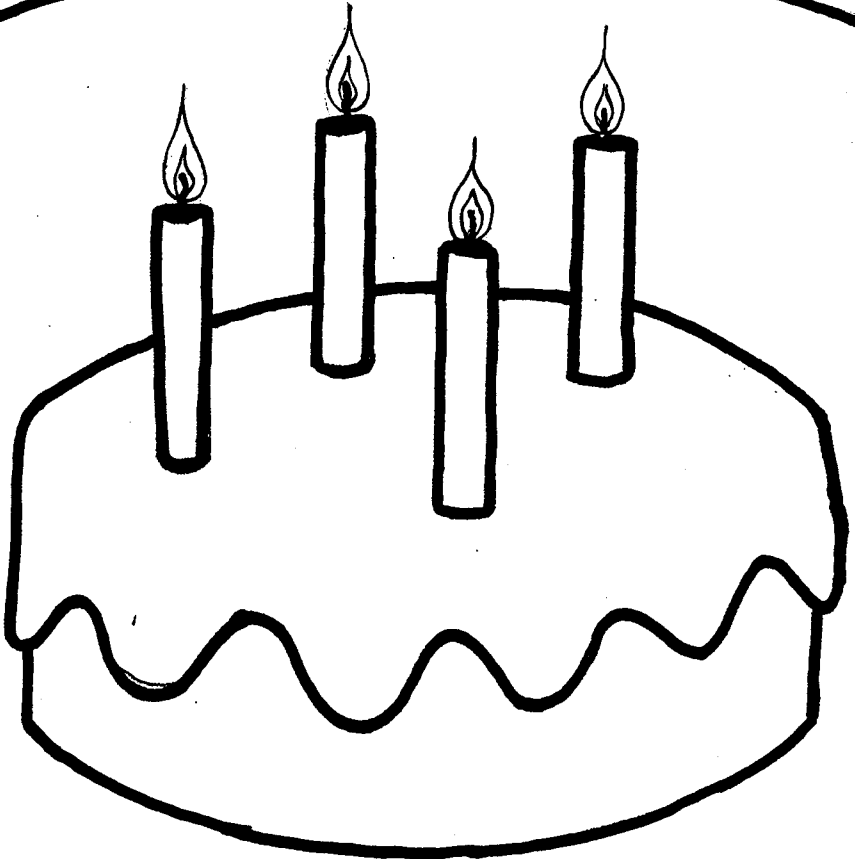


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## MESSAGE FROM THE EDITORS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO US. Your magazine has now been up and running for 4 whole years, so give yourselves a pat on the back for keeping it going. Of course you know what comes next .....that's it - please keep writing or if you've never written to us before, now is the time to start. We look forward to hearing from you.

Kate and Sheila

## DEADLINE FOR NOVEMBER ISSUE

20th OCTOBER

## BIRTHDAYS

- 3rd - Gill TAYLOR
- 4th - Roland HAZELL
- 6th - Daniel QUINN
- 10th - Cheryl QUINN
- 25th - Melanie STEVENS, 21
- 26th - Justin NAISH

Two birthdays were omitted from September's line-up so we send belated birthday wishes to

- 3rd - Rene RUSSELL
- 26th - Joanna STAPLES

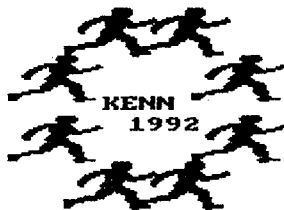
## WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

- 12th - Dave and Sue PUGH.

## NAISH'S NOTES

### FUN RUN

This year's Fun Run took place on Sunday 6th September. The day was warm but very wet! but the rain held off just long enough for the 45 runners the run the 3 miles. The weather did keep away some of our supporters, and meant that we were unable to have the bouncy castles, but the people who turned out



CLEVEDON  
P.P.G.

regardless of the weather enjoyed the afternoon.

The STOWELL CONCRETE TROPHY was won jointly by Jeremy OSBOURNE and Mark PERRY who came in with absolutely nothing between them. The 16 and under SOUTH WEST TYRES TROPHY was won by Tom Hughes. A special mention here to John GEORGE who at 6 years old finished the 3 mile course in 25 mins 22 secs. Well done John. We were treated to a 'special' appearance by 3 reject Chippendales who came in last to great applause in 48 mins 51 having collected at the pub and around the course.

The 1.5 mile jaunt was won by Alec HUGHES in 7 mins 46. Well done Alec.

Thanks to all the helpers on the day. Thanks to all our sponsors who once again generously donated funds to cover our costs: South West Tyres, Peter Neill of Clevedon, Tripp Robbins and Stowell Concrete. Thanks also to everyone who donated raffle prizes and to anyone I've forgotten.

This year's Fun Run was in aid of funds towards a portable resuscitation unit for

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our 'on call' doctors. We have raised £941 so far with more funds to come in.

Any sponsor money should go to Simon PASCOE, myself or Kenn Stores. Thanks to Miles and Jeff NAISH's usual cattle market farmers and dealers who sponsored them to the tune of £320. Well done to Tim Taylor and family who accrued £80 on the day from Kenn Valley Social Club, Drum and Monkey and Blue Flame inns.

Vincent STOWELL who had a whip round at his disco the night before raised £71-26 which saved him from getting an earwiggling from me for not attending the Fun Run - who said the under 30's were past it? Where were the under 30's then?? Several over 40's were running 3 miles. Shame on you all!!

Quote from Mark PERRY joint winner (and under 30!) "Where was Robert BESSANT?"

We have a video of the run if anyone wishes to borrow it - contact Simon or myself.

The finishing positions and times in the 3 mile race were:

1 (Joint) Mark PERRY and G OSBOURNE, 17.07; 3rd M JAMES, 18.26; 4th P OSBOURNE, 19.16; 5th G WARREN, 19.23; 6th N CHEEK, 19.47; 7th D BROOKS, 19.50; 8th M GRAY, 19.58; 9th G NAISH, 20.41; 10th T HUGHES (First under 16), 21.18; 11th S BOSLEY (2nd under 16), 21.50; 12th M NAISH, 21.57; 13th A HAWKE, 22.57; 14th John HAYES (Naish), 22.35; 15th M CHAPMAN, 22.51; 16th Kate GEORGE (3rd under 16), 23.02; 17th D SAMPSON, 23.14; 18th J CULLEY, 23.20; 19th G BARKER, 24.17; 20th B HAZELDENE (4th under 16), 24.22; 21st A TAYLOR, 24.36; 22nd C GEORGE, 25.17; 23rd J GEORGE (AGE 6!!), 25.22; 24th T TAYLOR, 26.23; 25th E HAZELDENE, 26.43; 26th J CULLEY, 26.46; 27th

HAZELDENE, 26.47; 28th C HAZELDENE, 26.46; 29th H GEORGE, 29.10; 30th N HANNY, 30.07; 31st B DIXON, 31.12; 32nd R DODDS, 37.43; 33rd Tasos PAPASOLOMONTOS, 38.00; 34th J WILCOX, 38.00; 35th G BIDWELL, 38.39; 36th Joe, 39.60; 37th J AUTY, 39.16; 38th R JAHMIE, 39.17; 39th M AUTY, 40.51; 40th (joint) M STOWELL and W PAPASOLOMONTOS, 42.47; 42nd (joint) M STAPLES, BRIAN and T MANVILLE, 48.51.

## FLOWER FESTIVAL

Anyone who visited the Church and saw how magnificent it looked over the Harvest Festival must surely agree with me that it is a shame that its very existence is under threat due to lack of funding. One day we will all want to use the Church for something, even if we're not regular attenders: a wedding, christening, sadly even a funeral. Would we like it if it were not there? The Churchwardens are desperate to boost funds. People can donate ANYTHING towards the upkeep of the Church by obtaining envelopes from the Wardens and putting a little in and handing back whenever it suits; by cheque, by covenant or by fund raising. Think about it! Could you help? Every 10p counts, you count! The Churchwardens are: Rene BELL (tel 877949) and Ray NAISH (tel 872493).

## WESTON AND WOODSPRING ENTERPRISE AGENCY

We have been contacted by the above Group and asked to help promote their cause through KENN NEWS AND VIEWS. We have a couple of their leaflets in our possession if anyone is interested in reading more about the matter. An outline of the service is given on the next page.



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Advisors from the Agency will be at Congresbury Memorial Hall on the fourth Monday of every month and at Clevedon and Portishead on the first Wednesday of every month but people need to ring the Agency for an appointment on 0934-418118 beforehand.

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## DOLLS' HOUSES

We have a gentleman who builds dolls' houses. If you are interested ring Heather JENKINS, 877389, for details.

## CLIC SHOP

The Clic shop in Clevedon would be grateful for any goods, especially bric-a-brac. I will be pleased to collect anything to take in. Tel: 0934 838357.

Sheila NAISH

## KENN NOTES

### OVERSEAS VISITORS

August 28th. A large party from the village of Kenn in Germany arrived in Kenn hoping to be able to buy souvenirs from Kenn. The Post Office Stores was invaded in force and many photographs were taken of the shop, our local, our church and Village Green.

August 30th. A Mrs D'ARCY from Australia visited Kenn hoping to discover where some of her late husband's family had lived.

Information she gave in her search was her late husband Norman D'ARCY's grandmother Isabella, better known as Jessica, daughter of Henry John PLUMLEY and his wife Ellen PARSLEY was born and lived in Kenn, suggesting they lived for a period at least in Kenn Cottage. Did this refer to the old thatched cottage, now demolished, at the end of Kenn Road?

The eldest son Arthur Henry died in Clevedon in 1934 and is buried in St. Andrew's, Clevedon. His wife's name was Gladys.

Referring to Kelly's Directory of Somersetshire 1894 under Ken (Kenn) it states John PARSLEY was a market gardener; no address given. Was he the father or relation of the above Ellen PARSLEY?

August 29th. A large posse of police searched land adjacent to the M5 after an elderly motorist had left his wife in his car and caravan which had broken down near the Kenn M5 bridge. Despite an extensive search in fields, ditches and farm buildings the missing man could not be found. However some hours later he was discovered at home in Tweekesbury having forgotten he had left his wife, car and caravan on the motorway!!

## PRIZEWINNER

Congratulations to Mr Roland HAZELL of Manor Farm who entered honey and mead at the Michaelmass Show, Winscombe. His entries were awarded first prize for mead, first prize for pot of clear honey and 2nd and third prizes for honey in a comb.

Well done.

## MR FRANK EAGLES

We are sorry to report the passing of Mr Frank EAGLES on August 28th at the Clevedon Hospital. Mr EAGLES farmed at Wishow near Sutton Coldfield until some 25 years ago he came to live at Mill Farm. He was a friendly man always ready for a chat; despite his advancing age he worked at the garden at Caperns-Spillers factory at Yatton.

The funeral took place at Weston Crematorium on September 7th. Our flag flew at half mast.

## MARRIAGE

Richard KENT son of Mrs Joyce KENT of Rose Cottage married Elaine Coment at Portishead. We wish them every happiness in their life together.

## WANTED

Kenn Women's Institute has been asked to collect children's pyjamas in the age group 3 - 6 years; but up to 12 would be much appreciated. They are needed for

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terminally ill children in ward 45 of the Kenyatta Hospital in Kenya. Can our readers help?

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

October 10th Quiz

October 14th Kenn WI

October 28th Kenn WI 39th Birthday Party.

## PROPERTY FOR SALE

Little Mead is offered for sale at £199,500. Other properties awaiting a buyer are Tudgarth and Unique.

## GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE

It is very sad to learn some of our parishioners are unhappy that a small tablet is not allowed to mark a loved one's resting place, especially when we remember how hard some people worked for Kenn during their lives.

Today we are constantly being ruled by faceless bureaucrats and the wishes of the bereaved are ignored. Let us bring love, compassion and understanding to the fore.

If, as suggested ashes are in future to be interred in the churchyard with small tablets if desired, how are these plots to be reached without walking on unmarked graves? Judging by the age of some of the memorials in and around the churchyard the land must have been buried over many times.

RM DYER

## KENN HISTORY GROUP

After the summer break our History Group meetings resume on Monday 19th October at 7.30pm at The Granary, Duck

Lane. Our meetings are quite informal and most interesting and we invite anyone and everyone to come and join us.

John and Grace GRIFFIN

## WI SKITTLES

Kenn WI had a very enjoyable skittles evening against their guests at Kern Valley Club. Rivalry began early on with 5 spares - one of them our 82 year old veteran Gladys DENMEAD - and respectable scores all round. Harry and Thelma were top scores. After an ample supper a game of "Killer" became fast and furious with two ladies proving very good at demolishing lone pins. Our thanks to Derek and Chris for their good food and hospitality, we had a lovely evening.

Captains Jean and Barbara

## QUIZ NIGHT VI

At the time of writing there are still one or two tables left so ring me NOW if you would like to join us. Fish and chip suppers will be provided during the interval as usual, please bring along your own drinks. Offers of raffle prizes will be gratefully accepted. The proceeds of the evening will be going towards the starving in Somalia.

Kate

## KENN FLOWER FESTIVAL.

### "A VILLAGE HARVEST"

"We like it here, can we come back next year?" So puffed one of the Bristol Morris Men as he climbed into his car, leaving Kenn hotfoot for his next engagement and leaving me speechless. After all the planning, meetings and hard work of the last 6 months, the idea of doing the whole thing all over again really took my breath away.

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In the early Spring the Cleeve, Nailsea and District Flower Arranging Society approached Kenn W.I. and the PCC about holding a flower festival. The small committee met regularly and gradually more and more people were involved (most volunteered). All Summer we watched the weather, surely it couldn't rain much longer. On the 10th September things suddenly began to happen. The Church was beautifully and sympathetically decorated with flowers, fruit and vegetables to illustrate different aspects of "harvest". Stonehouse Farm was also decorated to reflect the harvest theme.

On Friday 11th September the Village Hall was organised to accommodate the flower arrangement competition classes entered by W.I. and N.A.D.F.A.S. members. While the classes were set up the atmosphere in the hall was electric and the Judges' deliberations on Friday evening truly reflected the effort put into the stunning arrangements. Everyone who attended the Preview had a good time, putting us in an optimistic mood for 'going public' on Saturday.

From 10am 'til 6pm the village was full of visitors strolling between the Church, Stonehouse Farm and the Hall. After lunch Clevedon Town Majorettes braved the chilly weather with their display and the Cream Tea Organisation got into gear.

At 7-30pm about 60 people enjoyed a super concert in the Church, listening to violin and organ solos and the Bold as Brass Quintet. I'm sure they'll be back in Kenn before long.

Sunday dawned squally (surprise) but the church was full for the Harvest Family Service. By now the Visitors Book was filling rapidly as people spent an hour or so in the village before Sunday lunch. At 2pm the 'Cream Team' decided to risk the weather and serve teas out of

doors. At 3pm the Morris Men ambled along to the village green and so completed the classic picture of English country life.

At six the Church filled again for Harvest Evensong and the village heaved a sigh of relief before bracing itself for the great clean-up.

Harvest Festival in Kenn is always a joy but this year there was another harvest; a harvest of fun, enjoyment, goodwill and reward for all the hard work. It showed what happens when people pull together for a common cause.

The final bonus was a profit of over £1200 which will be split between the Macmillan Nursing Service and the St. John's Church Building Fund.

So many people worked so hard it's dangerous to single out individuals but special thanks are due to the NAISH's, MACKAY's and GAUNT's who gave the hospitality of their homes for the festival.

Julia BUSH

### THE FUTURE

Has the Flower Festival given you any ideas for Fun Raising and Fund Raising in Kenn in the future? What about a Village Fun Day?

Let the Eds know how you feel.

### FESTIVAL PRAISE

My mother and I visited the Flower Festival on the Sunday afternoon and were suitably awestruck by the skills displayed in the floral arrangements. We enjoyed a delicious cream tea in the olde worlde setting of Church Path Cottage (it was drizzling outside). The afternoon was made complete by the enjoyment of watching the Morris Men when we both agreed, this is the stuff of which English Villages are made. Altogether a delight



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despite the weather. Thank you so much to all who helped to organise such a wonderful and memorable occasion.

Kate DENMEAD and KATE's MUM (Mildred SPAREY)

### HARVEST THANKS

I would like to thank Kenn Church for the lovely basket of 'goodies' sent to me from the Harvest Festival.

Mark AYRES

### KENN W.I.

At the September meeting of Kenn Women's Institute two members were congratulated on successes with their cattle at agricultural shows. Mrs BLAKE won a prize at the Welsh Show and Mrs WITHERS at the Mid Somerset Show. Mrs WITHERS was congratulated also on her Golden Wedding and Mrs AYRES on her Ruby Wedding.

Final plans were made for the Flower Festival due to take place on the forthcoming weekend. The WI Birthday Party is to be held on 28th October. It was noted that the Mobile Library had been under threat and it was agreed to write to the appropriate authorities. There will be a skittles evening for members on 25th September.

Mr HOME, an architect, gave an interesting talk illustrated with slides on Bristol Cathedral and St. Mary Redcliffe. He was thanked by Mrs Rose JEFFERIES. The competition for a picture of either building was won by Mrs CHAMBERS, gold, Miss LIVE-

SEY, silver and Mrs SURRIDGE, green.

At the October meeting Mrs UREN and Mrs WITHYMAN with her dog will talk on hearing dogs for the deaf. The competition will be for a depiction of a dog in any medium.

### BOTHY IN SCOTLAND

In August I returned from 5 weeks walking and travel in Scotland. During that time I visited the Outer Hebrides (first two weeks), then stayed in a bothy (mountain hut) in the most primitive of conditions below the great mountain range of An Telleach, followed that with a quick trip to most of Northern Scotland including the MACKAY family's ancient Kirk, finally capping all that with a short spell on Handa Island as volunteer warden for the bird sanctuary there.

The Outer Hebrides gave me some of the best weather I experienced in my time up there - i.e. one day of sunshine and two weeks of rain. Actually I must admit that the Scottish Tourist Board did not do too badly in fixing the weather and the rain did not fall more than twice a day. I was there with a friend from school, William CAOLA, who was forced to abandon his later plans to go up the West Coast to Cape Wrath because his petrol stove exploded in his tent and it (the tent) broke. We were youth hostelling - and in the Outer Hebrides that does not mean

nice accommodation, but very old crofts that still have the original families of rats and spiders in the thatch. This was probably the most beautiful area I visited.

When we eventually returned to

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the mainland we split up and I went to the bothy. Although there was some very good climbing to be had, the scenery (greeny-grey lake in a greeny-grey valley with dull green mountains and permanent grey clouds), was not the most inspirational and I left sooner that I had expected.

This gave me two weeks to do whatever the heck I liked, so I visited Inverness, Fort William (where I stayed but was unable to climb Ben Nevis as intended because of the weather), and finally Tongue.

Tongue is my ancestral home, and the graveyard there was unique in my experience. Just as Kenn graveyard has certain recognised names in it (DYER, for example), so this consisted almost exclusively of Robert MACKAY, Dougal MACKAY, Angus MACKAY, and spookily enough, James MACKAY. It was a funny feeling to look at that one, I can tell you!

Then across the sea again, this time to Handa. There I spent a week shepherding tourists around and being attacked by 'bonxies' (a.k.a. Great Arctic Skuas), as well as the little jobs like stacking the fire and cutting the peat. It was a nice end (with lots of gales thrown in) to a brilliant holiday, but all the same I'm glad to be home and - literally - dry!

### HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

The next time I make a promise in print (horse muck collection) I shall doubly endeavour to keep it; as I'm sure it was out three-fingered typist's comment on

the weather in last month's editorial that jinxed our holiday. True we only went to Dorset so many would say - "what do you expect if you stay in the UK", but we firmly believe in keeping the British tourist industry alive.

The day we left the sun was 'cracking the flags' as they say where I come from. The next day it rained....And the next. The next day we half expected to meet an ARK in Dorchester High Street. For four more days and four more nights it rained and the wind blew. Paddling on the beach and building sand castles was replaced by paddling anywhere you fancied and re-anchoring the caravan awning.

We came home on the seventh day (Typist's thought: shouldn't you have rested!) when we should have been moving on to Blandford for the Steam Fair I told you about a couple of months ago. But....bearing in mind this is held in freshly cut cornfields we envisaged paying a hefty charge to be towed out. We did think of going as day visitors on the Saturday but Ian McGASKILL, Bill GILES and Michael FISH were already telling us it was a bad idea when a neighbour came

along and said she'd seen the mud on the telly. Well at least we'd saved the cost of 4 pairs of waders.

So instead we decided to stay at home and decorate the lounge. The day began with a visit to Bristol with my car, whose

exhaust was blowing. Two hours later we got back and bought the paint. By 4pm we decorated the lounge, by 5-45pm all was back in place. By 6pm we were in casualty with Timothy who'd been hit on



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the head by a swing. Thankfully he only required a hair suture and he was fine again.

We collapsed exhausted that night to unwind in front of the TV. PING!! The picture disappeared ... for good. Finally, I forgot to tell you that on his way back from delivering the caravan to Dorset (he had to work for two more days) Roger's car decided it had had enough and came to a grinding halt back in Clevedon. The alternator had given up the ghost and cost lots of pennies to put right. And I didn't cry once!!

So Richard, if I'm nice to you in the future and keep my promises will you please refrain from rain-dancing the third week in August. (Richard's reply: What a load of horse muck!!)

Thank you so much.

Kate

## WORDSEARCH

Congratulations to Kate GEORGE who was the first to find all 15 house names and all 15 surnames in last month's Wordsearch. She has been presented with her prize.

As this is "BE NICE TO RICHARD MONTH" (please note, Avril) I won't make him type out the whole thing again but the names you had to find were as follows:

Granary - GRIFFIN

Limes - BRAIN

Elmbank - STAPLES

Latcham House - BULLOCK

Wimberidge - LAMB

Oakland - NAISH

Stonehouse - GALE

Moor Lodge - GOLDSWORTHY

Willows - PASCOE

Carpenter's Farm - JAEHME

Manor Farm - CLARKE

Conifers - DENMEAD

Poppins - PUGH

Mendip View - AYRES

Chalet - GAUNT

Sincere apologies to the PASCOE family for renaming their house - I didn't realise myself until I looked for the answers myself.

Kate

## KEEP SMILING

NOTICE! Due to the recession, the light at the end of the tunnel has been switched off.

## HARVEST OF FLOWERS

What a marvellous weekend Kenn had from September 11 to 13th when the joint Flower Festival and Harvest Festival was held.

People arrived in the village in their hundreds, many had never had a good chance to look around before; residents had a chance to have a chat with people they had not seen for a long time or perhaps never met before. Three elderly ladies met here at Stonehouse Farm, they hadn't seen each other since they were at school together in Yatton perhaps seventy years ago, in spite of living within three miles of each other all their lives.

I consider we are very fortunate that people can still walk safely in the middle of Kenn Street which crowds did all weekend.

The preview on Friday evening was well attended as was the musical evening on Saturday held in the Church.

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The Church services on Sunday were very well attended. The morning Family Service had an attendance of between eighty and ninety people when the very large number of children brought their harvest gifts which were distributed to the sick and elderly around the village later in the week.

On Sunday evening the Church was full for the Harvest Songs of Praise. People were full of praise for the marvellous flower arrangements in the Church and

for the great selection of vegetables and fruit brought to the Church by parishioners.

The evening was rounded off by a harvest ploughman's supper in the Village Hall, finishing off a great weekend.

PS Well done to all the hardworking folk who spent all weekend supplying cream teas!

Ray NAISH

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### SEE MY BABY DRIVE - THE TEN AGES OF MOTORING

**INFANT** - You learn to effect the perfect emergency stop by threatening to be sick.

**CHILDHOOD** - The "Are we nearly there" years.

**TEENAGER** - Endless arguments about borrowing the car.

**FIRST OWNER** - More time spent under than in car.

**BOY RACER** - Ability to age car ten years in only six months.

**YOUNG FAMILY** - The years spent driving a car looking like a jumble sale on wheels.

**GROWING FAMILY** - Driving for miles with nobody speaking.

**MATURE DRIVER** - Using the company car to transport paving stones.

**AGEING BOY RACER** - Ability to age oneself ten years in only six months.

**OLD AGE** - Driving in a hat.

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### SIX LOST CHAIRS

After the Cream Tea Spectacular Maid Marianna has 6 chairs awaiting their owner's return. Would the owner please collect as soon as possible. Tel:873774

Thanks

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(BAD) POET CORNER

## VILLAGE LIFE

Living in a village is a quiet way of life,  
Somewhere you can get away from all the wordly strife,  
Somewhere to retreat to when the days hard work is done,  
And yet still can be a place where you can find some fun.

The village shop is just the place to find a friendly chat,  
With all the time in the world to talk of this and that,  
But stay a while and you will see a twinkle in the eye  
As you go home with something you did not intend to buy!

The village church is just the place to sit and contemplate,  
On all the things within your life, perhaps to alter fate;  
The people there are welcoming and bid you come again,  
It almost makes it worth the while to sin a tiny sin.

Family Service is the one where mum can take the kids,  
While dad stays at home to keep an eye upon the saucepan lids;  
The youngest of the babies come, and if a cry starts ringing,  
Then "raise your voices to the Lord" (we'll drown them with our singing!).

Smaller groups of people meet to organise our leisure,  
The mums, the dads, the children all raise funds in no small measure.  
Coffee mornings, jumble sales, who needs the bright lights city,  
If we want to hold a dance we form a new committee.

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Village Life continued

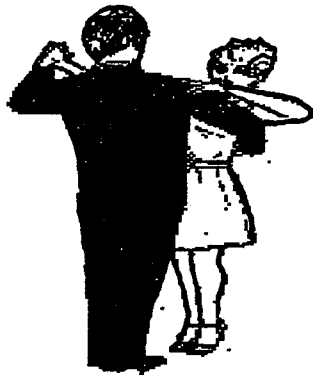
We get a local chap to bring his music centre down,  
We all eat Ploughman's suppers and pass the cider round;  
Who needs to go to Bristol or even Yokohama  
When we can do a barn dance with a strapping great big farmer.

I could write many verses just to paint this village scene  
I'd probably monopolize the Parish magazine!  
I haven't told of animals, the ones that still are 'training'  
And escape into our garden but only when it's raining..

Some people find it boring, saying we're living in the past,  
Say we should try and shed the mould in which we have been cast.  
Say we should be more worldly and fret upon tomorrow,  
But read the papers, watch TV, they only bring more sorrow.

We've all the makings here in Kenn with folk of every sort  
To make this lovely village a welcoming home port;  
So let's pool our resources, get young and old together  
This is our children's heritage, we couldn't have it better.

Kate DENMEAD



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## LATE NEWS

Yet again I have to moan about contributors getting copy to the editors late - in this case AFTER I'd finished the magazine. Please try to stick to the deadline.

## MARKET MOANS

A few months ago a planning application was submitted to Woodspring District Council for an open air market to be held on the car park of Clevedon Town Football Club, which is in Kenn. The permission has not yet been granted or even considered as the applicants have not furnished Woodspring with sufficient details of the number of stalls or when these markets would be held. On Friday September 11th the following advertisement appeared in the Bristol Evening Post.

**ANNOUNCING** the all new Car Boot Sale at Clevedon Town Football Club's £1 million Football Stadium, starting this Sunday, 13th September, and every Sunday thereafter. Set to become the number one Car Boot Sale in the West, the site is fantastic, all tarmac surface, room for 200 cars, easy access, free car parking, situated on the car park of Clevedon Town's brand new, purpose built football stadium, Davis Lane, Clevedon, near Kenn. Just follow the Boot Sale signs. Full facilities including, toilets, snack bar, lunchtime meals with fully licenced bar. Boot Sale open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Cars £5, Vans £7. Telephone 0860 443179 (38p per minute) Don't miss it.

In spite of not having the necessary planning permission the car boot sale went ahead. Since then a similar advert has appeared in the Clevedon Mercury. I know I'm not alone in not relishing the prospect of Kenn being the venue for the 'number one car boot sale in the West'. With open air markets and car boot sales every week Kenn will never be the same again.

If you have any views or feelings about this, please lobby both the Parish Council and Woodspring District Council to try and ensure that this planning application is rejected

Maggie GEORGE

## WAKE UP KENN

I was most concerned when speaking to a member of Kenn Parish Council at the Kenn Flower Festival, that I was the inlt person in Kenn to have complained about the Car Boot Sale at Clevedon Football Ground.

Our village is a quiet peaceful law abiding place and we must be vigilant if newcomers are not to enter our village with the deliberate intention of breaking the law. Clevedon Football Club has no planning permission for these events, and they are therefore illegal.

Unfortunately although many ordinary people attend car boot sales they are also frequently used as fences for stolen property. We do not want to encourage large numbers of opportune thieves to visit our village and decide this would be an area of ample pickings.

Wake up Kennites think ahead before ot's too late and let's protect our delightful village while there is still time.

Heather D BRAIN

Abby Lawin Hotel