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Signs of Spring ?



NEWS & VIEWS

Birthdays and Anniversaries in February

1st Tim Taylor
2nd Katy Hill
4th Beth Stowell
9th Sizzle Summerell
10th Win Cole (101)
11th Alexis Papasolomontos
14th Richard Dyer
15th John Andrews
16th Marianna Mackay
17th Jeff Naish
 Julian Gale
18th John Panteli
21st William Cheek
22nd Polly Summerell
 Lizzy Dyer
23rd Lorraine & Jonathan Allison W.A.
25th James Griffin
 Rebecca Stowell
26th Amelia Ann Bone

St John The Evangelist, Kenn Altar Guild for February



**Jan Bedford, Sara Thole
and Maggie Hobbs**

Church Floodlighting

St. John's was floodlit for our service of Evensong on Sunday 20th January.



Candlemas Service Sunday 27th January

Candlemas falls on the 2nd February Saturday, but we celebrated this feast at our family service which was led by Revd Avril Gaunt.

Lovely hymns, including Shine Jesus Shine, a special liturgy for the day and, so many candles.

Our altar, was decorated for the festival with the Advent candles lit, our ring of candles from the Greek Orthodox tradition and each of the congregation had presented their own candle to add to the illumination.

Thank you Avril, for a lovely service and for the fresh Snowdrops, a sign of spring, the centrepiece on the Altar.



THE YATTON MOOR TEAM MINISTRY

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Lent Lunches.

Starting on Ash Wednesday

6 March

At Cherry Tree House, Kenn Street.

Noon - 2pm.

Then Each Wednesday in Lent.

Soup, Cake, Tea & Coffee.

Donations: Christian Aid.



Everyone welcome

January Coffee Morning

John and Grace were delighted to welcome everyone on Saturday 26th January to the Church Room for a most enjoyable Coffee Morning.

Thanks to everyone who gave towards the cost of our Church Christmas Tree with funds left over for Church Room supplies

The British Equestrian Federation (BEF) has selected 25 athletes for the UK Sport National Lottery funded World Class Programme Podium Potential squad for 2019-2021.

Among them is our own Anna Power (nee Edwards) from Duck Lane in the show-jumping category.

We wish her every success Margaret

Coffee Morning in The New Room on Saturday 23rd February

10.00am—12 noon

**This coffee morning will raise funds for
Cystic Fibrosis**

Everyone Welcome

BIRD NEWS

There have been a few reports of Goosanders locally, firstly from Jackie Huxtable who saw four on the Yearling ditch. I spotted a couple from Manmoor bridge but there were seven from Kenn Road bridge plus a dog Otter (thanks to Avon Birds Blog for this).

Following my comments last month about the wet conditions favouring roosting Snipe it has hardly rained since and the Yacwag field counts were down to fourteen at Congresbury Moor and just three at Kenn Moor.

Two Brent Geese were near the Kenn estuary mid month with 700 Dunlin in the same general area. The regular counter recorded 1,900 Dunlin on the 24th, perhaps resulting from cold weather to the north and east of us. We might still see some Waxwings.

Two Blackcaps appeared in our garden mid month along with more regular visits from a pair of Bullfinches.

A few Goldfinches also arrived, a species that hadn't visited us for some months all perhaps linked to a reduction in food availability and frosty weather.

The Yacwag Christmas bird survey showed another increase in Goldfinch numbers with some gardens reporting lots and others none at all. House Sparrows recorded in the survey increased by a whopping 30% over last year, probably partly due to a productive breeding season but hopefully also partly caused by a resurgence in House Sparrow fortunes locally.

On the 20th a pair of Geese flew over Wemberham Lane that I couldn't identify; it was a Grey morning and they didn't come very close. They weren't, Canada, Greylag or Brent so the most likely candidate is White Fronted.

When I mentioned this to Hartley Staples he said that he had seen a skein of grey geese fly over Kenn a few days before my sighting so perhaps bad weather in the north is pushing some of these birds further south. There has been a party of five Whitefronts at Northwick Wharf near Severn Beach for a few weeks now and these birds were seen briefly at Dowlais Farm.

Trevor Riddle (01934 835208)

Book Group.



We met on January 24th 2019 to discuss 'Big Little Lies' by Liane Moriarty. This is an epic drama set in suburban Australia. We all enjoyed this novel especially the reverse timeline leading up to the pivotal moment.

We enjoyed the fluid style that revealed profound patterns of bullying.

February 2019.	Share and swop what we are currently reading.
March 2019.	'The Collector' by John Fowles.
April 2019.	Share and swop what we are currently reading.
May 2019.	'Brooklyn' by Colm Toibin.

Book group.

Supper Club.



The Supper Club has now become nomadic.

The opening hours of The Drum have become erratic. So after several months back at the pub we have returned to The Moor End Spout in Nailsea.

A table set for 14 was waiting for us. Our orders were taken and our various dishes promptly served. Good quality, delicious pub food. As usual the company was superb as we shared our news.

What could be better than being with fellow villagers for the evening.

Next Supper Club is on Wednesday 20th February 2019.
7 for 7.30pm

More than likely at The Moor End Spout.

John Griffin will let us know.



KENN W.I.

December

Members of the W.I. were in party mode at their meeting in December. At the start of the evening we all sat down to a delicious supper of salmon, baby potatoes and salad cooked by Edna Baber and her helpers. This was followed by some scrumptious puddings and some of Margaret Burdge's celebrated mince pies. While all this was being cleared up members tackled a picture quiz. Christmas cards were distributed from the Post box and everyone took a present from Santa's sack.

There followed a very short business meeting. Members were reminded that we will all meet for lunch at Carriages on 31st January. There is always a lot of eating at the W.I.

In order for the new programme to be prepared for the January meeting, people were invited to choose a Charity to support in 2019. Three charities were nominated, Freewheelers, the local Air Ambulance and the Clevedon Food Bank. After a ballot it was announced that we would be supporting the Freewheelers. These are a splendid group of motorcyclists who give their time to delivering vital NHS supplies such as blood, breast milk, and medicines after the regular NHS deliveries have stopped at 5.00pm.

At the January meeting we shall be discussing the proposed resolutions for the National AGM in Bournemouth later in the year. Every Institute chooses the resolution it favours and a final winner emerges. This year there are six to choose from and the discussion on each will be led by a committee member.

If you would like to come along and see what the W.I. is interesting itself in this year, please join us on the 2nd Wednesday in January in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Ann Holtham.

January

At the January meeting of the Kenn W.I. members were all delighted to welcome two new members, Sue Freeman and Linda Bird. If you would like to join them, we meet on the second Wednesday of the month in the Village Hall at 7.30pm. We welcome visitors.

We were thrilled to hear that past President Megan Harris, has just celebrated her 100th birthday and saddened to hear of the death of another past President, Tricia Harrison.

The meeting was devoted to discussing the six proposed Resolutions for the AGM in Bournemouth later in the year. One of them will be chosen and debated at that meeting. We had to decide which one we would like to go forward. Each one was introduced and a discussion took place and then a vote taken at the end. The resolutions were very varied and were: Plant biodiversity in the U.K. and the problem of imported diseases; Improving natural landscapes with tree planting; Pelvic floor education; Menstrual health for young girls; Local bus services and lastly Don't fear the smear. The winner by a large majority was the improvement and maintenance of local bus services. We shall see what all the other Institutes decide.

£700 was donated during 2019 to our chosen charity the Weston Hospital Scanner Appeal. We thank everyone for their generosity at the Coffee Mornings that were held at the Village Market and in the New Room We hope to raise a similar amount for the Freewheelers in 2019.

Ann Holtham

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Will be held in Kenn Village Hall on Saturday,
9th February - 10:00am till midday.

**North Somerset
Times**

Don't forget that
copies of this local
newspaper are
available in the
Church Porch
from Wednesday
afternoons



FEBRUARY WASTE COLLECTION - MONDAYS

Recycling and food waste - 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th February
Dustbin 11th and 25th February
Garden Waste 25th February



Tel: 01934 830111

Clevedon Salerooms

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Thursday 14th February 10.00am
Viewing at Saleroom
Wednesday 13th February 10am - 7:30pm
Morning of sale from 9am

Quarterly Specialist Sale
Thursday 7th March 10.30am

Viewing at Saleroom
Tuesday 5th March 2pm - 5:30pm
Wednesday 6th March 10am - 7:30pm
Morning of sale from 9am

Catalogues can be viewed at
www.clevedon-salerooms.com

What's on in Kenn — February

**Monday 4th February Monthly Lunch
at St. John's Church 12.00—2.00pm**

**Friday 8th - Drum and Monkey
5.00pm - 8.00pm Truespeed are hosting an Information Event
Everyone welcome to come along to learn more.**

**Saturday 9th — Kenn Village Hall - 10-12noon
Village Market and Coffee Morning**

**Wednesday 13th — Kenn Village Hall
Kenn Women's Institute - 7.30pm**

Thursday 14th - Meeting Place at Kenn Church Room - 11.00am

**Wednesday 20th - Kenn Supper Club 7.00 for 7.30pm
Venue to be decided - contact 01275 872948**

**Saturday 23rd — Kenn Church Room - 10-12 noon
Coffee Morning - Proceeds to Cystic Fibrosis Charity**

Kenn Village Hall

Our urn has been relegated - it still works, but the Hall Committee felt it was outdated.

So, we now have a modern fully plumbed in Electric Water Heater for making hot drinks.

When there is activity in the Hall it automatically switches on to provide boiling water on tap within around 15 minutes.

There are ample warning signs, and instructions,
But please treat it with care.

Thanks to Nigel for instigating this purchase, and for all the work carried out by him and other members of the Hall Committee.



Recycling Candles

In December News and Views, Marianna wrote - I have recently discovered a source which recycles candle ends, we have quite a few from the church and would welcome any contributions left over from the seasonal parties.

The response was wonderful and on Thursday 24th January Robin and Marianna took a large quantity of candles to Ottery St Mary.

They will all be recycled and new candles can be purchased via the company's website www.therecycledcandlecompany.co.uk.

Please continue to save your candle ends for recycling. as the Mackays are happy to make regular deliveries.

Meeting Place.

We meet on the second Thursday of the month in 'The New Room' at the top of Kenn Street, starting at 11.00am to 12.30pm.



If you are at home with small children you are very welcome to join us for coffee and a chat.

This group is a social group hosted by St John's.
There is no expectation for church attendance.

Last month for no other reason than to keep everyone's lives simple Meeting Place was held over. As planned for January this month the children are going to make collages with old Christmas cards.

The next group will be on Thursday 14th February 2019 at 11.00am.
Julia 873554. Caroline 343133.

**If you walk along the unlit roads of Kenn
Please carry a torch and wear something reflective.**

**CAR DRIVERS cannot always see walkers,
especially those in dark clothing, until they are almost alongside their car.**

YATTON MOOR TEAM MINISTRY

SERVICES FOR FEBRUARY 2019

1st Sunday 3rd February THE FIFTH SUNDAY BEFORE LENT GREEN

8:00am Holy Communion at Kenn
 9:30am Parish Communion at Yatton
 9:30am Holy Communion at Cleeve
 11:00am Informal Communion at Claverham
 11:00am Family Service at Kingston Seymour
 6:00pm Evensong*/Evening Service at Yatton

2nd Sunday 10th February THE FOURTH SUNDAY BEFORE LENT GREEN

8:00am Holy Communion at Yatton*
 9:30am Parish Communion at Yatton
 9:30am Shared Parish Communion at Claverham
11:00am Holy Communion at Kenn
 5.00-5:45pm Afternoon Tea at Kingston Seymour
 6:00pm Plough Service at Kingston Seymour*

3rd Sunday 17th February THE THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE LENT GREEN

9:30am Parish Communion at Yatton
 9.30am Shared Parish Communion at Cleeve
 11:00am Holy Communion at Kingston Seymour
6:00pm Evensong at Kenn

4th Sunday 24th February THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT GREEN

8:00am Holy Communion at Yatton*
 8:00am Holy Communion at Kingston Seymour*
 9:30am Parish Communion at Yatton
 10:00am Café Celebration at Court de Wyck School
11:00am All Age Plough Service at Kenn

Yatton Methodist Church

LATE NIGHT WORSHIP - Sunday 3rd February
 doors open 7.30pm for coffee and biscuits before 8.00pm start
 Everyone welcome

Contact - Keith Woodham 07791 725228

RON GRIGG

Older members (and by that I mean long standing) of the Kenn community will remember the Grigg family who lived in Chapel Cottage, Kenn Street from early in the 2nd World War until Mrs Grigg died in 1996.

Her son, Ron, died in November aged 88. he was predeceased a few weeks earlier by his older sister Gwen. Another sister, Grace lives in Hull and **although now frail travelled down to be at Ron's funeral. Eddie, his brother and the youngest, now lives in Cheltenham.** At one time Mr Grigg's mother and sister lived in part of Kenn Court.

Ron spent part of his early life in the Royal Marines and travelled the world. When he married he came back to these parts and had lived in Nailsea for many years. He was a very kind and caring man and it will be remembered that he visited his Mother every day and made sure that she was O.K. and saw to her garden for many years. He also cared for his wife Anne when she became ill. He was widowed in 2013. Ron leaves a son and a daughter, grandchildren and a great grandchild who will sorely miss him.

I count myself very fortunate to have Ron's daughter Julie as my next door neighbour and it was always nice to see him when he came to visit.

Ann Holtham.



Kenn Village Market and Coffee Morning

The next market will be on

Saturday 9th February 10-12pm.

You are sure to find something to your liking, and all served with a friendly smile!

We hope to see you there.

contact either Lyn (870189) or Maggie (876277)

Broadband Update -

Drum and Monkey - Friday 8th February 5.00pm-8.00pm - learn more about Truespeed's plans for Kenn



There was a fantastic response to the invitation to attend the Truespeed presentation at the village hall recently. Thank you to everyone who came along. As a result we have more people signed up for fast broadband with Truespeed and we are inching towards the magic figure of 30% of properties expressing firm interest in this way. HOWEVER we need 10 more!!

If you haven't signed up please do seriously consider this. If you want to know more first, then do contact us. If you have signed up then how about suggesting to your neighbours they look into it, as it will benefit the whole village.

We still have no timescales from Gigaclear regarding their contract. They have installed some ducting in the area but that is all, so for the bulk of the village Truespeed is our only hope for better internet access in the next couple of years.

Stephen Brain, John Ball and Chris Blake

What TrueSpeed say about themselves.....

In 2014 after experiencing the impact poor internet connectivity was having on everyday life, CEO Evan Wienburg decided to take action and co-founded TrueSpeed, a full fibre infrastructure provider delivering futureproof broadband to homes and businesses throughout the South West.

After a successful proof of concept, Aviva took notice and granted TrueSpeed a £75 million investment to roll out the brand new, independently owned infrastructure to more communities than ever before.

TrueSpeed's ultrafast network delivers gigabit-capable fibre broadband directly into properties, providing faster, reliable speeds and a future-proof sustain connection. Every connection delivers guaranteed minimum 200Mbps speeds, giving customers the freedom and flexibility to use the internet how they need in their home and working lives. With TrueSpeed's full fibre broadband, you no longer need to worry about buffering or dropping out at peak times, using the internet is easy and stress free.

As a local company based in Keynsham, we proudly keep our community focused ethos at the forefront of everything we do and are passionate about providing communities with a broadband solution that will benefit them for generations to come. Investing in communities, like Kenn, is a huge part of our mantra, therefore we proudly provide the local school and community hub in every area we connect to free broadband for life.

We're a demand led service and are passionate about bringing our network to those who need it most. To discuss how TrueSpeed can benefit you and your community, call our friendly team on 01225 300 370 or visit www.truespeed.com for more information.

Neighbourhood Watch

Received 14th January

This message has been sent as a warning to residents:

A telephone scam is circulating across the county where residents have received telephone calls from people claiming to be from Westminster Police.



The caller states that they are investigating a crime or have a suspect in custody who has their bank details. The caller then asks them to reveal their card details for checking. A second call is often made a short while later claiming to be from their bank. Again this appears to be part of the scam. Please remember never to give bank details to anyone you do not know or trust and do not continue conversations with persons you do not know or trust.

If you experience a similar call, please report it direct to the national fraud and cybercrime centre, Action Fraud on 0300-1232040 or via their website at <http://www.actionfraud.police.uk>

Received 17th January **Recruiting volunteers to work with the Avon Fire & Rescue Service and the Avon Community Resilience Team!** For details of the events and how to book tickets.

<https://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/media/31855397/crt-a4-recruitmentposter-2019.pdf>

LUNCH AT ST JOHN'S KENN ON MONDAY 4th February



Always on the first Monday of the month,
12.00 noon to 2.30pm.

The fayre will differ this month. Still simple and on a shoe string. I want to be 'on the road' to Surrey in the early afternoon on the 4th. Offers of help to clear up will be gratefully accepted.

The atmosphere is relaxed and friendly. Everyone is welcome. Those of faith, none at all and all the shades in between.

'The Village Agent', Sarah Friend, usually joins us. She is available to give advice on local services and how to access them.

We are raising funds for St John's and Friends of the Cottage Hospital.

Caroline.

KENN PARISH COUNCIL

CHAIRMANS CHAT

The Truespeed meeting at the hall has produced a number of villagers that have signed up to the proposed scheme. Further information can be obtained from Stephen Brain or a member of the Broadband committee, Chris Blake or John Ball.

Truespeed have also offered Walton in Gordano the same deal following a presentation to their Parish Council, offering the service within 12-18 months.

Gigaclear who spoke to us first. Are also confident that they can bring super fast broadband to the area by 2020 too. They had hit problems and the timescale was put back initially.

They are the telecommunications provider that are going to be responsible for the works on Nailsea Moor and the road closures.

Super fast Broadband seems to be nothing like its name suggests!!!
But we shall carry on trying to get the best for the village.

The road closure signs went up but no work was started, this led to Avril's Fencing and the gym losing business. Avril rang the council and myself to protest and the signs were removed because they were not going to be starting work until the very end of the month and it made more sense. They do put a long period of time to cover themselves when roadworks are being done, but common sense did prevail.

At the last meeting it was agreed that the Parish Council would fund certain hedge cutting works and general verge maintenance as there was no funds available from North Somerset. The condition of our hedges and verges has given concern for a while now so we will undertake the work out of our precept.

The usual speeding, enforcement issues and planning matters were discussed.

North Somerset are unable to provide works or even answers to many of our matters raised, it is frustrating for all concerned but we plough on.

Mrs Iles gives us as much information and help as possible however, she says there are many demands on the budget, and they are losing staff and job roles too.

Sheila

***Drum and Monkey - Friday 8th February
Drop In between 5.00pm-8.00pm -
To learn more about Truespeed's plans for Kenn***

KENN PARISH COUNCIL

2019

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 7 JANUARY 2019

Public comments prior to the meeting:

- Request for temporary road signs to remind drivers diverted along Kenn Street of the 30mph
- Discussion on the Health Centre proposals for Yatton and some of the highways issues to be taken into consideration.

Items on the agenda discussed or considered:

- Broadband – review of the situation on TrueSpeed signups and their forthcoming village event
- Verges & Hedges – agreed to spend the £500 of earmarked reserves – set aside for keeping these tidy where traffic visibility is affected. To get as much work carried out as possible for the money, within the parish boundary, before the restrict on such work because of nesting birds.
- Barns Ground Pond – no update received from the Drainage Board on clearing the weeds.
- Review of the calendar of meetings because of information provided – 13 May to be changed to 9 May and another meeting to be held on the 20 May.
- Four Planning Applications were considered, the comments were ‘no objections’ on all of them.
- Another Planning Appeal had been submitted for the former Mill Farm farmhouse site on Kenn Road. It was agreed to reiterate all the Parish Council’s comments made on this site to the Planning Inspector.
- Bristol Airport’s Planning Application – agreed to make the comments that the impact of increased traffic is a concern on roads that are not adequate for the purpose. Night flights were also a concern.
- North Somerset Council’s decisions on recent Planning Applications and their list of current Enforcement Actions were received.
- The West of England Joint Planning: Technical Evidence Consultation were asking if the information they send out still wished to be received by the those that had made comments in the past. They were checking their data base to ensure it hadn’t gone out of date.
- Details of an Environment Agency Flood Action Campaign aimed at giving information to young people to assist them if they were caught in a flood.
- Details of the accounts and anticipated expenses for the forthcoming Financial Year 2019/20 were considered. Agreed to only raise the Precept by a limited amount to cover these; £6,300 which is £31.23 for the year on a Band D property.
- Hearing date for the modification of Lillypool Drove was to be held on the 15 January 19 in WSM.

2019 MEETINGS

At 7.30 in the Village Hall

- 4 March – Annual Parish Meeting
- 4 March – Council (after the above)
- 9 May – Statutory Annual Meeting
- 20 May – Council Meeting
- 1 July – Council
- 2 September – Council
- 4 November – Council

Agendas will be on noticeboards three days before the meeting.

2 May – Local Council Elections

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| Monthly Drop-in – At Yatton Library from 10am to 12noon on the fourth Saturday of each month. | |