



WELCOME

to

Khosi Zwane

who was married to

John Hazell

At

St. Mary's, Church

Yatton

on

Saturday

11th July

The Revd. Avril Gaunt
officiated and the
Wedding Party was held at
their home,
Orchardlea,
Kenn Moor Road,
Kenn.

Birthdays & Anniversaries - August

3rd Clare Edwards
4th Ollie Staples
6th Steve Bye
7th Lorraine Allison
10th Stephen Brain
12th Margaret & John Ball W.A.
15th Jean Naish
 Nathaniel Stowell
 Ruby Hill
16th Max Naish
18th Matt Hibbs
23rd Mark Pascoe
26th Peter Woods
 Sylvia Staples
27th John Staples
 Caroline & John Hayden W.A.
29th Sylvia & John Staples W.A.
 Jane & Hartley Staples W.A.
31st Jill & Matt Butland W.A.

Kenn Altar Guild - August Rota



**Sizzle Summerell, Sam Welch
and Margaret Ball**

Our Flag...

We flew our flag on the following occasions:
26th June in memory of Joan Bye who died
on 21st June, and for her funeral on 10th
July.

3rd of July to mark the National mourning
of the victims of the Tunisian massacre.

11th July to celebrate the wedding of John
Hazell and Khosi Zwane.

July Kenn Family Service

On a miserably unseasonable
Sunday morning, a massive crowd
(5000 at least) met for the July
Family service.

The two readings told stories of tiny
parcels of food feeding large
numbers of people.

Was this magic?

Were we being set the impossible
task to do the same?

Are we expected to do inappropriate
things with bread and fish?

Is Jesus our example or our
inspiration?

Somehow everyone who shared Eli
the puppet's lunch (Thanks John
Griffin) got some bread and one of
Caroline's beautifully crafted fish.

After some 'Grown Up' words from
Warren, and prayers from Diana it
was time for coffee and chat.

But 'Oh Horrors', only four biscuits
could be found. Well, what a
surprise, many of the congregation
generously shared the biscuits
hiding in their pockets, and
everyone had enough.

Fortunately for the Altar Guild,
there weren't 12 baskets of crumbs!

Julia Bush

A Day Trip to Wells.

Warren had suggested this to me informally during a chat. A Kenn and Kingston Seymour day trip to Wells. The proposed date is Saturday 17th October 2015. Here is a provisional itinerary. Share cars or get there under your own steam. Get there for about 2 o'clock. Have a late lunch or afternoon tea in the Cathedral restaurant, it may be too cold for a picnic. Then take a tour around the Cathedral and stay for Evensong. On Saturday at the Cathedral Evensong is at 5.15pm so it would not be a long day.

People who do not come to church are of course welcome. If you just want to come along for the outing and absorb the architecture and aesthetics of the magnificent cathedral that is fine. Let's see how this pans out over the next few months.

Caroline.

Thank You

A great big thank you from the heart!

Thank you to all those Kennites who have been so supportive during my illness and generous with their time in providing all that help to Wendy and myself as well as to our garden! during my recent enforced absence from the village. I am tempted to mention names but then there were so many of you.

As you may know I lived through a very eventful late spring/ early summer in Cyprus. Needless to say we also had a lot of support there from family and friends, as well as from my mainland Greek colleagues who even attempted to fly in a cardio specialist from Athens for the necessities. I am glad I persuaded them otherwise, the Cypriot doctors proved to be more than excellent.

One moral of the story is to make sure you have good medical insurance when travelling outside the UK. This at least takes one thing off your mind when dealing with a major health emergency. Thanks again to all and it won't be long (I hope!) before you see me jogging around the village again....

Sotiris

New Memorial Board

Thanks to a legacy from the family of Renee and Deryck Bell, there is now a beautiful new Memorial Board beside the Garden of Remembrance in St John's churchyard.

It was made by Carole Kent, who will be refurbishing all our notice boards over the coming months.

Julia Bush

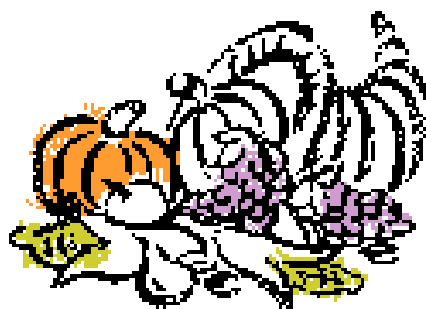
**NB - Annual Churchyard Tidy-Up
Thursday 27th August - Everyone is
welcome to come along and lend a
hand. From 6.00pm** or earlier if you prefer



Friday 7th August — doors open 7.30pm

Friends of Kenn Church
HARVEST SUPPER
SUNDAY
13th SEPTEMBER

Following Evensong
Tickets available in August



**THE VILLAGE
MARKET**

It seemed to go well even though thin on the ground from "staff"

Thanks again to all who came along and supported it. Also thanks to Jean, Ann and Andre for supplying and serving refreshments.

A total of £120.00 was raised for Cancer Research.

We look forward to seeing you all again on September 12th after a break in August

Lyn and Maggie.

QUIET DAY

MONDAY 3rd August
10am - 3.30pm

Cherry Tree House
Kenn Street, Kenn

Led by Jill Flowers,
Yatton Methodist Minister

A Quiet Day will be held at Celia and John's, Cherry Tree House, Kenn Street, on Monday 3 August from 10am to 3.30pm and it will be led by Jill Flowers, Yatton Methodist Minister.

The Day will include: short times of worship; talks; silences.

People are invited to bring along a picnic lunch to enjoy in John and Margaret's garden opposite weather permitting, or else in the house.

Please feel free to join us at any time during the day and for as long, or short, a time as you wish.

Useful Numbers:

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St John the Evangelist Priest in charge:
Rev. Warren Williams 01934 833608

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John Ball 874077 mob. 078 1667 1304

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David Pugh 874278

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NO VILLAGE MARKET IN AUGUST
Next— Saturday 12th September

Recycling - 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th

Dustbin - 11th, 25th August

Green Waste - 4th, 18th August



North Somerset Times & Clevedon Mercury

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Kenn Women's Institute

Kenn Village Hall, 7:30pm
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August 'Outing'

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Wednesday 2nd September 10am - 7:30pm
Morning of sale from 9am

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The Queen's 90th Birthday Celebrations

Following the huge success of the BIG LUNCH in June it has been proposed that we link this event to the celebrations of the Queen's 90th Birthday next year.

On June 12th the Mall in London will be hosting a huge outdoor lunch.

As not many of us will be invited it seems like a good idea to hold our own lunch and build on the enjoyment of this year's event.

So if this seems like a project in which you would like to be involved please get in touch as soon as possible.

Robin 07860235495

Marianna 07860497203

FORUM

CHAPTER HOUSE

**St Mary's Church, Yatton
8.00pm THURSDAY**

17th SEPTEMBER

**Speaker Revd Avril Gaunt
on Hospital Chaplaincy**

KENN COURT - BIG DAY OUT

Saturday August 15th

11.30am till 6pm.

Do you remember the last time you ran a 3 legged race, or played carnival games with your children?

Come over and take part in a day full of interactive entertainment and activities.

We have games and family outdoor competitions, carnival rides, a hot air balloon ride,

Bouncy Castles, face painting, a variety of stalls, art and craft, live bands.

Tons of food and much more.

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KENN W.I.

The July meeting was attended by several new visitors who came because of our speaker's talk, A Wartime Kitchen – Life on the Home Front. Lynda Warren was not old enough to have known the war years but her talk was based on the stories that her father had told her.

Lynda's talk was wide and varied and had the audience fully engaged, especially those who were old enough to remember.

We were told how the refugees came to the UK and how many stayed on after the war, the children who arrived with name tags at railway stations having been evacuated from the cities to the countryside.

Some of the children hated living away from their families whilst others didn't want to go home.

We learnt of the joys of rationing and ration books. Most of us today would struggle on amounts of 2oz cheese & butter and 1 fresh egg a week, plus all the other restrictions including meat and sugar.

There was a quiz on wartime adverts. Many products/stores are still around today i.e. Chappie, Marmite and Halfords. Anybody heard of Siren Soap? none of us had.

2 of our other visitors were 90 and remembered much of what Lynda talked about and said how accurate her talk was. Some had encountered either refugees or evacuees.

There is no meeting in August as we are going on a tour of Yeo Valley Farm with lunch, which we are looking forward to.

Before our next meeting in September we are off to a quiz in Clevedon and a return visit to the Magistrates Court in Worle in readiness for our October group meeting.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 9th September. Details of our speaker will be in the next edition of New & Views.

Marion Hulance

Thank You

I would like to thank everyone who supported, and gave so generously, at my cake sale at the last Village Market.

Mu daughter Emma ran the Race for Life, in memory of her father-in-law, who passed away on the 1st of June. She was raising money for Cancer Research and I was able to donate £125 from the Cake Sale. This included money from the Coffee Morning which Ann and Andree kindly donated.

Jean Fenwick

THE TEAM OF YATTON MOOR

SERVICES FOR AUGUST 2015

1st Sunday 2nd August THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY GREEN

8.30am Holy Communion at Kenn*

9.30am Parish Communion at Yatton

9.30am Holy Communion at Cleeve

11.00am Holy Communion at Claverham

11.00am Family Service with Holy Baptism at Kingston Seymour

6.00pm Said Evensong in the Chapter House at Yatton*

2nd Sunday 9th August THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY GREEN

8.00am Holy Communion at Yatton*

9.30am Parish Communion at Yatton

9.30am Holy Communion at Claverham

11.00am Holy Communion at Cleeve

11.00am Holy Communion at Kenn

6.00pm Evensong at Kingston Seymour*

3rd Sunday 16th August THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY GREEN

8.00am Holy Communion at Claverham*

9.30am Parish Communion at Yatton

9.30am Holy Communion at Cleeve

11.00am Holy Communion at Kingston Seymour

6.00pm Evensong at Kenn*

3rd Wednesday 19th August

11.00am Holy Communion at Kenn

**4th Sunday 23rd August BARTHOLOMEW THE APOSTLE
THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY RED
GREEN**

8.00am Holy Communion at Yatton*

8.30am Holy Communion at Kingston Seymour*

9.30am Parish Communion at Yatton

11.00am Holy Communion at Claverham

11.00am Family Service at Kenn

6.30pm Ecumenical Evening Service at Yatton Methodist Church

5th Sunday 30th August THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY GREEN

10.00am Team Communion at Kenn

* Book of Common Prayer (1662)



Harvest Supper.

This year Harvest Supper is on Sunday 13th September 2015.

As in the last two years we will have a 'Posh Ploughman's' style meal.

Here in Kenn, throughout the year we raise money for various charities and causes close to our families and friends. Kennites are enormously generous with heart and pocket. I propose that this year we do harvest just for ourselves and do not aim to raise funds.

The tickets will be a bargain £5 per head. This will cover costs.

Here in Kenn harvest supper is a church and a seasonal community celebration so everyone is welcome.

As the nights draw in what better way to spend an evening?
Sharing food and gossip with friends and neighbours.

This ploughman's format for harvest is the simplest, minimal labour required, communal meal to prepare.

However there are small jobs to do that make the evening the relaxed affair that it is.

No task should take any longer than 5 to 10 minutes.

I plan to convene a meeting on Tuesday 1st September 2015 at 7.30 here at Chapel Cottage to plan the supper.

Let me know if you can come.

Please bring your own drink and a pudding to share.
Tickets will be available in August.

Caroline.

What's on in Kenn this August

Monday 3rd August — QUIET DAY — Cherry Tree Cottage

Tuesday 11th August at The Drum and Monkey
VILLAGE LUNCH
Meet from 12 noon

Saturday 15th August - KENN COURT BIG DAY OUT- 11.30-6.00pm

Saturday 22nd August at The Church Room, Kenn Street
CHARITY COFFEE MORNING - 10.00am - 12 noon

Thursday 27th August at St John's, Kenn
CHURCHYARD CLEAN UP
Meet from 6.00pm

Monday 31st 8.00pm Drum & Monkey — Book Group

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DIARY NOTES

Tuesday 1st September - Chapel Cottage 7.30 ref Harvest Supper

Monday 7th September—KVH— 7.30pm Kenn Parish Council

Sunday 13th September - Harvest Supper at KVH

17th September — Forum with Avril Gaunt — Chapter House, Yatton

Saturday 10th October — Gospel Choir at St. John's Kenn

Saturday 17th October Kenn & Kingston Seymour visit Wells Cathedral

Sunday 18th October—at St. John's Celebration of 200th Anniversary
Kenn Church's Bell

Village Bunting.

Many, many thanks to everyone who donated old clothes or off cuts from other projects to go towards the village bunting.

Before cutting and sewing commenced we had a vast array of material rich in colour and pattern. Lyn, Jean and myself pooled our knowledge, skills and equipment.



Then started to produce copious amounts of neatly sewn triangles. Lyn sorted, mixed and matched the bunting parts. She expertly crafted colour co-ordinated swags of festive bunting.

On the day of the village 'Big lunch' the bunting looked superb. Enhancing the rustic atmosphere of the event, the hall and the marquee. 'Very Kath Kitson' I heard someone say.

Although the bunting was made for the 'Big Lunch' it now has a life of its own. Since the lunch it has had three outings.

These decorative swags are now a village resource. Lyn has half and Caroline has the other half. Just ask if you want it use it for a party or event.

The task is not yet complete this is an ongoing village project. There is still material to cut and triangles to be sewn. These unfinished tasks were beaten by the deadline.

If you would like to help we would be very grateful.

Team Bunting

Book group

We met in the pub on the 13th July to discuss 'The Bucket Shop' by Keith Waterhouse.

Poor hapless William, the main protagonist, was never going to make good or transform his junk shop into an antiques emporium. We enjoyed Waterhouse's journalistic style.

His wit and humour seemed to intensify the sadness of William and the other characters.

We enjoyed this book and we debated if any of the characters were worthy of our sympathy.

We usually meet on the last Monday of the month.

So the next Book Group is on the 31st August 2015.

Usual time, 8ish.
Usual place, The Drum.

We are going to discuss
'The Tie That Binds' by Kent Haruf.

September issue of Kenn News & Views -

Copy to Margaret as soon as possible please

Email margaret.john@btinternet.com

Or through the letterbox at Chaseside, Kenn Street. Thank you all.

Coffee morning

Several months ago I held a coffee morning in the New Room. There were only a few of us in attendance.

I raised the princely sum of £28 for the Alzheimer's society. I thought I would re-run the event and hold it in the village hall.

On the 27th June 2015 I held a coffee morning in the Village hall to raise funds for the Alzheimer's Society and to mark my retirement.

I had said to my colleagues don't bother with a present have a whip round and the money will go towards the coffee morning fund.

Many, many thanks to everyone who came to the coffee morning. Thanks also to people who made cakes. Special thanks to Rebecca and Julia who did washing up. From before and well after the advertised time a steady flow of people came and enjoyed coffee, cake and good company.

From the original coffee morning, the whip round at work and the event on the 27th together we raised £441 pounds for the Alzheimer's Society. I asked the lovely people at the Weston branch if the money could be used specifically for the people of North Somerset? Their policy is that all donations go into a central pot. On reflection this is probably the greater good. There are areas around the nation that cannot fund raise with ease. We have the good fortune to have a bit of spare cash for good causes.

I know memory loss is a serious issue but we did have a hoot. All being well we will do another one next year.

Caroline, John and Rebecca.

Bird News

At the beginning of the month Chris Blake had a Siskin visiting his feeder and Chris has kindly supplied the picture below.

Siskins nest on the edge of the Mendips and perhaps in some years more local sites. They are more common as winter birds, visiting from northern Britain and Scandinavia. Their numbers vary immensely from winter to winter, dependent on the volume of the pine seed crop in their breeding areas. Early indications suggest that there may be a large influx this coming winter.

Bryan Thompson has spotted a Crane overflying the village and a passing Hobby. May I make my annual plea for any Hobby sightings to be reported to Bryan, John Croxton or myself please.

Incidentally Hobbies have two young in Hyde Park - how surreal is that?

Meanwhile Noah Croxton was delighted to tell his grandfather that a Red Kite had flown over his school in Clevedon. The passage of kites is tailing off now - presumably most have returned to their natal areas.

A Cuckoo was still calling at Mendip Spring Golf Club, Congresbury early in the month, but all adult Cuckoos will be on their way to Africa by the time that you read this.

Two more nests of Barn Owlets (each of three) have been ringed on YACWAG's reserves at Kenn Moor and Congresbury Moor. There still appear to be plenty of voles so there may be one or two late second broods.

Trevor Riddle
01934 835208



Many, many thanks to all who donated to - or came along to The Redhill Billies gig on June 27th at Kenn village hall. The amazing evening was one of the best 'shin digs' I have ever attended and people came from all over the county and Bristol - the evening was warm and the beer flowed!

We raised £400 for my late father's favourite charity 'Smiletrain'.

*Picture of Lise's dad
Leslie Vaughan*

My most grateful thanks goes to John Hayden, Pat Quinton and Debbie Webster who ran the bar and my mum who helped me on the door and also took it upon herself to police the queues for the loos! She really enjoyed the evening.

There will be a further event with this band at the hall on Halloween ... This time it will be to raise funds for Dementia UK.

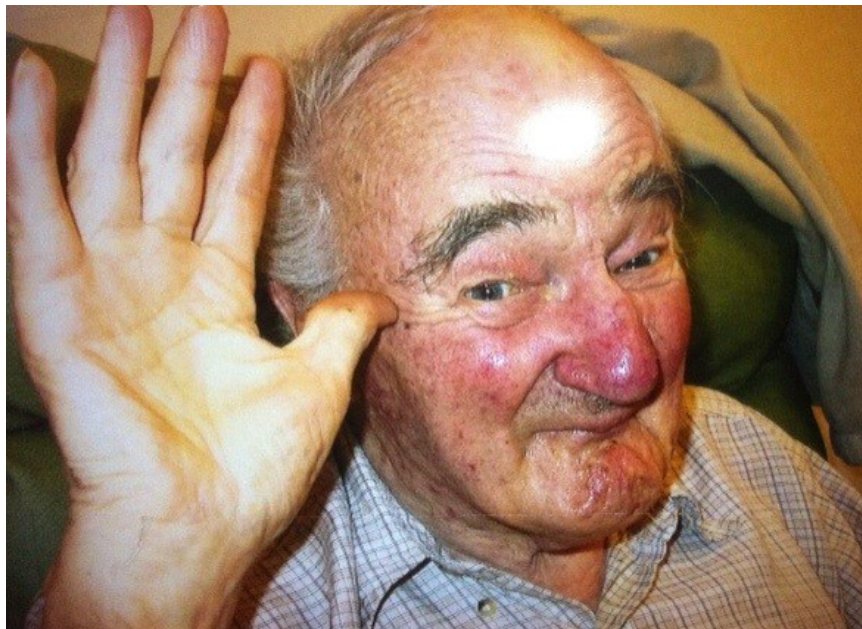
I would like to thank Mike and Kelly, Andrew and Dave and all at the Drum & Monkey Pub for several things;

Firstly excellent music nights (I recently attended the 'Cash' night), also the excellent food... including a recent fabulously mouth watering 'Greek' evening. (Mike didn't let me smash the dinner plates though !)

After a long day at work in Bristol I thoroughly enjoy the wind down and good company to be found at the Drum and drink an awful lot of hot chocolate there! (Fair Trade brand)Occasionally a Baileys and on a very warm day a half of Thatchers with loads of ice. Totally salubrious !

As a footnote I am also grateful to Mike for promoting local ethically produced meat including our rare breed pork, Tom Bye's lamb and Liz Dyer's goat meat.

Lise Willcox



Joan Margaret Bye

9th August 1922 - 21st June, 2015

Joan has passed away at Winash Rest Home at the age of 92. She was the widow of the late Ralph Bye.

Joan grew up in Bristol, was a keen ballet dancer, swimmer and member of Redland Tennis Club. In 1942 with her parents she moved to Rectory Farm in Yatton.



In 1946 she married Ralph Bye and they made their home at Kenn Pier Farm. Joan often talked about her early days at the farm—the primitive facilities; drawing water from the well, scrubbing flagstone floors, lack of heating but, in her words, and always with a laugh and smile ‘well that’s just how it was and we just had to get on with it’.

Joan and Ralph were blessed with four children, Jillian, Tina, Stephen and Jackie.

In addition to being a fulltime mother and farmer’s wife, Joan was involved in village life, being an active member of the local Women’s Institute, Mothers’ Union, Church Flower Arranging and Altar Guild.

In 1986 Joan and Ralph retired to Kings Road in Clevedon where they made many new friends. Sadly Ralph passed away after 61 years of marriage and then her lovely daughter, Jill.

In 2008, as her eyesight was failing, Joan moved into Winash Residential Home, which she treated as her home with new friends and the carers as her extended family.

Joan’s funeral service was held at St. Mary’s Church, Clevedon on Friday 10th July.

Our flag was flown at half mast to mark her passing.

Deepest sympathy goes to the family on the loss of their lovely mum.

The Burlettes 1940s girl group

(Felicity, Michelle & Kate) had a wonderful night performing at the totally apt Kenn Village Hall.

As always and even on the hottest day of the year, the support from the village was overwhelming.

Not only a great audience but as usual, those people who volunteer their services to make a gig at KVH great. John Hayden doing the bar, my parents Tim and Julia for general set up and thwarting of any potential crisis and Sarah Clark who seems to come down and turn the fans on and lights on etc).

Our maiden audience (it was our first gig...) gave us just what we needed, applause in the right places, a few giggles, some lovely feedback and not to mention a tidy sum for the Habitat for a humanity charity.



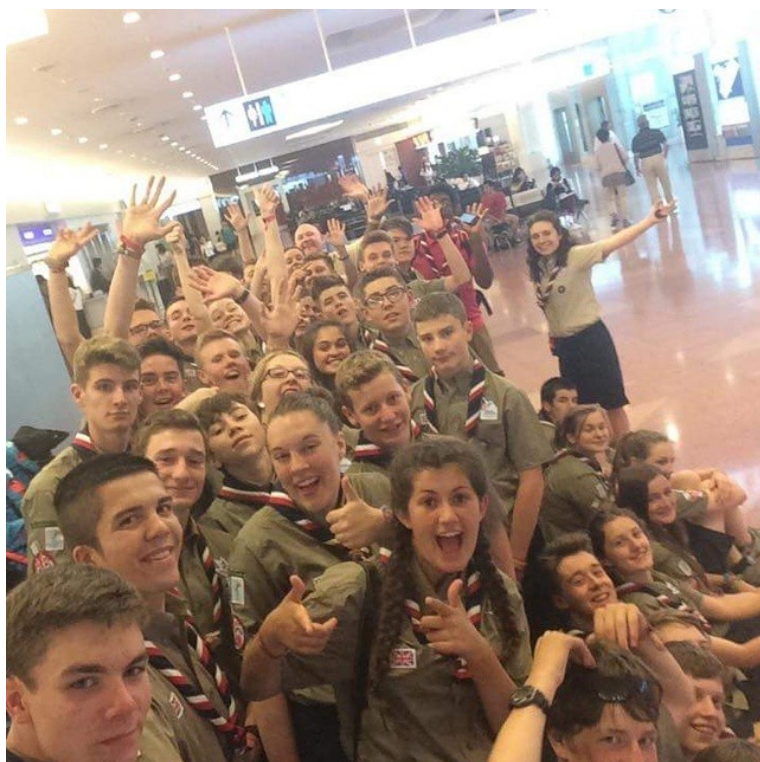
We must also not forget Rick and Allan from BandSupport who volunteered their services and top quality sound and lighting gear to enable us to do our free charity gig. We highly recommend them! www.bandsupport.co.uk

We were glad to be able to send £265 to Habitat for Humanity. This charity was already well established in Nepal at the time of the recent earthquake. To everyone's amazement, after the 'quake, many of the small 'Humanity Houses' were still standing ,amidst the rubble of larger, less well built homes. These houses contain the basic necessities of a home, with the idea that they can be enlarged when the householder is able. A better, safer home means better health, to work, to go to school, to become a contributor to the local community.

Thanks again Kenn

News from Tree Tops

Mike and Iris are delighted with the doings of their grandchildren.....



Edward Callow, with other Scouts at the airport in Japan for a Jamboree



Isobel Finlay with her Best Supporting Actress 'Oscar' at school.



Eleanor Finlay — when she was lead dancer at Bristol Cathedral on Palm Sunday.

She hopes to join UWE in September to study for a BA (Hons.) degree.

Good Afternoon Robin,

Thank you for your contact and I do apologise for the delay in emailing you. I can confirm that your cheque has been received.

We are very grateful for your fundraising support at Kenn's Big Lunch. The gift will be put to use straight away in one of the many countries around the world in which we work. Habitat helps families all over the world and in November 2014, Habitat for Humanity International passed the milestone of one million families helped.

Thanks to people like you who support our vital work we are continuing to deliver a lasting difference across the world.

With best wishes

Chaih Bogle

Supporter Services Assistant

Habitat for Humanity Great Britain

10 The Grove

Slough

Berkshire

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Subject: Thank You from all at St Peter's Hospice

Dear Robin & Marianna,

I am writing to you to thank you for raising such a wonderful amount for the hospice in 2015. Thank you most sincerely for your donation for £523.50 raised from your 'Big Lunch' you held in Kenn on 7th June. Thank you so much for your incredible generosity, your amazing support and all the effort you put into fundraising for us.

We obviously depend hugely on the financial support we receive from donors and so every gift that we receive is so appreciated. Thanks to you we will be able to provide even more care to our patients in 2015 and make their last months, days and hours as comfortable as possible.

Thank you so much for thinking of others and for choosing us as your charity. I simply cannot put a price on your goodwill, without which as a charity we could not function and I want you to know how much this is appreciated by all of us.

Please do let us know if you decide to fundraise for us again in the future.

Best wishes,

Louisa James

Community Fundraiser

Kenn Parish Council

Chairman's Chat

The last parish council meeting was quite well attended, by our standards! Lovely to see folk there.

We were warned about a pre application by St Modwen to put up 200 houses on the site earmarked for industrial development at the base of the motorway bridge. We have no further information at this stage, we shall be kept informed by Jill Iles, as she has information. North Somerset have no further details at the moment

We have an update about Warrens awaiting a decision. When the decision about just exactly what North Somerset will do, we will be given further information. This has been ongoing for as long as I have been on the council; it will be great to have some closure at last. Warrens being as large as Kenn itself now.

We once again had discussions with folk about the speed in the village, we are looking into various suggestions. There is much concern about Kenn Street. We have also been informed of dangerous driving on the moor road too.

Parking once again along the main road pavement has been ongoing, and we have been asked to report directly to the Police, and have it logged.

Broadband is still ongoing, John Ball is writing a report from the Committee headed up by Steve Brain which will be passed onto Liam Fox and any other interested parties, disputing information already received. Information was given out at the meeting about Sky and BT and from Liam Fox.

We have the new sign and noticeboard in place by the phone box, we must thank Avril and her team for that.

We had feedback about the free plants and thanks were given to Cheryl for giving them all out from several villagers.

Thank you to all the folk who have volunteered to water our tubs..much appreciated.

The Hand Stadium is now owned by the Police Authority, for their horses and dogs. Work is already underway.

Finally..Ragwort is popping up along the village, it is poisonous, so please pull out and be careful when disposing of it.

Cheers for now

Sheila

KENN PARISH COUNCIL

2015

**Kenn Parish Council meeting held on the 6 July 2015**

During the first part of the meeting, which is for public to comment, residents asked about: who to notify about public footpath stile repairs, continued concern at the speed of traffic in the village, concerns at footpaths which cross fields with cattle in them. District Councillors gave updates on:

- **Static Caravan Sites** – North Somerset Council is beginning to investigate addressing the many issues arising around the misuse of static caravan parks across the district. Caravans are being sold for permanent housing (without Council Tax liability but benefiting from services provided eg rubbish collections) instead of their original planning designation as holiday homes.
- **Housing Development** – discussions being raised at North Somerset Council by the owners of the land set aside for proposed business use (St Modwens) possibly being changed to use for housing.

Other agenda items discussed by the Parish Council were:

- **Appointing a Planning Committee** – for small scale applications received between meetings.
- **Flower Displays** – thanks to everyone involved in the collecting and displaying of these.
- **Verges & Hedges** – reports received on overgrown areas, reporting dead willows at Kenn Pier, following up with the Environment Agency about their overgrown hedge by the Fisherman's car park
- **Grass Cutting** – reviewing the new contract and a concern about the width of the western verge.
- **Pavement Parking** – the local Neighbourhood Police Officer had carried out checks but observed it was more efficient to call 101 and report the matter to enable it to be dealt with when occurs.
- **Traffic Speeds** – discussion on various options; ie 'mph' repeater signs, Speedwatch, funding these
- **Broadband** – updates from local MP and BT. Possible letter responding to these two. Also North Somerset Life magazine article. Local Council Parish Forum including this at their September event.
- **Planning** – Application to change an agricultural building into a dwelling at Moorside Farm. NS Council reports on enforcement issues and the outcome of recent planning application decisions.
- **Various items including** – Thank you email for donating prizes for Kenn's The Big Lunch event. Healthwatch Annual Report, results of a consultation on Procurement of Community Health Services in North Somerset, Hinkley Point update, Metro west consultation on the Portishead Branch Line.
- **Documents review** – legal documents and policies as are required to be held by all Parish Councils

Village Agent Emma Edwards will be attending the 7 September Parish Council meeting to give details and answer questions about her responsibilities. She works for West of England's Rural Network (WERN) Community Connect, and her role is to support and signpost services for people in rural communities by bridging the gap between individuals and organisations that are able to offer help. More information at: www.wern.org.uk



Being aware of Sweet Chestnut Blight this is a notifiable plant disease caused by the ascomycete fungus. The Forestry Commission has served notice on the owners of the affected trees to uproot all plants and burn them on the affected sites.

For more information and a factsheet showing various symptoms go to: www.forestry.gov.uk/forestry/infod-8s5abf



MEETINGS FOR 2015

The Village Hall, Kenn St, Kenn

7 September – Council at 7.30pm
2 November – Council at 7.30pm

Agendas will be on notice boards
3 clear days before the meeting.

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