

KENN NEWS & VIEWS

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

May

- 1st Hartley Staples
Lynne & Steve Bye WA
3rd Cyril Willcox
Chloe Hayzen
4th Nigel Middleton
5th Sarah and Tom Clark W.A
8th Mike Stowell
Tina & Nigel Middleton WA
10th Jilly Butland
Jayne Morris
11th Tina Middleton
12th Robert Porch
15th Samuel Leiper
20th Harrison Flower
22nd Duncan Mackay
Bradley Beardshaw
26th Brian Stowell
Jane Staples
Colin Webb
Emily Limage
27th Christopher Jaehme
28th Sally White
29th Milly Stowell
Trina Willoughby
Samuel Rogers
30th Joanna Brain

St. John the Evangelist, Kenn

21st May - ASCENSION DAY

Ascension Day begins early with a celebration of Holy Communion at All Saints, Kingston Seymour at 6.30 am.

This will be followed by a full English breakfast for the congregation at the home of John and Celia, Cherry Tree House, Ham Lane, Kingston Seymour.

Kenn Altar Guild

May Rota

Mrs Grace Griffin, Mrs Joyce Kent
and Mrs Troy Gale

The Annual Vestry Meeting of St. John the Evangelist, Kenn

**Held on Easter Sunday 12th April, 2009
following 11.00 am Holy Communion**

Prebendary John Andrews welcomed over 40 parishioners and visitors to the meeting and noted that Don and May Hazell were celebrating their 65th Wedding Anniversary that day

The minutes last year's Vestry Meeting were read and agreed. John expressed his thanks to Julia and John for their love and support during the past year.

Election of Churchwardens

There were two nominations handed to the Vicar before the meeting.

Julia Bush, proposed by Ray Naish, seconded by Cecilia Andrews

John Ball proposed by Ann Holtham , seconded by Jean Ings

Julia and John were duly elected and this result was greeted by a round of applause.

The meeting closed at 12.05 pm

April Family Service

There was something distinctly fishy going on at the April Family Service at St John's. Celia brought a 'fish cake' and Robin arrived with a net full of fish of all colours and sizes (courtesy of Caroline, these fish act as a 'cast of thousands' in lots of parables and such).

First we heard the reading about Jesus cooking breakfast for the disciples, who cast their net on the other side and came home with a bumper catch. Then we saw the drama, written by Celia and acted by children of all ages. By that time we were all waiting for the fish supper, but were more than happy to eat fillets cut from the fish cake, and drink coffee or squash over a good chat.
Julia Bush

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The Churchwardens' report.....is
read at the 'APCM' (the church's
AGM) and then sort of disappears
for twelve months 'til it surfaces in the
next year's Annual Report.

Really, some of it should be right
here... Here I want to thank
everyone who helps keep Kenn
Church in such good condition week
by week.

When I take visitors into the church, I
know, as I open the door, everything
will be spick and span.
The churchyard is tidy.
The maintenance is up to date.
It's a joy. So, whatever you do, from
playing the organ, cleaning and flower
arranging, to mowing the grass and
putting the bins out.

Thank you. Julia Bush and John Ball.
Churchwardens, Kenn

Easter Services at Kenn.

As is customary at St John's, a service
of Meditation was held on Good
Friday morning, when the
congregation read verses from
crucifixion narrative, dialogue
from the ordinary folk who could have
been there, and spent a short while in
quiet reflection.

Our Easter Family Service was held in
a church full of flowers, a grand sight
after the plain time of Lent.

Lots of thanks to everyone who
worked hard to make St John's look so
lovely.

Thank you Caroline for the Easter
Garden (and for the egg hunt after the
service). It was good to sing the Easter
hymns and celebrate the resurrection
story.

Julia Bush

Our Flag

We flew our flag on the following
occasions:

9th April at Half-mast for the funeral of
Mrs Irene Russell
12th April Easter Day
14th April - Half-mast for the funeral
of Miss Jessie Gardner
18th April For the wedding of
Kathleen Smith and Robert Kirkby
23rd April St Georges Day.

Church Tower flood-lighting.

23rd April for St. George's Day

Thanks

I would just like to say a Big
Thank You to all those who sent
me flowers, get well cards,
made telephone calls and
enquiries during my stay in
Weston Hospital. It was very
much appreciated. I am
beginning to make progress
and feeling stronger each day.

Thank you all once again.

Sue Pugh

WELCOME

We are pleased to welcome Mike and
Val who moved into Mead Cottage in
Duck Lane early in April, having come
from Cornwall.

Previously they lived in Nailsea. They
have already experienced the Village
Market and we look forward to seeing
them at other Village Events.

We wish them every happiness in their
new home

Troy and Julian

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from Hazel Limage

hazel.limage@kennvillage.co.uk

Hi All – I've been asked again to start a group so that notices and information can be Jungle Drummed a bit faster round the village... You should have received an invitation to join the group. It works just like Freecycle – someone sends a mail to the server (e.g. – tractor for sale, one careful owner...) and the server sends it on to everyone in the group.

There's absolutely no obligation to accept the invite to join – but if you DO join it will be fabulous. Then when someone has a ton of topsoil, or extra tomato plants, or a coffee morning (hint, hint) or is getting married or needs a babysitter or wants to borrow a pram or has a glut of runner beans or anything at all, then lots of people can be told straightaway.

It would, of course, be great to get everyone possible into the group – so if you know of someone who'd like to be included perhaps you can get them to send me an email and I'll sign them up.

The group is going to be unmoderated (i.e. – no one messes with the messages, they just go out as is).

Thanks again to the people who agitated for the group – sorry it's taken a while for me to get round to it!

MIRACULOUS

An upside down miracle is promised by members of Kenn Sunday Club for the Coffee

Morning in the New Room on 16 May, 10am to Noon.

They heard the story of Jesus turning water into wine at a wedding and have decided to do it the other way round - wine into water.

They are inviting people to send or bring bottles of wine to the Coffee Morning and then Celia will offer it to people there - hoping, of course, for a donation. Money raised will go to a water based project run by Christian Aid.

The Sunday Club has also thought up a fiendish puzzle for the Coffee Morning - details when you get there.

Members will spend the Sunday Club session on 3 May at 9.30am hearing about the water project and taking part in water based activities and craft-work.

Everyone is invited to the Coffee Morning and all local youngsters to the Sunday Club, which meets every 1st and 3rd Sunday in the New Room from 9.30am. Anyone unable to come to the coffee Morning but wishing to give a bottle should contact Celia, Julia or Helen.

Celia

Churchwarden – John Ball's Report
APCM Sunday 26th April, 2009

I have pleasure in reporting on the fabric of the church of St. John the

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Evangelist, Kenn. Everything seems to be in order and we are now due a Quinquennial Inspection.

Following the work on the organ and the redecoration of the ceiling in 2008. This year attention has been focussed on the Tower and the Bell itself.

As agreed last year, the Whitechapel Bell Foundry was entrusted with the task of removing the bell from the tower and taking it to London where they took out the wrought-iron staple and turned the bell and replaced it with a new staple and headstock and frame. Our bell was returned last week and on Thursday 23rd April the bell-hangers Peter and Neil completed their work.. It sounds simple but the ancillary work of making a new wheel, headstock etc. is truly skilled, and the service received was exemplary.

We now have to wait three weeks for the retaining concrete to cure and then our bell will be back in service.

The cost of this work has been covered by the generous bequest from the late Jack Hanson and there should be enough in that fund to cover the contingency tasks.

The contingency tasks include replacing the floors and ceilings, which were removed to allow the egress of the bell. Also fitting new ladders, with handrails for safety. Various pointing will be done and where necessary joists will be repaired or replaced. Norman Harris has kindly agreed to assist the Kenn working party with these items.

My thanks go to John Griffin, Geoff Marchant and others who have been most supportive of this undertaking.

We are assured by Whitechapel that the bell is now good for another one hundred years.

p.s. The bell might have been back earlier, but Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth visited Whitechapel recently and perhaps she only visited because she heard that our bell was there.

Yes, she did inspect the Bell and we have a photo (displayed at K.V.H) of Her Majesty just feet away for our bell, which is identified by its weight 616

Kenn Village Clean Up

As usual we will be holding our annual clean up to rid ourselves of the litter that others leave lying around our village. The big day will be SATURDAY MAY 9th and we will meet outside the village hall. I will be there from 10am to issue bags etc. to all volunteers. We will be holding a BBQ later at Church Path Cottage for all those helpers involved in the clean up.

This year we are linking up with the KEEP BRITAIN TIDY CAMPAIGN who have provided us with tabards, bags, posters & badges to help our event. We will be providing them with photos and a report to help them to encourage other communities to sign up.

So PLEASE come along (all are welcome) for a bit of fun and some litter picking to help keep our lovely village beautiful.

See you May 9th

For more information phone Robin on 340323.

Parish Council Notes

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At the last Parish Council Meeting which was followed by the Annual Parish Meeting those who attended were pleased to see P.C. Kinsella who was able to give us the annual crime figures for 2008/09.

We appear to have been very law abiding as within the parish there were only 42 crimes reported (a reduction of 5 on the previous year) and 16 of those related to licensed premises. P.C. Kinsella told us that there have been changes to the Trading Standards Law which makes it easier to prosecute door step callers. He emphasised that bogus tradesmen must not be admitted to homes and that the police should be called.

The village will again enter the Village of the Year Competition. It runs through June and July. The big village clean-up will take place on Saturday 9th May.

Please come along and help to pick up the litter that inconsiderate passers-through throw out of their car windows.

The next meeting will be held on 1st June in the Village Hall at 7.30 p.m. All are welcome.

Ann Holtham
Clerk to the Council



Saturday April 18th was supposed to be sunshine and warm breezes – but I suppose we were a tad hopeful to trust the weather man.

Thanks to Margaret and John we had hundreds of tables and chairs for outdoor frolicking - in the event it was a good job people were willing to sit on each others' knees indoors.

And what a fabulous turn-out!! At the beginning of the day I thought we had too much cake; by midday I knew we had too little. It was splendid. And we raised a little over £300 for the excellent work that the Save the Children Fund is doing to provide mosquito nets for youngsters at risk from malaria.

Thank you, thank you, thank you – to everyone who came and ate cake, to those who couldn't come but still sent their hard-earned cash, to those who took cake to work and raised even more money, to Caroline who quietly stepped in to make all the difficult bits work, to Molly and Jane for parting people from their raffle money – isn't this a lovely village?!

By the by – there are always too many takers for some of the cakes, and it's a shame to let anyone go home disappointed. Let us know if you want a cake! We'll be only too happy to oblige – cake for mosquito nets sounds like a pretty good deal!

Hazel Limage

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Dates for your Diary

The Drum and Monkey

Tuesday 5th May

Village Lunch from 12 noon

Everyone welcome!

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BUMS, TUMS & THIGHS
With Sizzle Summerell
EACH TUESDAY 7.15pm
£3 (bring a mat)

Clevedon Salerooms

Thursdays 14th & 28th May

10.00 am

Sale of Victorian and later
Furniture and Effects.

Village Clean Up

Saturday 9th May

Kenn Village Hall at 10 am

Followed by refreshments at
Church Path Cottage

KENN VILLAGE HALL
VILLAGE MARKET
SATURDAY 9TH May
10.00-12 noon
Many stalls

Kenn Village Hall

Wednesday 13th May 7.30 p.m.

Kenn W.I.

With Margaret Adams

Visitors always welcome

The Church Room

Saturday 16th May

COFFEE MORNING

10.00 – 12 noon

Hosted by Celia Andrews

For Christian Aid

TURN WINE INTO WATER

ADVANCE DATES

The 1100th Anniversary of the
Diocese of Bath and Wells.

Celebration Saturday 4th July in and
around Glastonbury Abbey

Chaseside, Kenn
8.00pm Thursday 16th July
Meeting to discuss a
K.K.K. Event in the autumn
Come along with ideas!

Chaseside, Kenn
Sunday 13th September
Yatton Moor Mission Circle

FAMILY FUN DAY

B.B.Q. bring and cook your own!
Sports - Rounders – Games
Cream Teas available

20th September- Harvest Supper

This ever -popular event will fill
you with delight, food and
community spirit!

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Kenn Women's Institute

Peter Tinney paid Kenn W.I. a return visit for a further instalment of his boyhood and youth on the Mendips.

This time he related his experiences at that rite of passage vividly remembered by a lot of us – the Village Hall Dance.

He was very amusing about the agonies and ecstasies of those occasions when the girls arrived hours before the boys. Girls sat on one side of the hall and the boys on the other and there was a very complicated social etiquette to these events. It was good to be reminded of them.

At the May meeting we continue our rural theme when Margaret Adams talks on being a farmer's wife. Several visitors attended the April meeting and we look forward to seeing them again in May.

The expedition to the kurling match was much enjoyed. Other events have been well supported and we are looking forward to the Mystery Tour in August.

The Annual General Meeting in the Albert Hall takes place in June. This year there is only one resolution which is to urge DEFRA to put some money into research on the well-being of bees as they are so important to everything in the countryside.

Members were sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. Rene Russell who had been a member some years ago. She had lived in the village for many, many years until her health failed and she will be much missed by all who knew her.

February Coffee Morning raised £65 for Habitat for Humanity, thanks to all who came,.

Julia Bush

The Blay Family. Cake Sales

Thanks to the generosity of the people of Kenn I was able to send £125 to Mr Emmanuel Blay, which will be enough to finish the education of his youngest child.

Julia Bush

Help! Help! Help! Christian Aid Week

If you could spend a few hours collecting for Christian Aid please contact me on 01275 873554.

Thanks to all who have already volunteered.

Julia Bush

May Holiday Refuse Collection dates for Kenn

Normal Day

Revised Day

Monday 4th May - Tuesday 5th May

Monday 25th May - Tuesday 26th May

Recycling 11th and 26th May
Green Waste 5th and 18th May

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KENN VILLAGE MARKET

The Easter Saturday Village Market was a great success and raised over £90 for the Village Hall fund as well as small donations to other charities.

We were blessed with fine sunny weather, which added to the warm friendly atmosphere inside.

The next Market will be held on May 9th at the usual time; 10 till noon.

Joyce Down

Sixty-Five Years of Marriage

One of the great pleasure of being able to get to Church on Easter Morning was to be able to talk to and congratulate Don and May Hazell on the sixty-fifth anniversary of their marriage that day.

It was a special day for Don as it was the first time he had been well enough to go out since Christmas.

Don and May moved to live at Clevedon a few years ago to be near their daughter Elizabeth who formerly kept Kenn Post Office. It was a big move for them as they had lived in the same village in Kent all their lives. They ran the Village Pub.

When their health permits, they often attend Kenn Church for morning service.

Ray Naish

Kenn Church has a Wedding

On 18th April, Robert James Kirkby and Kathleen Thelma Smith were married at Kenn Church.

Kathleen didn't have far to travel to the church, she has lived next door but one to the church for almost all her life.

The happy couple rode in a horse-drawn carriage to their wedding reception at the Village Hall after the ceremony.

Ray Naish

Former Resident Visits Kenn

Josephine Munroe (formerly Burkitt) and her husband and son came to visit us recently; we were very pleased to see them.

Josephine, with her parents George and Violet Burkitt lived at "Latcham House", Kenn Street. She was married from "Latcham House" fifty years ago to Neil Munroe who was a Rhodesian tobacco farmer.

After their marriage they set up home on their farm in Rhodesia where their six children were born.

When things became difficult in what became Zimbabwe, Josephine and Neil returned to England and retired. They now live at Eastbourne.

I was amazed that they could remember so many people for Kenn and Clevedon after all these years.

Ray Naish

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BIRD NEWS I

April has seen the arrival of many of our summer birds and there is some evidence that Swallow numbers have fallen. In view of the wet summers of 2007 and 2008 this is not too surprising. Kennites were very quick off the mark to spot the early arrivals (all before me) and the earliest I am aware of was at Wharf Farm, Kingston Seymour on 25th March.

By the evening of the 18th April over 300 were feeding over the fishing lakes at Middle Lane, Kingston Seymour.

The Barn Owl news is better as a male bird has been seen regularly taking food to a box on Nailsea Wall; it seems that the dead bird found by Jeff Naish was not one of the regular pair.

The Strawberry Line Barn Owls also appear to be in a nesting mode and even the Little Owls put in a rare appearance.

Chip Granger reported a pair of Reed Buntings around her garden in Duck Lane - a garden nest would be very unusual but not unprecedented.

There was excitement at Cadbury Hill, Yatton late in March, when John Croxton and I thought that we heard a male Lesser Spotted Woodpecker. "Lesser Spots" are extremely elusive but they do occasionally come to garden feeders, especially later in the summer. They are tiny birds, no bigger than a sparrow. If anybody sees one, please let John Croxton or myself know.

Cadbury Hill is good for woodland birds and we also recorded Marsh Tit, Nuthatch, Treecreeper both regular

Woodpeckers and a couple of young Ravens.

Along the sea wall, an obliging male Merlin provided a fine sight and there were reports of Short Eared Owls. Several Wheatears passed through and a Grasshopper Warbler reeled away at Blake's Pools.

The migrant Warblers have been gradually arriving along the Strawberry Line and I have ticked off eight species so far. However, early indications suggest that (like Swallows) numbers are down, in contrast to our resident birds which generally seem to have survived the winter very well. Nearby a Mealy Redpoll was photographed at a garden feeder – although this species is also known as Common Redpoll it is anything but common.

At the Avalon Marshes near Glastonbury at least three, possible four male Bitterns are 'booming' – any more and visitors will need ear defenders! – and Marsh Harrier, Hobby and Cuckoo added to the feel-good factor.

Hopefully by June, Bitterns should be easy to spot at the Ham Wall Reserve.

At least one pair of Lapwings had chicks at Dowlais Farm, Near Clevedon by 20th April – a very early date. There were also a few migrant Yellow Wagtails present.

The B.T.O. is collecting breeding records for the National Bird Atlas and you can help. Any nesting (other than the very common species) is of interest and can be reported at www.birdatlas.net or let John or I know please.

Trevor Riddle - 01934 835208

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THE NORTH SOMERSET SHOW

**Bank Holiday Monday,
4th May**
at WRAXALL, near Bristol, on the
B3130

***One-day countryside and
agricultural show
with plenty to see for all the family***

TRACTOR PULLING

PONY CLUB GAMES

TERRIER RACING

Cows, sheep, pigs, llamas, alpacas, horses,
hamsters, rabbits, birds

Country crafts Rural demonstrations
Entertainments Trade stands
Vintage vehicles

Food and licensed bars

FREE CAR PARKING
Adults £10 – Seniors £9 -
Children £4 (under 5 free)

Family (2 adults, 3 children) £23

BIRD NEWS II

The first Swallows didn't arrive around Stonehouse Farm until April 19th and then in no great numbers.

In last month's News and View, I wrote that Miles Naish saw a flock of Swallows flying around the Sea Wall at Kingston on March 26th a very early date. I have since found out that these very early arrivals were sheltering at Wharf Farm, Kingston Seymour, the home of Thelma Blake.

Miles reports seeing a flock of Wheatears at Puxton Moor.

A Blackbird with a white head has been seen several times at Castle Farm, Clevedon. He is generally carrying food, so he must have young there. Also at Castle Farm, Jeff saw a flock of Swallows fly over with several Sand Martins flying with them.

No one seems to have heard a Cuckoo in this district to date.

Ray Naish

Bird News III

A Mallard Duck had made herself a nest in my garden at Chaseside, under my birthday present – a 4ft tall Monkey Puzzle Tree – perhaps she thinks it will protect the young from the many rooks, magpies and crows that we have.

She has been sitting tight for about a week now, so we have great hopes.

Ray's mares in the Hall Orchard have started producing, the first on Sunday 26th April.

Our harvest of baby bunnies is phenomenal – they breed like rabbits!

Margaret

What's on at The Drum!

Tuesday 5th May from 12.00
Village Lunch - All Welcome

Every Wednesday is
QUIZ NIGHT
With Prizes and a Raffle

Don't forget! You can pick up your
North Somerset Times and Clevedon
Mercury at The Drum and Monkey
Usually by mid-day Thursday

Saturday 27th June
10.00 am – 12 noon
BRUNCH

KENN VILLAGE HALL
Tickets are on sale
from John & Grace
01275 872948
Family Ticket £15
Adults £5
Children (under 12) £3
Plant and Book Stalls

To raise funds for a
Flower Festival in Kenn
in July 2010

Ethel Irene Russell

Rene Russell has passed away, aged 94, in hospital following an accident at the rest home in Portishead where she had lived for several years.

With her husband Reg, she came to live in Kenn in about 1937, they came from the Hilseley area of South Gloucestershire.

They came to live in Rose Bungalow, Moor Road. Reg was a farm worker with a job at Cleeve.

Rose Bungalow, in those days, had no facilities whatsoever, not even drinking water.

Reg was called into the army in 1939. He served for six years. Rene had a tough life during the War. She had to manage to keep her family on meagre army pay, supplemented by doing housework in several houses around. She had to fetch their drinking water with two buckets on the handlebars of

her bike from “Manor Farm”. Her children had to walk to Kenn School.

When two new houses were built on Kenn Estate in 1948, Rene was given first choice of the tenancy of one of them, which she gladly accepted. The family then had the luxury of a bathroom and piped water. Sadly Rene was left a widow when Reg died when only fifty-six. About two years later, her only daughter Brenda passed away aged only about thirty years old.

Rene got a job at Hales Cakes, Clevedon doing an evening shift to supplement her income.

Rene was one of those people who would help anyone, she had several little jobs around the village which she kept going until she was in her eighties.

A regular visitor to Bingo Halls in Bristol; this was her bit of recreation.

Rene was a very tough person, who didn't suffer fools gladly, but underneath it all she was a very kind person. She was a great friend to our family over many years.

Her funeral was at Kenn Church where she had helped decorate the windows at Festival times for many years.

There was a large congregation present of friends and family. The service was conducted by Preb. John Andrew, the organist was Mrs Mary Holmes.

Rene was buried in her husband Reg's grave in the churchyard.

Our sympathy is extended to her sons Eddie, Roland and Brian.

Ray Naish.

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Jessie Gardner

14th April 1913 -- 29th March 2009

Jessie was born in North London. After leaving school she attended Pitman's Secretarial College where she learned to type (speedily) and Pitman's Shorthand. While studying she met other students who would become her lifelong friends, including Peggy Simmonds (now living in Yatton).

Jessie's first job was at Dents the glove makers. We still have some of the beautiful gloves she bought while working there. Working in London through the blitz, Jessie and her friends enjoyed the lunch-time concerts at Southwark Cathedral. She also loved the ballet, and would queue in her lunch hour outside Sadlers Wells for cheap tickets.

After the war Jessie went to evening classes at Morley College, learning German, in order to be able to speak fluently to her Swiss friend Germaine. About this time she started working at the new London office of The New Zealand Meat Board, where she would work until she retired.

In the 1960s Jessie moved to Guildford to be near her sister Daphne, and met Elsa, an Italian lady who was to become another good friend. Jessie did her German A level (A grade) and started wine making (Hooray).

Jessie moved to Yatton in 1983 and found herself at the other end of Mendip Rd from Peggy (their friendship lasted eighty years).

While in Yatton, and later after moving to Clevedon, Jessie enjoyed many holidays with Elsa and her husband Philip who had moved to Bridport.

Due largely to the support of her sister Daphne, Jessie was able to live in her own home until she was 95.

After a major stroke and some time in hospital Jessie lived at Clevedon Court Nursing Home, where she was cared for very well.

After another devastating stroke in March 2009, she was treated with great tenderness and died peacefully in familiar surroundings.

As a single woman Jessie had a long and varied life, enjoying the company of her nieces and nephew and later their children. We shall not see her like again. Julia Bush

Jack Butland's Football update in France – April 2009

Montaigu Cup in France U16's

Well, England managed to get to the final with relative ease over Russia, Ivory Coast and United Arab Emirates in Group A.

Now comes the tricky part, the final against Germany.

Matt and Harry went over to France to watch, as one must!

Well after a dramatic no-score at the end of the match, it had to be penalties.

As Jack is the goalkeeper, then it was up to him.

There was an 8,000 strong crowd, which was fantastic.

Matt said, "Harry was shaking!"

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Well the penalty takers were having difficulties, and it was up to the last ball for Butland to save.

Well Jack saved the last ball, which made England triumphant again, and retained their title as Winners.

Last year they beat France, and now Germany.

All the England football team ran down the pitch, and piled on top of Jack.

Seen it on the video, it was Bril.

Jack has had another letter from the F.A placing him on '**standby**' for the U17 UEFA Finals to be held in Germany.

Quite an honour! Good luck Jack.

Matt Jill and Harry X

Neighbourhood Watch

A reminder that we will leave spare copies of the Neighbourhood Watch magazines in a box at the village market for those of you who do not have it delivered.

A message from Peter Hughes:

Please be aware that we have received two reports from Yatton & Nailsea areas regarding suspicious behaviour by males offering their roofing services.

In Yatton residents noticed two males taking photographs of properties & doing a leaflet drop on 30th March around 3.30pm. Their descriptions are as follows:

The first male was described as white, large build, bald head, approx 40yrs old & wearing a beige anorak, black trousers and black shoes.

The second male was white, mid to late 20s, short scruffy brown hair and was wearing a black anorak with black trousers.

The three males in Nailsea were seen in a 'silver' Ford Transit with a company signage and spoke with Southern Irish accents. They attempted to do work but were unsuccessful in this instance.

We would therefore ask all members to be vigilant at this time and to report any persons or vehicles acting suspiciously in the area to the police as soon as possible,

Please remember to ask that your call is tagged Neighbourhood Watch and quote Ringmaster number JC 719. Thank you

Peter Hughes PCSO Support Officer 01275 814516
ssnclevedon@avonandsomerset.police.uk

If you have information about any crime, phone the police on 0845 456 7000 or you can call anonymously to the independent charity CRIMESTOPPERS 0800 555 111. For general information about Neighbourhood Watch nationally see the www.mynhw.co.uk website.

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Rodbourne Cheney Parish

Magazine is the title of a 65 year old church magazine, photocopies of which were passed to me last summer by David Holmes.

The village of Rodbourne Cheyney was once a village on the outskirts of Swindon, which has now been swallowed up by that ever-expanding town. The church is still there and was where David and Mary were married in 1956. David sang in the choir there from 1940 until 1963 when they moved down to Devon.

In the current economic situation, I thought the following items might be timely:

Weekday Pages for Women with Homes.....

Monday's Washing

Soap-saver – Make yourself a washing glove (a bag made from an old piece of towelling, or a face flannel doubled) and put all your soap scraps in it. When it is half full, sew up the end and use it in the bath to wash yourself with. The soap inside lasts well and gives a beautiful lather on contact with water.

Tuesday's Sewing

Make your own vests – Take a pair of old interlock pyjamas and make your vests from the legs, which are quite good when the rest of the garment is worn out. Cut up the leg seams and use one of the vests that you are wearing as a pattern. Run the side seams with the machine and bind the top, and make straps with any scraps of matching material you happen to have and you will be surprised at the result.

Wednesday's Nursing

Good Deodoriser – Bottle a tablespoon of carbonate of soda in half a pint of warm water and shake well. Very effective.

Thursday's Cooking

Economy – If you have a double-cooker use it to make oatmeal porridge at dinner time for next morning's breakfast. Cook potatoes and parsnips in the under portion at the same time and warm small plates at the top.

Friday's Household

Turn about trick – To lengthen the life of an ordinary household brush when it has been in use for some time, cut the handle off and fit it to the other end of the brush with a small nail, minus the head, and some glue. This brings the unworn bristles into use.

Paper Saving – I have two sons in the services and do their laundry. I have made a small sack out of a sugar bag, 12 x 18 inches, finished with a two inch hem at top. I cut two pieces of white calico, envelope size and put their address on one side and mine on the other and stitched one on either side of sack before making up. So the washing goes to and fro.

MONTH'S QUOTATION

"Stoop, man Stoop, the door into the Kingdom is low"

The magazine includes a list of those on Active Service.

Margaret's Mutterings

We are delighted to report that both Sue Pugh and Kate Hatcher who spent time in hospital during March are both home and making wonderful recoveries.

Copy for June Kenn News & Views to me at Chaseside please

Tel. 874077 before the 10th May,

Thereafter to Hazel Limage at

Bram Rigg, in the Church Lay-By

or email: hazel.limage@btinternet.com

Be kind to Hazel, and don't make her chase you, please!

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SERVICES FOR MAY 2009

1st Sunday 3rd May THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8.00am Holy Communion Kenn
8.00am Holy Communion Claverham
9.30am Parish Communion Yatton
9.30am Holy Communion Cleeve
11:00am Family Service Kingston Seymour
6.00pm Evensong Yatton

2nd Sunday 10th May THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8.00am Holy Communion Yatton
9.30am Holy Communion Claverham
9.30am Family Communion and Holy Baptism
at Yatton
11.00am Holy Communion Kenn
11.00am Trinity Praise and Holy Baptism
Cleeve
6.00pm Evensong Kingston Seymour
6.30pm Holy Communion Cleeve

3rd Sunday 17th May THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ROGATION SUNDAY

8.00am Holy Communion Claverham
9.30am Parish Communion Yatton
9.30am Holy Communion Cleeve
11.00am Holy Communion Kingston Seymour
2.30pm Holy Baptism Yatton
6pm Evensong Kenn

4th Sunday 24th May THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (The Sunday after Ascension Day)

8.00am Holy Communion Yatton
8.00am Holy Communion Kingston Seymour
9.30am Parish Communion Yatton
9.30am Holy Communion Cleeve
10.00am Family Service Claverham
11.00am Family Service Kenn
6pm Evensong Yatton

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5th Sunday 31st May PENTECOST – WHIT SUNDAY

8.00am Holy Communion Yatton
10.00am Team Service Cleeve – Pentecost
6.00pm Evensong Kingston Seymour

HOLY DAYS IN MAY:

Thursday 14th MATTHIAS the APOSTLE

9.30am Holy Communion Cleeve
7.30pm Holy Communion Yatton

Thursday 21st ASCENSION DAY

6.30 am Holy Communion Kingston Seymour
(followed by breakfast at Cherry Tree House)
9.30 am Holy Communion Cleeve
7.30 pm Choral Evensong for Ascension Day
Yatton

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Daily 8.30 am Morning Prayer at Yatton
(except Holy Days)

Every Wednesday

10:00 Holy Communion Yatton

1st Wednesday in month

11:00 Holy Communion at Kingston Seymour

3rd Wednesday in month

20th May

11am Holy Communion at Kenn

4th Wednesday in month

11:00 Holy Communion at Claverham

Every Thursday

9.30 am Holy Communion at Cleeve
7.30 pm Holy Communion at Yatton

1st & 3rd Wednesdays

2.00 pm First Steps, Yatton