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**HOORAY OUR VILLAGE HALL IS A 100 YEARS OLD
On Saturday August 7th**

we are holding a celebration for everyone!
More details inside, plus even more in the August Issue of
Kenn News and Views

NEWS & VIEWS

Birthdays and Anniversaries

July

- 5 - Avril Gaunt
- 10 - Caroline Holden
Molly Cheek
- 12 - Gus Van Riessen
- 15 - Ashley Julian Diffey
- 17 - July Celia Andrews
- 21 - Toby Naish
- 24 - Brian Walters
Eloise Gale
- 25 - Sue Pugh
- 27 - Jessica Clanchard (Brett)
- 28 - Juliet Stowell
Jack Stowell
Millie & Mike Stowell WA
Charlie Mackay
- 29 - Emma & Peter Brooks WA
Liz & Vince Stowell WA

Cakes

On July the 9th, I will be baking all the usual cakes, Sponges (Chocolate, Coffee and Jam), Lemon Drizzles, Fruit, Spicy Apple, Marmalade, Carrot and maybe I might bring out the Cappuccino Cake recipe.



Also any requests if they are within my ability.

Delivery July the 10th.-Contact me by any means you like.
Profits to the Blay Family in Ghana

-Thank you,

Julia Bush 01275 873554

Our bright new Union Flag was flown in Celebration of **H.M. Queen Elizabeth's Official Birthday** on the 12th June

Heaven Preserve Us.

St John the Evangelist, Kenn



St. John's Altar Guild

July Rota

Jilly Butland with Robin and Marianna Mackay

I have a good selection of Jams, Chutneys and Marmalades available and will deliver (amount and distance within reason).



Also available from Kenn Church when it is open, for Services and on Wednesday and Sunday afternoons.

Please bring some change with you.

Thanks , Julia Bush

Dear all,
July – a month of hopes!



I am hoping that July will see a major lifting of restrictions so that we can begin to meet together again as a community rather than in select groups.

I am hoping that for those who are being married in church on July 24th and September 11th that they can invite all their friends and family.

I am hoping to meet with all the regular worshippers at St John's in a series of informal coffee and tea meetings planned during this month to listen to what their vision is for the future and how we might move forward into new times.

I'm hoping that the local PCC subcommittee meeting at the beginning of the month will fill us with enthusiasm and combined energy to complete the project to improve the church audio visual system and to discuss what further we need to do to be a welcoming and versatile space.

I am hoping that the two sessions of safeguarding training I have to do won't be boring!

I'm hoping that the first face to face get together with the rest of the staff team for an Away Morning will be so good.

I'm looking forward to some time away in Cornwall and hope I can get back in time for a party on the 31st! I'm hoping there will be more parties!!!

In Romans 15:13 Paul writes 'May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.'

Finally, I have loved my garden in June and I hope to enjoy it even more in July and the coming months.

I'm hoping for broad beans, peas, runner beans, raspberries, courgettes and how am I going to use all the herbs?

I hope that July may abound in hope for you.

Fran

A 'Wave of Hope'.

75 charities in Britain (including Save the Children, Christian Aid, Tearfund and the Fairtrade Foundation) have created the Wave of Hope campaign.

It calls on countries attending the G7 summit in Cornwall, 11th - 14th June and later in the year the UN Climate Change Conference (COP26) to devote more funds to the Climate Change Emergency and Social Justice issues.



Sue Thomas (All Saints Kingston Seymour Church Warden) and I had been contacted by many of these organisations.

As well as asking the congregations of All Saints and St John's Kenn to create a colourful display of 'Waving Hands' to be uploaded onto the campaign website, we took advantage of the thousands of people (including some going to the G7?) crawling down the M5 that weekend.

Thanks to Richard and Anita Simmons, our banner was displayed in their fields next to the motorway. Something for the stationary passengers to ponder and investigate on their phones.

Julia and Sue



The wave banner and hands now adorn St John's at Kenn

PS Anyone with other ideas for (safe) Wave of Hope publicity please contact us on 01275 873554

Saturday 7th August Kenn Village Hall 100 year celebration

Dear Friends,

We hope **so** much that our village party, planned for 7th August, will be a particularly special celebration, with us coming together again after such a long and difficult time.



We are aware that quite a large number of you, who have moved to Kenn more recently, have not yet been able to be part of a village “do”.

It would be **great** if as many of you as possible feel able to come – you are all **so** welcome!

The “do” will be very “family friendly” so we are collecting together some toys and activities that children can enjoy while they are at the party.

It would be lovely to have some different things that may have been particular “crazes” over the last 100 years, e.g. yoyos, hula-hoops, space hoppers, skipping ropes and the like.

If you have anything suitable that you would be prepared to lend and share on the day we would be **very** grateful!

If so, could you please let us know by ringing

- Jan Bedford on 343960, or Sizzle Summerell on 07974 731839.

Hopefully, we will all be slightly more relaxed by then about children sharing and handling toys, but hand-gel and wet-wipes will be on hand!

Sizzle, Jan and the Village Hall Committee.

Bird News

At the end of April I was fairly sure that the Hen Harrier seen on Kenn and Nailsea Moors would be the stand out sighting for 2021. But a Short Eared Owl on Lilypool Drove, Kenn Moor on the 10th June certainly equalled it and on a bird survey walk too. It would have been a notable sighting in winter, in the middle of June it was unprecedented. I have never seen a Short Eared Owl locally in summer before. The British Trust for Ornithology have been satellite tagging 'Shorties' in Scotland and are discovering that some make epic journeys in the middle of their breeding season. The most recent is a bird from Scotland that flew to Northern Russia. The scientist in charge of the project described them as 'truly unpredictable nomads'..

A Golden Plover was along the sea wall early in the month and was seen recently at Clevedon Golf Club - **this is another bird that shouldn't be here** - they nest in our Northern uplands.

There was a brood of Shelduck ducklings and hopefully a few more by now and also a late Wheatear. Lapwings were displaying, perhaps the birds from the Kingston Seymour maize fields which were unsuitable for them this year.

It has been a poor year generally for Barn Owls and Kestrels but Peregrines have prospered again. One reason may be the abundance of avian prey, Woodpigeons, Jackdaws etc for the Peregrines and a shortage of small mammals for Kestrels and Owls.

Yellowhammers hang on in the Cleeve and Brockley area, and a couple of males were singing on territory towards the end of the month.

Red Kites are still passing through, two over Yatton on the 13th and one low over fields by the motorway at Kenn the following day.

Trevor Riddle 01934 835208



**Services at St. John The Evangelist, Kenn
and
All Saints' Kingston Seymour
July 2021**

July 4th 8.30am **St John's** BCP Communion
 11am **All Saints'** All Together In Church

July 11th 8.30am **All Saints'** BCP Communion
 11am **St John's** All Together In Church

July 18th 11am **All Saints'** Holy Communion

July 25th 11am **St John's** Holy Communion

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With
COFFEE
MORNING

POSTPONED - Covid 19

North Somerset Times

Copies of this local
newspaper are
available in the
Church Porch.



Recycling/food waste Mondays 5th, 12th, 19th 26th July

Dustbin Mondays 12th, 26th July

Green Waste Mondays 12th, 26th July



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www.clevedon-salerooms.com



Clevedon Foodbank currently needs unisex shampoo, savoury crackers, tinned fruit, individual sponge puddings and multi packs of small juices.

They have enough pasta, baked beans and soup.

ALSO, needed are craft materials and

colouring sets etc for children

Donations can be left in the dedicated bins at Tesco, Lidl etc or in the box in the church porch.

Also you can drop off at their premises opposite the vets in Knowles Rd 9.30 -11.30 am Mondays and Fridays

Julia Bush

Thanks again. Call me on 01275 873554 . Julia Bush

Saturday 7th August - Kenn Village Hall 100 year celebration

KENN SINGERS

I'm setting up an informal village singing group to sing a few songs at our Village Hall's 100 year celebration during the afternoon of Saturday 7th August.

I'm hoping those of you who sang with us last time will join again with hopefully a few new members too.



Rehearsals (we won't need many!) will follow government Covid guidance. I will also send out lyrics and backing tracks.

Please email me or get in touch if you'd like to be involved.

Look forward to hearing from you,
Sue Parker

Email: suzyjeg@hotmail.co.uk

**LUNCH AT KENN VILLAGE HALL. The Plan Remains the Same.
Usually on the first Monday of the month, 12.00 noon to 2.30pm.**



Looks like we are ready to go again. Covid death rate is low, infection rate low and vaccination distribution high.

I have booked the village hall for **Monday 6th September and Monday 4th October 2021.** We are used to giving each other plenty of space. So, the lunch venue has been changed from the church to the hall.

Hopefully by September we will be in the post covid era. Although none of us can be sure. I want to accommodate those who are feeling hesitant about socialising. I will prepare and make the food to reduce handling. The seating at the tables will be spaced and all the plates and cups disposable. As we become more socially confident, I will revert to using china.

Brilliant, I cannot wait for us all to be together again for lunch and laughter.

As usual it will be simple fayre. Soup and sandwiches followed by coffee and cake. All for £5 per head. Would anyone object to us giving the takings to Clevedon food bank?

Stay safe and well. Caroline.

**HOORAY THE VILLAGE HALL IS A
100 YEARS OLD**

On August 7th we are holding a celebration starting off with cream teas for **EVERYONE.**

The tea party will culminate in the cutting of a celebration cake at 5.00pm and of course the village photograph.



Please come and enjoy yourself there will be other events taking place

If you wish to contribute with scones or help it would be much appreciated
Marianna. 07860497203.

Book group.

We met on the 3rd June at the back of the village hall.

Just meeting friends for a drink and chat was great. Plus the fabulous view of the fields, orchard and the Mendips.



The sheep, initially startled, continued with their dinner of grass. Perfect venue to discuss and share our books.

Of our various books read, the ones that stand out are 'Lethal White' a superb crime thriller by Robert Galbraith. Better known as J.K. Rowling of Harry Potter fame.

'Nora Webster' By Colin Toibin. A novel about a young widow left with four children. The story is setting in a small Irish town. The narrative unfolds how each of the characters copes with their grief.

Also reviewed was 'Inventing the world' by Meredith Small. An intriguing analysis of how the economic and social structure of Venice influenced western culture.

We are going to read 'The beloved' by Alison Rattle. The drama is set in 1848 and the location is The West Country.

As our meeting in July will also be at the back of the village hall, this will compliment the view. A quintessential Somerset vista.

Our next meeting is on Thursday 8th July at 7.30 Hopefully it will be a balmy summer evening.

Masks for Smile Train

Thanks to everyone who has bought masks, we have paid for three operations on children born with cleft in countries where surgery is not easily available through their health services.



Hooray.!

I now have masks in new fabrics with a summer and seaside theme.

I shall be jolly glad when I can sell them at Kenn Village Market and other events.

Meanwhile, I can bring them to your house and stand back while you select your choice.

Thank you,

Julia Bush 01275 873554

Yellow Teapot is returning!.

Put the date in your diary.

The Yellow Teapot will emerge from the cupboard and come to rest at Kenn Village Hall on the third Monday afternoon of the month starting on **16th August at 2.30pm.**



We are a random group, up for a quiet chat/moan/laugh over tea or coffee and cake. There will be plenty of room to spread out, if the weather is nice we can sit outside.

Anyone and everyone is welcome. More details to follow.

Julia Bush

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INSPIRING WOMEN

KENN W.I.

It was a splendid day on Wednesday 9th June as members gathered behind the Village Hall for a get together after a great many months.

One or two members, including our Treasurer, were unable to come but most of the membership were there and we were delighted to welcome Margaret Chappell back after a lengthy illness.

We were also delighted to welcome several visitors.

We hope that they will like what they found with us and will join us when we are able to begin formal meetings again.

The grass had been beautifully mown and it was great to be able to take our cars off the road. We are so grateful to have this space available to us in these difficult times.

Felicity James had attended to National AGM via Zoom and was able to give us a very full report.

The resolution about ovarian cancer was discussed and there was an excellent speaker, an expert on the subject, who spoke for the resolution. The speaker opposing the resolution was really a Devil's Advocate. Each member will be asked to vote later.

As this magazine goes to press plans are being made for the July meeting. Each member will be contacted individually with news of that meeting and full instructions. We look forward to it.

Ann Holtham

STOP PRESS! - DRUM AND MONKEY

A Planning Application has been submitted for a change of use for The Drum and Monkey from licensed premises to offices.



Our Monthly Missive from The Limes

I missed the last Parish Council meeting. I had three commitments the night of the last meeting and two had to go, and it wasn't Avon Beekeepers and Kenn Parish Council's lucky night. I'm also going to miss the next one and at this rate am in danger of getting kicked off. More likely however will be a slightly cryptic note in an email about a KPC meeting pointing out that if Councillors miss meetings regularly they could be removed.

What I did miss (and so did most of you) was a presentation about the Hinkley Point to Avonmouth power lines. Fortunately I have a copy of the presentation and have trawled their website so for your benefit I thought I'd concentrate on that topic this month.

I suspect by looking at their timescales I could have it as a topic for the next three years, which seems to be how long they have managed to string out the process. I can't remember when the first "consultation" came out about this but it has the potential to be as long drawn out as broadband. Perhaps they have been given so much money for the project they are having trouble spending it quickly. ***So what is this all about?***

A new nuclear power station is being built at Hinkley. Well, we think it is. I can never understand government contracts and how something gets started without money or contracts in place to complete it so forgive some scepticism here. Witness the demolition of the KwikSave site for a new cottage hospital in Clevedon. We end up losing a good chip shop, a store and a community hall and get an area of waste ground fenced off so we can't even kick a football and the Cottage Hospital stays where it is.

The Bible talks about not starting a building unless you know you can finish it else you look stupid. Perhaps the NHS should have read that first.

Anyway, let's assume no-one pulls out and a power station gets built – and works. You think I'm joking. At the time of awarding a contract (Sept 2016), the French/Chinese company building it had no power station based on that technology (Google "EPR") that worked. It wasn't until 2018 that the first two reactors (in China) were up and running. If it does work it has to transmit its electricity to the rest of the country. In this country we have a network of high voltage power lines to convey electricity elsewhere in the country and unsurprisingly this is called the National Grid. What most of us don't realise is that the National Grid is not quite as pervasive as you might think and doesn't extend beyond Avonmouth.

What happens is smaller power lines are used to take electricity from the National Grid to these unimportant outlying areas such as North Somerset, Devon and Cornwall.

If you have stayed with me so far you may see where I'm going with this. Yes, we build a super duper power station and then need to work out how we connect it. The existing power lines are not up to the job. Yes, we need bigger and better ones. Yes they will go where the existing ones are but for a treat we will take these down (not quite true) and take our time to build large towers which will look nicer instead. In the meantime we will build access roads across farmers' fields to where they will be and close local roads while we do it because it is too dangerous for us poor locals to drive past while they make an access into a field.

Yes, this sounds cynical and I guess the presentation the other night was part of a "hearts and minds" campaign to keep us sweet. Unfortunately powerline work to date has not gone down well with some local farmers and there have already been run ins with contractors over closed roads and apparent lack of progress. To be fair, there are also rumours that some farmers have done quite well out of this but I'm not going there....

The website for detailed information is <https://hinkleyconnection.co.uk/>

“We’re connecting people to low carbon energy and helping the UK meet its ambitious net zero target by 2050” is the message.

I can’t help but be rather cynical on statements like this. Hinkley is reputed to be the biggest construction project in Europe. When one of the Dungeness nuclear power stations was built it was calculated that more energy went into building it than it would ever produce. I doubt if anyone understands the big picture and although as an engineer I can see the advantages of nuclear power stations I do have mixed views and net zero targets are a minefield.

Anyway, back to Kenn and the disruption locally. Nailsea Wall has already been closed and reopened and there is some nice shiny new tarmac leading into a field. The Kenn Moor Road closure was delayed until that was completed, presumably because they had run out of road closed signs but is now closed for “up to 44 days over the next 18 months” according to the official permission from North Somerset. In practice we can expect 8 weeks closure as one block.

Other roads will have traffic lights and Ham Lane will be one way from Kingston Bridge to Kenn Moor Road (or is it the other way?) Coupled with traffic problems in Yatton I guess social media will have a field day. For those of you into conspiracy theories it is all a plot to make driving so miserable we all stay at home and observe lockdowns.

However there is some comfort. We are told “Drivers are briefed on how to access and leave sites safely”. Gosh. That really makes me sleep better at night. Still it’s useful to know lorry drivers do have skills other than how close they can get to your rear bumper on a motorway.

Speaking of motorways, the Connection Project has detailed maps on access routes from the M5. Kenn Street is spared construction lorries, -- they go past me instead, over a weight-limited bridge at Kenn Pier. I hope it doesn’t fall down. Well, I do hope it falls down actually as I have a dream of no traffic along my road, (apologies to my neighbours). Nevertheless, if you look at the website it appears that a huge amount of planning has gone into this project and all sorts of issues addressed.

I mentioned earlier that some cables will go underground. The main power lines will not be underground except through the Mendips. Apart from the visual impact this is probably the most eco-friendly option. However some of the existing 132000 volt power lines will be removed and some will be underground, mainly around Nailsea’s Engine Lane area so I wouldn’t go walking around there in bare feet – (just kidding).

Anyway, I have an idea. You probably are aware of Open Garden Schemes where you flog your guts out on your garden for a year and let the public trample over it at weekends in aid of charity. Why not do the same with these pylon sites? Landowners could open up their sites for charity on a weekend and we go along and visit them. Perhaps get a guided tour. We could even give out stickers like we did for the Historic House tours and you collect the set. Perhaps also sell souvenir pens and rubbers to commemorate the event. Never mind if the first year is a little scrappy, we have 3 more years to get it right.

Stephen

KENN PARISH COUNCIL

2021

Commemorating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2022
Queen's 70th year as Monarch.

First British monarch to reach the milestone of celebrating 70 years on the throne.

There will be a year-long celebration throughout the country and the Commonwealth.

Also, to celebrate this the May Bank Holiday will be moved to the weekend Thursday, 2 June to Sunday, 5 June. The four day celebrations will feature an extensive programme of events, mixing the best of British ceremonial splendour and pageantry with cutting edge artistic and technological displays. These will be interspersed with the traditional nationwide fanfare and celebrations.



On 5 June 2022 it is hoped local communities will take part in the Big Jubilee Lunch.



However, the Parish Council have been trying to think what may be a lasting way to commemorate such a momentous event. Maybe plant a tree, new bench, new bus shelter.....other idea, other idea.....

THEY WOULD LIKE TO HEAR YOUR IDEAS.

Please contact a councillor with your suggestion for consideration or send an email to the Clerk.

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2021 Meetings

- 05 July – Council Meeting
- 06 September – Council Meeting
- 01 November – Council Meeting

The meetings will be held at 7:30pm in the Village Hall – agendas on the noticeboards before the above dates

NORTH SOMERSET CONSULTATION

Deadline for comments 18 Aug 2021 at 12:00

The waste strategy will set out the steps we are going to take and measure our progress over the next 10 years. The strategy looks at what we can do to reduce waste and how we can value our natural resources more by encouraging everyone to reuse, repair and recycle more than they already do. We are seeking feedback from residents, organisations, business owners, visitors to the area, volunteer groups and town and parish councils to understand if our targets are correct, if anything is missing and how we aim to achieve our targets.

To find out more information and take part in the online consultation please visit:

www.n-somerset.gov.uk/wastestrategy

Where does all our recycling go at the moment?

You can find more information about where all of your recycling goes on website: www.n-somerset.gov.uk/where-your-recycling-goes

Have your say on the Recycling and Waste Strategy



Recycling also goes into your green bin
Food waste also goes into your brown bin



General household waste goes into your black bin. It is not for recycling.

We only have one planet and all waste goes somewhere. This is a mission to achieve 'zero waste' and is an important part of protecting our planet.

Find out where your recycling goes



How it works: recycling we can use will help us to protect our planet. It will also help us to reduce our carbon footprint.

www.n-somerset.gov.uk/wastestrategy

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