in on something that we were sure was sure to earn us a fortune (fools and horses remembered!!!).

We had to wait for the sale the next day to see if we were successful and it was very exciting.

I do have to say at this point in time our husbands were unaware of our bidding and when we told them did not seem to show the same enthusiasm for our lots..... mine being various glass, china and ceramics.

My friend Sue's, various glass and china and 3 flying ducks, not matching but hey someone might need them and Laura a figurine, the only sensible bid made.

We were, needless to say, laughed at, and in trouble. The next day we all had to work, which was a shame as we would have loved to have been there to bid ourselves, and so had to wait for the 'phone call to arrive to say we were the lucky and proud owners of our lots!

Unfortunately, and in our case luckily, none of us were successful and are still married. BUT... we were all only a couple of £s out and so we have the bug, are going to ignore the other halves and are off to view again for the next sale and hope we are lucky this time. So watch this space, you never know - that undiscovered Ming vase might just be in that Lot!

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Unlike the comment I had at work which was "Sheila, with your luck it will just be MINGING!!!"

Anyway go along and have a look, it's brilliant.

We wish Mark and his team good luck with the salerooms and hope they are very happy and successful there.

Sheila.

Our condolences go to Mary Sayer and family on the loss of Ray.

Our best wishes go to all our village folk who are in hospital or have just returned from hospital.

Congratulations to our Local Councillors for retaining their positions at North Somerset. They are Mrs. Greta Lewis, Mrs Isabel Cummings and Mr. Peter Keogh.

The first Kenn Parish Council meeting to be held since the Elections will be held on Monday 2nd June in the Village Hall, all welcome.

Breast Cancer Awareness Walk

This will take place on Sunday 8th June, around the old Fun Run Course and will just be whatever you want to do. Walk, Crawl, Skate, Push, Run and for all Ages and all People, so that means NO EXCUSE!!!

Sponsor forms are available from Heather Jenkins or myself.

We require bric-a-brac, raffle prizes, books, cakes, plants, in fact anything to put on our table sale.

We are having a BBQ, which will be manned by our temporary Air Cadets,

who are currently using our hall for their meetings. We will provide the usual liquid refreshments for sale.

PLEASE come to the Hall, to set off at 3.00 pm and help us raise a £ or 2 for this brilliant cause.

THANK YOU

Sheila

St. John the Evangelist, Kenn

Christian Aid News (1)

It was mid-May and once again Christian Aid Week was upon us. The weather forecasts were studied and eventually ignored (if you turn up in the pouring rain you may gain the sympathy vote) as Kenn's valiant collectors sallied forth once more.

Thanks to their efforts Kenn has donated £236.36 in cash to Christian Aid. Much of this money will be used to help Third World farmers in their efforts to feed themselves, their countrymen, and just maybe raise a surplus with which to buy the goods we would like to sell them. So from a farmer blessed with the chance to farm in a land of plenty THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU Heather Noad, Ray Naish and John Griffin for pounding those pavements.

P.S. £20 more just in, if you have a donation to make you could drop it in at Cloverlea, Kenn Street. Or ring me on 01275 873554.

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Christian Aid (2)

THAT ADVERTISEMENT !!!

For the first time ever while collecting C.Aid envelopes I was quizzed (several times) about this year's television advert for C.A. Week. As promised I contacted C.A. London office to ask how come the ad could be shown so frequently, and how much was spent on the campaign. The answer was that due to a slump in the advertising market C.A. had been able to negotiate many more showings this year for the same sum as in 2002.

Christian Aid spends 2% of its income on admin and 12% on all fundraising

Julia Bush

St. John's Altar Guild

June Rota -

Mrs. W. Papasolomontos
and Mrs. M. Ball

Plants

Mrs Mary Willcox has various flower plants for sale with proceeds going to Kenn Church Funds

please contact Mary
on
01275 872837 for details.

PICNIC IN THE PARK

Saturday 28th June 2003

11 am - 2.30 pm

Salthouse Fields, Clevedon

Comperce - Tony Target

Bring your own picnic, join in the fun and help the campaign.

Lobby - Liam Fox MP

a chance to tell him what you think about Fair Trade

a chance to ask him questions about the Conservative Party's policy on international trade.

Traidcraft Stalls

A variety of fairly traded goods will be on sale.

Weigh-in at 12 noon

Bring a set of scales from home and take part in the mass photo-call with Liam Fox MP and the campaign giant "Scales of Justice"

Unfair Games

Play unfair football

Adults v children, tug of war

Letter-writing stall

Send a postcard or write a letter to Tony Blair

Every letter, every question increased the importance MPs place on the issue

Trade Justice Movement

Supported by: Christian Aid, CAFOD, World Development Movement, Tearfund, Action Aid, Traidcraft, TUC, friends of the Earth, Oxfam, MAYC (Methodist Association of Youth Clubs) Methodist Relief & Development Fund (MRDF) and many other organisations

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Once a week I play snooker with my son – and once a week I lose seven-nil or, occasionally, six-one. My ambition is to take two frames off him!

But the game's not the real point of the exercise - spending time together is.

At other times during the week we send each other text messages on our mobiles and occasionally speak on the phone.

Sometimes what we have to discuss is a matter of great importance demanding difficult decisions, on occasions we ask each other for advice, from time to time we share our problems and our joys.

Most of the time though we just indulge in pointless chit-chat enjoying being together.

Just a normal Father-Son relationship, I suppose.

If we stopped seeing each other, if we stopped chatting and exchanging news and views, if we stopped making time for each other the relationship would change.

He'd still be my son and I'd still be his dad – but our relationship would deteriorate, we'd lose the closeness we enjoy, and the trust we've built up over the years would dissipate.

So we make time for each other even if doing something else has to be sacrificed.

Shouldn't we take at least as much care over our relationship with God – the God who created us and loves us, who longs for us to be his friends, the God who offers us the gift of eternal life if only we will accept it, the God who guides us, helps us and strengthens us, the God who enables us to cope with whatever life may throw at us.

I saw a notice outside a Church which proclaimed:

“God is always at your service

—
When were you last at his?”

The Church in Kenn has been at the heart of the community for hundreds of years and for many generations – it is there to help you now.

It may not offer snooker – but it offers many ways for you to form a loving, close and creative relationship with God and looks forward to welcoming you.

With love and prayers

John Andrews
Team Vicar

Final
Yes Final Date for copy for
July Issue of Kenn News and
Views

17th June 2003
to Margaret at Chaseside,
please

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Churchyard Gates

A small group of people, John Griffin, John Ball, Bill Pugh, Bob Gale and the man from Kingston Forge have made a super job of repairing and re-hanging the gates at the western end of the churchyard.

This was a major undertaking. There was more to this job than first was thought. This little team worked through some very wet weather to get the job completed in time for the Noyes family wedding.

A plaque will be placed on the gates in memory of Jack Hanson.

Many thanks to this team for their dedication and effort

Julia Bush and Ray Naish.

Rogation-tide at Kenn

A special service was held on Rogation Sunday 25th May for the countryside and the growing crops. This is a very old tradition going back hundreds of years.

Unfortunately, this year we could not hold part of the service outside in the churchyard as is our custom, because it rained at just the wrong time.

There was a large congregation at this service which was planned by Mrs Celia Andrews.

Ray Naish

Church Elections

The elections of people who will represent Kenn Church on the Parochial Church Council for the next twelve months have now been completed.

Church Wardens

Julia Bush – proposed by

Wendy Papasolomontos,

seconded by Renee Bell

Raymond Victor Naish –

Proposed by John Griffin,

seconded by Margaret Ball.

Deanery Synod

Representative

Wendy Papasolomontos

Church Council Members

John Ball and

Geoffrey Marchant

Deputy Wardens

Wendy Papasolomontos and

John Griffin

Sidespersons

Mrs Margaret Ball

Mrs Jean Naish

Mrs Irene Stowell

Mr. John Ball

Mr. Mike Callow

Mr. Dennis Goldsworthy

Mr. Geoffrey Marchant

Mr. Bill Pugh

Mr. Cliff Edwards

Churchyard Spring Clean-up

The evening of **Tuesday 3rd June** has been selected and everyone is invited to come along and help prepare the churchyard for the Best Kept Village Competition. Meet from 6.30 – bring your own tools and invite a friend or neighbour.

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PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

Don't forget that the next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 2nd June in the Village Hall at 7.30 p.m. Why not come along and see what happens.

It is Best Kept Village time again. Help will be needed to keep the village looking smart and litter free. It would be good to win again. It must be Kenn's turn this time!

Time is given at each meeting for members of the public to raise any matter that they may be bothered about. We look forward to seeing you.

Ann Holtham

Thanks from Cancer Research UK

Eileen Nicholas, President of the Clevedon Committee of Cancer UK has written to thank everyone in Kenn for their generous contributions in the recent House to House Collections.

Special thanks to Collectors,
Joan Stevens, John Staples
and Margaret Ball

The total raised was £1,230.19

Race for Life

Joanna Check ran the 3 mile Race for Life on The Downs in remembrance of Joyce Weston. She raised over £90 for Cancer. Well done! Jo.

Drum & Monkey, Kenn

What's on at the Drum

Tuesday 3rd June 12.30
Village Lunch
All welcome

Every Wednesday Evening
9 - late The Drum Quiz

Snippets

Bereavement 13th May

We were sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Ray Sayer on 13th May and send our sincere sympathy to Mary and her family. We flew our flag at half-mast.

Celebrations

Wedding 24th May

Our flag was flown in celebration of the marriage of Emma Noyes and Simon Duffill at St. John's, Kenn

Mrs Rose Baker

30th May - Another occasion to fly our flag, to celebrate the 90th birthday of Mrs Rose Baker, joining our celebrated band of nonagenarians.

Sam Dyer - Thank you for all the enquiries and offers of help and visits they are much appreciated.

Ruth Dyer.

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Kenn Women's Institute

The Jumble Sale held on 21st May for Hall Funds raised a profit of £75. Our sincere thanks to those who braved the unpleasant weather to support the evening.

June 11th Kenn W.I. will visit Stock Farm at the invitation of the Misses Alvis.

Keep Kenn Tidy

More volunteers are needed to keep Kenn Tidy.

Thanks

The family of Barbara Russell wish to thank all the kind people who made enquiries, have sent flowers cards and gifts and have helped in any way during Barbara's long stay in hospital.

Although showing slight improvement Barbara will have to stay in hospital for the foreseeable future.

Thank you again

Rowland Russell

Dates for your Diary

Clevedon Salerooms

29th May Victorian and Later Furniture
19th June – Specialist Antique Sale

Kenn Village Hall

Monday 2nd June 7.30 pm

Kenn Parish Council Meeting
– everyone welcome

Drum and Monkey

Tuesday 3rd June 12.30 onwards
Village Lunch

St. John the Evangelist Church

Tuesday 3rd June from 6.30 p.m.

Evening Working Party to prepare
our Churchyard for the
Best Kept Village Competition

Come along and help tidy your
family graves, or if you have none,
help someone else.
Bring your own tools
The Social Event of the Year

Kenn Village Hall

Breast Cancer Awareness Walk

Sunday 8th June

Meet at 3.00 pm for Sponsored Walk
– Barbecue, Table Sales etc.

Cloverlea, Kenn Street

Tuesday 10th June 7.00 pm,
or Tutshill Farm, Kingston
Seymour about 7.15 pm.
meet for a second "Summer's
Evening Walk" with Ray Naish
and Norman Harris.

Rose Cottage

Wednesday 11th June

C.W.C.C. Coffee Morning

Cake Stall, Raffle,
Bring and Buy
Tickets £2.50
10.30 – 12 noon

Rhodyate Lodge, Rhodyate,

Congresbury

Sunday 22nd June – 2-5 pm
TEAM GARDEN PARTY

Cream Teas at the home of
Ryan and Lindy Densham.

Proceeds to KABWE APPEAL
Followed by open-air Evensong if
weather permits.

Salthouse Fields, Clevedon

Saturday 28th June 11 am – 2.30 pm
Picnic in the Park

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ADVANCE DATES

Kenn Village Hall & Field

Sunday 6th July

Barbecue and Funday for New Room and Loo Room Funds

Sat/Sun 30th /31st August

Note the date – details later

Drum and Monkey

Elvis Look-Alike Evening date to be announced

Californian Dixie Land Jazz Band
October 14th

Kenn Windmill latest

At the time of writing 20th May, two thirds of the round building, is standing approximately 6 ft. high.

On behalf of the village, I have had a meeting with the developers early in May. They confirm it will be necessary to dismantle, down to ground level, the remaining stonework, before reconstructing the mill as part of the office building.

The mill will stand two storeys high, conical in shape with hexagon type roof. The walls must, the planners insist, be rendered, also it has been agreed between the Office of Conservation and Developer, that as much as possible of the original stone will be incorporated into the new building.

I am advised that the whole scheme is contracted to be completed by the end of September 2003 and handed over to the purchaser.

I intend to seek an invitation, from either the owners or developer, for villagers of Kenn to visit the site and inspect the completed project around this time.

John Griffin, Kenn Parish Council.

Kenn Women's Institute

On the 14th May we welcomed Mr Peter Lamb of Bristol Amateur Operatic Society. Mr Lamb gave us an entertaining and very informative talk about the Society which was founded in 1894 by Bruce Bedells, a local businessman, and members of the choir of Holy Nativity Church, Knowle, principally to raise money for charity.

In 1896 the annual subscription was 10s 6d! Their first production was "The Sorcerer" by Gilbert and Sullivan, performed at Alexandra Hall, Clifton, where they remained for five years with Mr Bedells working as Chairman and Musical Director; he was involved with the Society for 33 years.

They moved to the Victoria Rooms in 1899 and produced mostly Gilbert and Sullivan operettas; as a result they developed a close association with the D'Oyly Carte Opera Company.

In the early 1900's they moved away from Gilbert and Sullivan but after scathing press reports they returned to the old formula and did many productions of "The Mikado", and other favourites such as "The Gondoliers", "HMS Pinafore", "Iolanthe", "The Yeoman of the Guard" etc. They occasionally digressed to stage "Merrie England", "Tom Jones", and "A Princess of Kensington" but their main forte was Gilbert and Sullivan.

Since 1950 they have produced such shows as "No, No, Nanette", "Half A Sixpence", "Kiss Me Kate", "Fiddler on the Roof", and many others.

The production team has been, and still is, very family orientated with Mothers, Fathers, Sons, Daughters, and Grandparents being involved. The Society has been very much the spawning ground for the professional stage for many members.

After several moves it has now settled in an industrial unit in Feeder Road, supplied by a long-standing member; there is a studio where they can perform frequent supper shows, mainly for members. An absorbing and fact packed evening!

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The competition was a fan and Rose Jeffrey won gold with Marlene Arney and Madeleine Crawley being awarded silver and green respectively.

May has been a very busy month. We held a friendly skittles evening at The Ring O' Bells on the 20th, and a Jumble Sale (attendance to which was slightly blighted by the weather) on the 21st.

On the 11th June we are deserting Kenn Village Hall for an evening 'Down on the Farm' at Mr Baker's in Wrington.

ROSEMARIE FORD 01275-542651

Thanks

Mary Sayer writes that she would like to thank everyone for the cards, letters, flowers, telephone calls and friends who called to see me.

It was all very much appreciated and helped me a great deal. People are so very kind.

BIRD NEWS

A pair of Canada Geese have hatched five goslings on the River Kenn near "Moat Cottage". These geese are comparative new-comers to this area. When they have goslings they are very clever at camouflaging themselves when on the river. When someone approaches they swim underneath the water with only their eyes and nostrils showing, making themselves look like bits of driftwood.

Around the 15th May hundreds of young birds appeared in the hedgerows, the first of this year's hatchings. Unfortunately they had to put up with several days of heavy rain, some of them must have failed to survive.

In last months News and Views, I mentioned that a small group of Whimbrels had been seen at "Decoy Pool Farm". It is a month later and they are still there, I wonder why? They generally disappear within a few days; there are reports that small groups are hanging around in different parts of the moor. I wonder if they have decided to stay in this area to nest instead of travelling to Iceland.

Stella Naish has had a one legged Great Tit feeding at her bird table for several weeks at "Nailsea Wall Farm". Miles Naish has seen a pair of Greylag Geese with five goslings in Puxton Moor.

Ray Naish

ZOOM IN ON ZAMBIA

Attention Smartie Munchers!

Tubes of Smarties are now available as a Gift from St. John's, Kenn

If you would like one, please contact Margaret Ball or collect from Church

Tubes, when the Smarties have been eaten, can be filled with cash towards the Yatton Moor

KABWE APPEAL

to raise money to build a Priest's House at St. George's in Kabwe

for more information about the project, see the board in church.

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Congresbury

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Children's Races/activities.

Proceeds to
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Followed by open-air Evensong
if weather permits.

NEED A BABYSITTER?

Recently I was chosen to take part in a "World Challenge" expedition that is going to Ecuador in the summer of 2004.

I am offering a "baby sitting" service to work towards my funding. If this could be of any use to you or your friends, please give me a ring.

If there are any other "odd jobs" that you need doing, such as dog walking or ironing for example, that would be great.

Many thanks
Lizzie Dyer
01275 873026/0797 698 2566

A Walk in Kingston Seymour - Monday 12th May

Ray Naish welcomed around 20 people, and a dog, at Tutshill Farm, Kingston Seymour, the home of Jackie and Tim Harris on a chilly, damp evening. This was the first of Ray's Summer Evening Walks and Norman Harris was our guide.

We soon reached the bank, which was part of the Portishead to Weston-super-Mare Light Railway, which was disbanded in 1940. We stopped at "Mud Lane Halt" and learned about Donald Griffin, a local farmer who brought his milk to Mud Lane Halt daily for collection. However, on Sundays the train did not run, so as there was no refrigeration he used to 'pump a hand-cart' on the track to take the milk to Weston under his own power.

As we walked along the route of the old railway, we heard that each farm kept its own milk cow, and there were very few milking cows in Yatton. It was said that the people in Yatton were so poor that they gave their children cider or beer because it was cheaper than milk.

Many people from Kenn worked at the Wake & Dean furniture factory in Yatton. This company had relocated from London around 1900.

Leaving the railway track, we diverted to "Tutshill" where we inspected "Tutshill Ear" – this is

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a stone tunnel under the bank, a branch of the River Yeo. Until the Motorway was built the Yeo River was tidal to this point and Kingston Seymour was protected from flooding by a Tide Flap at Tutshill. We were fortunate to have with us Vernon Culmstock who around 5 years ago made a new wooden Tide Flap, which Norman Harris fitted to continue the protection of Kingston Seymour from flooding when the River Yeo becomes overfull. Before the building of the sluice at Phipps Bridge the tidal Yeo allowed the sea to reach Congresbury.

We crossed Tutshill Sluice towards the river where we could see the river crossing closest to the sea. This is private land and not a public right of way – from here we could clearly see the remains of the railway crossing 4 upright columns with ironwork and several columns in the mud, nearby were the remains of the pier, which must have been quite impressive.

We could imagine the concrete jetty over 200 feet long, on sturdy wooden props, with a railway track linking it to the main line – here barges to coal from South Wales were unloaded and the coal loaded onto railway trucks bound for the Gasworks at Weston. Edmund (Pilot) Eglington with his barge The Lily carrying 60 tonnes each load – two men shovelling off the load and the barge returning to Wales on the next tide.

Stone also came in from Uphill Quarry and steel from Krupps Factory in Germany. Ironically, in 1942 the railway tracks were pulled up to provide around 16,000 tonnes of steel for the war effort. Part of Kingcott's barn is built with masts from the barges, and the Great Western Railway would have taken on the rolling stock and the steam crane.

We learned that Ray's father-in-law Fred Fortune was a fireman on the railway.

Moving away from the railway track we noted a scaffolding lookout where foxes are spotted as they approach the nearby free-range chicken farm. It was said that they come from Wick St. Lawrence. Tim and Jackie have 8000 hens and in the past 8 months 80 foxes have been disposed of as they prepared to attack the flock. Nearby is the site where a bomb landed, attempts were made to dig it out, but these failed as the bomb kept sinking deeper into the mud. This is now a bonfire site! Also nearby is a fenced duck pond, which used to be a drinking pond with a stone ramp. This was important as fresh water is essential for stock.

We heard that in the flood of 1605 the water was 5 ft. high in All Saints Church and at that time several residents of Kingston Seymour were buried in Kenn, as the flooded churchyard could not be used.

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Returning to Tutshill Farm at 8.30, we noted the spot where the old railway bank saved the farm from flooding in 1981 – many other farms in Kingston Seymour were not so lucky and were damaged by the water, silt and mud.

Our next walk will start at the same spot and Norman will guide is in another direction on Tuesday 10th June, meeting around 7.00 pm.

Margaret Ball

Clevedon Salerooms

Fine Art Auctioneers & Valuers

The First of Ma(n)y

Anyone driving though Kenn on the 1st May can hardly have failed to notice the hive of activity at the first Auction at Clevedon Salerooms Auction Centre, formerly the site of the Kenn Valley Social Club.

At one point 140 cars were counted on the site! The first item sold was a child's rocking horse, purchased by a bidder whose sole intention was to buy the first lot offered at the new saleroom regardless of what it was! Fortunately for him it was not one of the more expensive antiques!

With just under 500 lots on offer there was something for everyone and for those who had already spent too much there was always the picnic tables and benches and one of Lyn's tasty bacon rolls.

It was good to see a number of residents of Kenn at the sale and at least one local lady appears to have become completely hooked on auctions after only one day.

The sale will be held once a fortnight and we look forward to seeing more villagers at the salerooms.

The success of the first sale day is perhaps summed up by the man who entered the car park, drawn by the number of people and cars, parked his own car, sat down to a bacon roll and cup of tea and then asked what exactly was happening here today!!!

Toby Pinn
Clevedon Salerooms

Children at School

I have recently watched a programme on T.V. about the stress and pressure that children and young people are under to pass exams and get good results at school. Some are almost driven to the point of suicide.

My grandchildren tell me that some of their friends are made to stay in their rooms every evening by their parents to get their homework done with the result that they get very little social life and are very miserable.

When I hear things like that I can't help thinking what a wonderful, carefree life we children who lived in Kenn had during the 1930's. At that time the word homework had not

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been invented. When we came out of Kenn School at 3.30 that was it, all the rest of the time was our own.

At that time, every child in Kenn, without exception attended the local school until they were eleven years old. Then they went to either Clevedon or Weston schools.

This meant that all the children in the Village knew one another. That a difference today, when the few children in Kenn attend about ten different schools. The result is very few of them know one another. What a tremendous loss to Village Life

Going back to the 1930's, people had very little money. Few people earned two pounds per week. If a child had a penny they were rich. But all were happy. All the children in Kenn Street, the Griggs, the Moores, the Stowells, the Naishes congregated at "The Barton" which was a grassy area beside "White Cottage" now the roadway into "New House Farm" each evening.

The girls often played hopscotch in the road, there was no motor traffic then. There were only about three cars in the village.

The boys often went for walks across the fields, sometimes down as far as Mead Moor.

In those days the children who did not have to go to Clevedon schools seldom left the Village. A trip to Clevedon or Yatton was a big event.

Those of my age group were only asked to take one school exam in all their school life. This was called "The Scholarship" and taken at ten years of age. If they had poor results no one said a word. All left school at fourteen. This small amount of education did not stop many young people from Kenn becoming very successful business people.

Ray Naish.

The following is an exact copy from a 1950's Home Economics Book

Textbook: Good Wives Guide

Have dinner ready. Plan ahead, even the night before, to have a delicious meal ready on time for his return. This is a way of letting him know that you have been thinking about him and are concerned about his needs.

Most men are hungry when they come home and the prospect of a good meal (especially his favourite dish) is part of the warm welcome needed.

Prepare yourself. Take 15 minutes to rest so you'll be refreshed when he arrives. Touch-up your make-up, put a ribbon in your hair and be fresh-looking. He has just been with a lot of work-weary people.

Be a little gay and a little more interesting for him. His boring day may need a lift and one of your duties is to provide it.

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Clear away the clutter. Make one last trip through the main part of the house just before your husband arrives. Gather up schoolbooks, toys, paper, etc. and then run a dustcloth over the tables.

Over the cooler months of the year you should prepare and light a fire for him to unwind to. Your husband will feel he has reached a haven of rest and order, it will give you a lift too. After all, catering for his comfort will provide you with immense personal satisfaction.

Prepare the children. Take a few minutes to wash the children's hands and faces (if they are small), comb their hair, and if necessary, change their clothes. They are little treasures and he would like to see them playing the part.

Minimise all noise. At the time of his arrival, eliminate all noise of the washer, dryer or vacuum. Try to encourage the children to be quite. Be happy to see them.

Greet him with a warm smile and show sincerity in your desire to please him.

Listen to him. You may have a dozen important things to tell him, but the moment of his arrival is not the time. Let him talk first - remember, his topics of conversation are more important than yours.

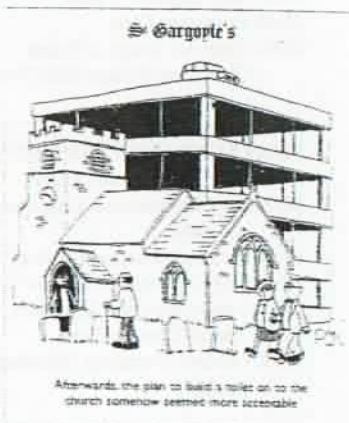
Make the evening his. Never complain if he comes home late or goes out to dinner or other places of entertainment without you. Instead, try to understand his world of strain and pressure, and his very real need to be at home and relax.

Your goal. Try to make sure your home is a place of peace, order and tranquillity where your husband can renew himself in body and spirit.

Don't greet him with complaints and problems. Don't complain if he is late home for dinner or even if he stays out all night. Count this as minor compared to what he might have gone through that day.

Make him comfortable. Have him lean back in a comfortable chair or have him lie down in the bedroom. Have a cool or warm drink ready for him. Arrange his pillow and offer to take off his shoes. Speak in a low soothing and pleasant voice.

Don't ask him questions about his actions or question his judgement or integrity. Remember, he is the master of the house and as such will always exercise his fairness and truthfulness. You have no right to question him. A good wife always knows her place.



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SERVICES FOR JUNE 2003

1st Sunday 1st

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION)

08:00 Holy Communion Kenn

08:00 Holy Communion Claverham

09:30 Parish Communion Yatton

09:30 Holy Communion Cleeve

11:00 Family Service Kingston
Seymour

18:00 Evensong Yatton

2nd Sunday 8th

DAY OF PENTECOST

(Whit Sunday)

08:00 Holy Communion Yatton

08:00 Holy Communion Kenn

09:30 Holy Communion Claverham

11:00 Ecumenical Outdoor Pentecost
Service Yatton Junior School Field

18:00 Evensong Kingston Seymour

18:30 Holy Communion Cleeve

3rd Sunday 15th

TRINITY SUNDAY

08:00 Holy Communion Claverham

09:30 Parish Communion Yatton

11:00 Patronal Festival Cleeve

11:00 Holy Communion Kingston
Seymour

14:30 Holy Baptism Yatton

18:00 Evensong Kenn

18:00 Open Air Songs of Praise
Claverham Village Hall Field

4th Sunday 22nd

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

08:00 Holy Communion Yatton

08:00 Holy Communion Kingston
Seymour

09:30 Parish Communion Yatton

09:30 Holy Communion Cleeve

10:00 Family Service Claverham

11:00 Family Service Kenn

18:00 Outdoor Evensong Rhodyate
Lodge

5th Sunday 29th

PETER, APOSTLE

(Second Sunday after Trinity)

08:00 Holy Communion Kenn

10:00 Team Communion Yatton

18:00 Team Taizé / Iona Meditation
Yatton

HOLY DAYS IN JUNE:

11th BARNABAS, APOSTLE

08:30 Holy Communion Claverham

19th DAY OF THANKSGIVING FOR HOLY COMMUNION (CORPUS CHRISTI)

19:30 Holy Communion Yatton

24th THE BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

08:30 Holy Communion Yatton

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Daily 08:30 Morning Prayer at Yatton
(except Holy Days)

Every Wednesday

10:00 Holy Communion Yatton

14:15 Pram Service at Yatton (in
school term time)

1st Wednesday in month

11:00 Holy Communion at Kingston
Seymour

3rd Wednesday in month – 18th June

11:00 Holy Communion at Kenn

4th Wednesday in month

11:00 Holy Communion at Claverham

Every Thursday

09:30 Holy Communion at Cleeve

19:30 Holy Communion at Yatton