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**Zeals**



## June 2021

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## Mobile Library Times : June 2021

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	<b>Kilmington</b>	Home Guard Club	11.25-11.35 am

## Message from Rev Ben

This month of June will of course see in the Summer Solstice and the longest day of the year. On 21st December this year (the Winter Solstice) we will see only 7hrs and 50mins of day light; however, on 21st June we will be treated to 16hrs and 38mins of day light. The sun will rise at 4.52am and set at 9.26pm. There is something about a long (and hopefully warm!) summer's day, that can make us thankful and hopeful. At time of writing, there is also the hope that we will also be able to be a little freer with what we are able to do with so much sunlight too!

In Ella Frances Sanders' book *Lost in Translation* she describes the word 'gezellig' - a Dutch adjective which "describes much more than just cosiness - a positive warm emotion or feeling rather than just something physical - and connotes time spent with loved ones, together". It is a wonderfully rounded word that brings together so many human emotions - security, comfort, warmth and love being but a few. Much of last year has reduced our capacity to live a way of life that exudes 'gezellig'. We can feel awkward striking up a conversation with people we bump into because of social distancing, we haven't been able to 'drop in' on people in a way we might have before, and many of our go-to instincts to 'reach-out' have been called into question. This is a very real challenge to a group of communities, which I hope people feel are warm and welcoming.

As we see our days reach the height of their length, and some warmth coming in our weather, it is also great to see some of our village norms return such as teas, the continual invitation to worship in our village churches, and the reopening of our pubs. All of these things and more help us to be communities which live out that Dutch word that says so much about being a warm and welcoming place. As the months go by, I very much look forward to seeing more coffee mornings, lunches and other village events creep back into the diary as we continue to be communities that can be defined by that Dutch adjective 'gezellig' – communities which bring warmth, love and hope to those who live within them.

***Ben***

*Rev Ben Rundell-Evans*

## **St George's 100 Club**

Results for the April and May draws are below. The numbers were drawn outside Bourton Garage on Tuesday 11 May.

### **April**

1<sup>st</sup> Prize: Diane Davies

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: Paul Hart

### **May**

1<sup>st</sup> Prize: Finley Moorby

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: Oliver Etheridge

*We have 113 subscriptions this year.*

*1<sup>st</sup> prize will be £34, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize £21.50*

*Ruth Burrows  
01747 840371*

## **St Martin's Millennium Club**

### **May winners**

A WOLYNSKYJ

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D CORBIN

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K MAIDMENT

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## **Green Fingers**

### **Notes from a Fairweather Gardener**

#### **June 2021**

When we think of the garden in June, we often think of roses because June is the month when they are at their best. Playwrights and poets from many cultures have written about roses, and Shakespeare's thought that 'a rose by any other name would smell as sweet', surely sums up their timeless appeal. For all their variety of colour and form, we tend to associate roses with their fragrance. Old fashioned varieties, whether they are climbers or bush roses, often have the strongest fragrance, but some rose breeders, such as David Austin, have made a point of producing highly scented roses of all types, with the advantage of more disease resistance.

Roses are in some ways quite fussy plants, and although they seem to survive in the most unlikely places, most varieties will produce their best blooms when planted in full sunshine and free draining soil. They also respond well to regular feeding and mulching. To get the best blooms, feed roses in containers every couple of weeks, and those in the ground twice a year, once in spring and once in summer to encourage further blooms. Roses grown in the ground do not need much watering once they have established unless there is a drought; roses grown in containers will need to be kept watered through the summer. However, they do not like competition, so try to keep their roots weed free.

The summer garden can be a riot of perfume, even without roses. Honeysuckle and jasmine climbing up a wall or rambling over a tree stump, philadelphus and lavender bushes are perhaps some the most obvious candidates for a scented garden, but they are not the only options. If you don't want anything as large or as permanent as these, there are several annuals which will provide evening perfume such as night scented stocks or nicotiana. All culinary herbs smell sweetly – have you thought of planting thyme in a path so that it releases its scent as you step on it? And for the chocoholics amongst you, why not try a chocolate cosmos. Yes, it really does smell of chocolate!

All of these will delight the bees and other insects in your garden, so as well as colour and scent, you will get the gentle humming of bees. What better image is there of the perfect summer's day?

***Daphne Knott***

## **Kilmington & Stourton Women's Institute**

For the May Zoom Meeting the speaker was Daphne Atkinson  
on a historical subject: Life Below Stairs

The next meeting will be on 29th June 2021

If you are interested in joining the WI please contact:

Secretary Bernie Isted [bernieisted@gmail.com](mailto:bernieisted@gmail.com)

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## News from Stourhead

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### Introducing Tim Parker – the new Head Gardener at Stourhead.

“Slanting light gleaming through the trees. Wide stretches of parkland with

sheep grazing under old oaks. The distant glimmer of a lake and stream, or the outline of a temple or folly on a hill – nothing is more beautiful, or more ‘English’, than an 18th century landscape garden.”

*Horace Walpole 1762*

We are thrilled to have appointed Tim Parker as our new Head Gardener at Stourhead. In this pivotal role Tim will provide our wonderful team with the vision and leadership to ensure that Stourhead remains an internationally renowned exemplar of an 18th century designed landscape - here to move teach and inspire future generations. Tim and his family will join us in August and he writes...

The Hoare family have an awful lot to be proud of. Stourhead is the zenith of landscape gardens and visiting never fails to leave a lasting impression at the deepest level. It is a garden that lifts the spirits, and I can't wait to play my part in ensuring that it is cherished and protected for generations to come. The work taking place on the wider estate to protect nature and the production of estate timber are fantastic, and I look forward to getting involved in caring for the 2500 acres of countryside in our care.

Some of my earliest memories were spent gardening as have parents who are keen amateur gardeners with a decent sized garden. My love of gardening only grew, and I have now worked in horticulture for over 17 years, most of this time as a Gardener for the National Trust. During this time I have worked at several properties including Claremont Landscape Garden, Clandon Park, Polesden Lacey (where I was Head Gardener) and most recently at the Chartwell Portfolio in Kent where I am Garden and Countryside Manager for the gardens and surrounding countryside at Chartwell, Emmetts and Quebec House.

Opportunities like this are once in a lifetime. To be in a position to support the team at Stourhead in caring for the landscape for generations to come is an absolute privilege. I look forward to leading the management and care of this magnificent garden and estate and to supporting and nurturing the team along the way.

## Country Calendar: June 2021

With her long daylight hours  
Bursting forth summer flowers  
Swallows fledging from their nests  
Busy days, little rest. JP

What weather we have been having - the wettest winter and now the driest April. The first May Bank Holiday was the coldest since records began. Things were getting desperate: continual frosts, cutting winds, no rain for several weeks hindered the grass and crops growth, so warm temperatures and soft gentle rain very much in need. Fodder is in demand as turnout for livestock has been held back and farmers are short of hay or silage. As we hit June, we are keeping our fingers crossed for warm balmy days, with gentle refreshing rain at night - wishful thinking, but farmers have to be the eternal optimists.



At least the sale of our bulls has been very buoyant and Desmond our donkey has been kept very busy accompanying the bulls on their journey to their new homes. Desmond might be a little brown donkey but he is a very brave loving soul with a heart of gold. And incredibly intelligent: the cattle cannot get enough of him; the females lick and mother him and the bulls are calmed by him. It is the pheromones! For those of us who have seen the movie Shrek you might remember the part when Donkey says to Shrek "Oh, come on, Shrek, wake up and smell the pheromones!"? Well, Donkey was right, pheromones do play an important role in animal behaviour! When we train our young bulls Desmond walks with them, and bulls are

immediately calmed and their experience of being haltered and taught to walk with Desmond next to them is comforting and relaxing. Desmond's talents are unending from training them to walk or travel in the trailer where his presence always makes them calm and the experience trouble free. The best thing is when Desmond is called on to accompany the bulls which have been sold; we always, if possible, deliver them ourselves. With Desmond's presence the animals are chilled, happy and travel safely and stress free. It always makes me smile when I see a huge, big bull follow this little brown donkey out of the trailer like a lamb. The funniest thing is when the bull arrives at its destination: the new owner of the animal is always shocked when the tail gate is lowered and out walks Desmond followed by one very large, swaggering, happy, chilled bull.

***Jane Parker***



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## Whitesheet School News

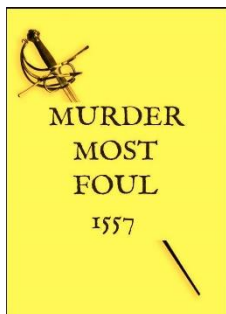
We are delighted to tell you that the children in years 5 and 6 are able to attend the “Kilve Court” residential trip in Somerset in late June/July 2021. This trip was postponed from last year.

Kilve Court is a historical gem, set in 40 acres of wooded grounds and gardens, less than a mile from the beach at the foot of the Quantock Hills, where the children can enjoy a range of supervised activities, such as abseiling and archery. It is a fantastic opportunity for the children to learn outside of the classroom. We know they will have an unforgettable time.

After school clubs are on this term: swimming and cooking club on a Monday, Wednesday dance club and Thursday multi sports club.

Miss Mack from Gillingham School is to visit Whitesheet on 17<sup>th</sup> June, to meet with Year 6 children who will be moving on at the end of term 6 in July. The transition day is 30<sup>th</sup> June, when all children move to a new class or school which they will be attending in September.

***Vanessa Higgins Head of School***



# MURDER MOST FOUL

## JUNE QUIZ 2021

Win two MMF Tickets by answering the questions below. The questions relate to the period of the Hartgill Murders. All correct answers will go into a hat on 1<sup>st</sup> July from which the winner's name will be drawn.

1. Who was on the throne in England in 1557?
2. What is a *Poignard*?
3. In which county was Kilmington in the 16<sup>th</sup> century?
4. What is a *Marchet*?
5. What was the purpose of *Peine Forte et Dure*?
6. What is a *Groat*?
7. A man drinks a *Pottle* of beer. How many pints has he drunk?
8. What is a *Halberd*?
9. In which village did William and John Hartgill live?
10. What was the Star Chamber?

Please email answers with your name and contact details to [quiz@murdermostfoul.co](mailto:quiz@murdermostfoul.co) by end of play on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021. One entry per email address.

### Stourton Village Show

This is a call for fresh volunteers to run the Stourton Village Show. Last year the Show did not happen for obvious reasons. This year the previous volunteer team find themselves short on inspiration and long on work and family commitments. The show is currently pencilled in for Sunday 1st August. To make it happen a new team is needed. The old team can explain how they used to do it - if required - or a new format can be devised.

If you would like to volunteer please contact Johnnie Gallop on 01747 841565 [jgallop66@gmail.com](mailto:jgallop66@gmail.com)

# SERVICES FOR JUNE 2021

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup>** Corpus Christi  
09.00 am BCP Communion at St Mary's Kilmington

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>** **1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity**  
10.00 am Parish Communion at St George's Bourton

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>** **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Trinity**  
10.00 am Parish Communion at St Mary's Kilmington

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup>** **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Trinity**  
10.00 am Parish Communion at St Peter's Stourton

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>** **4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**  
10.00 am Parish Communion at St Martin's Zeals

## July 2021

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>** **5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**  
10.00 am Parish Communion at St George's Bourton

*Churches are now open for private prayer as follows:*

**Mondays** St George's Bourton

**Wednesdays** St Martin's Zeals

**Thursdays** 09.00 am at St Mary's Kilmington for Morning Prayer  
St Peter's Stourton open **all day** with restrictions

## From the Registers

### Wedding

21<sup>st</sup> May at St Peter's, Stourton **Holly Fuoco and George Robert**

### Funeral

14<sup>th</sup> May at St Martin's, Zeals **Glenda Martin**

### Interment of Ashes

19<sup>th</sup> May in St Martin's Churchyard, Zeals **Di Williams**

## **A Service of Praise & Celebration of our Pets & All Creatures, Great & Small**

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2021 @ 4 pm**  
**at Home Farm, Stourton, BA12 6QL**  
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This service is suitable for all ages, and will be followed by pet treats and light refreshments.

Donations for Pets as Therapy & Cinnamon Trust most welcome.

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Contacts: Barbara 01747 840141/Rev Ben Rundell-Evans 01747 840221

## **Summer at St George's Bourton**

**Save these dates please!**

Art in the Garden Event on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> August from 3.0pm-5.0pm in gardens in Old Pound Court. Teas as well as art! If it is wet on 8<sup>th</sup> August we will try again on 15<sup>th</sup> August. Some of the art will be available to buy.

***ALSO - ALERT TO READERS WHO PAINT!***

We would be delighted to receive paintings from readers of the magazine for display in our gardens in August. Paintings may be included which are for sale and not for sale. If you wish to sell a painting please price it. We would ask for a donation to St George's Church as you feel is appropriate should you make a sale. Please bring easels or supports to help display your work. Paintings may be brought to our gardens from 2.30pm before we open at 3.0pm or they may be left with Nick Hall or Margaret Martin before the event.

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Wiltshire Council has been given Department of Education funding to deliver the Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) programme to children eligible for benefits related free school meals in Wiltshire. The programme is being delivered in Wiltshire using the brand FUEL. The deadline for applications is **5pm on Thursday 3 June 2021**. This tight timescale is to ensure that successful applicants have the appropriate time to plan, promote and deliver their FUEL programme. For information about this funding or application please email [fuelprogramme@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:fuelprogramme@wiltshire.gov.uk)



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## **News from Parish Councils**

### **Bourton**

After 14 months of virtual meetings Bourton Parish Council will have held its first face-to-face meeting in the village on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May. The Zoom meetings have been very successful and we have managed to conduct all the necessary council business without too many hiccups. I would like to thank all our councillors for their continued commitment and attendance in what have been very strange and sometimes stressful times during the pandemic.

The wonderful volunteers who carry out two litter picks during the year have been busy again recently. At the last Parish Council meeting Bernie Sullivan said "It is now 7 years since our litter volunteers commenced their twice-yearly litter picks in March and September, and this year new volunteers have come forward and helped to increase our range yet again. Not only have all roads and public footpaths been cleared within the parish, but all four of the parish laybys have also been tackled, not only with litter removal, but also fly-tipping cases reported. Our Wincanton Road team has even extended their efforts beyond the parish boundary all the way to the A303 junction, a sterling effort. Bourton has never been cleaner! We are now looking for "Anti-Litter Champions" who will make the picking up and disposing of litter as a routine part of their walking in the parish throughout the year, so please give this some thought and help spread the word!" so if you are interested please contact [bourtonparishclerk@hotmail.com](mailto:bourtonparishclerk@hotmail.com)

At the previous Parish Council it was agreed that the village needed an extra noticeboard at the eastern end of the village and I recently met with Enrico Dimarino, our Community Highway Officer, to agree the placement of the noticeboard on the grass verge along Main Road, just before Tan Lane.

*Eve Wynn, Clerk*

### **Kilmingtion**

The Annual Parish and Annual Parish Council meetings were held on 20 May at our new venue of the Home Guard Club. The Chairman gave a report on the PC's activities over the past year, George Jeans on his work as Wiltshire Unitary Councillor for the Mere district and Elizabeth Hames reported on the Kilmingtion Parish Amenity Fund and Kilmingtion News. Copies of their reports will be available on our website <https://kilmingtionwiltshire.org>

Graham Cotton was nominated and elected as Chairman of the Parish Council for the next year and Elizabeth Hames was nominated and elected as Vice Chairman. All councillors signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office and undertaking to observe the Code of Conduct, including our two new members – Andrew Reeves and Chris Webster.

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There was much formal business to get through at this meeting and all the details, including the financial documents will be available on our website and noticeboard.

Two planning applications were discussed:

**Application No. PL/2021/03114** Conversion of part of redundant barn to form 1-bedroom dwelling at land adjacent to Greenfield, Butts Lane, Kilmington. The applicants were present at the meeting and the PC resolved to “Support – with conditions” and following discussions the Chairman agreed to put these in writing to the other members before submitting them to Wiltshire Council.

**Application No. PL/2021/04538** Installation of replacement mixing plant in the service yard at the rear (south-east) of the premises at The Highlands, Norton Ferris. The applicants were present at the meeting and all members had reviewed the plans on line. It was resolved to “Support” this application.

**Ruth Burrows, Clerk:** [parishclerk@kilmingtonwiltshire.org](mailto:parishclerk@kilmingtonwiltshire.org), 01747 840371

## **Stourton with Gasper**

Stourton with Gasper Parish Council have 3 councillors due to take office at the annual parish council meeting which has been delayed until 26th May. We plan to co-opt new councillors at the meeting. As we need to go to print before the meeting we will provide a report for the next magazine.

**Fran Hill, Clerk**

## **Zeals**

Councillors held an indoor meeting on Tuesday 18 May for the first time in over one year, but with very limited public attendance owing to continued restrictions. The six elected councillors discussed the applications made by some residents for the single co-opted vacancy, with a decision to be published at the next meeting. Charles Spencer was elected Chairman, with Mark Gibbons as Vice Chair and Caro Hole Jones in charge of Planning. Most of the AGM was devoted to the financial review undertaken by the Clerk before the Annual Governance and Accountability Review is posted locally and sent to our external auditors. The Management Committee of the Village Hall presented a short report to the councillors, as they are the Trustees of the Hall. The normal bi-monthly meeting followed, and many local issues were discussed and some decisions made on issues such as: the Alms Houses; further use of Green pastures; lay-by problems along New Road; repairs still needed to build-out structures within the 30 mph scheme and speeding driver problems along the same route, and the condition of Portnells Lane’s public notice board. Full details can be read on our boards and on [hugofox.com/communities/zeals](http://hugofox.com/communities/zeals) website.

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## Regular Weekly Events

<b>Weekdays</b>	<b>Pre-School</b>	08.45 -15.15 at the Preschool Playing Fields, West Bourton <i>[term time only]</i>
	<b>The ZAC (Zeals AfterSchool Club)</b>	Daily 15.15-18.00 (17.00 Fridays) at Mere Youth Centre, off White Rd, Mere 01747 840077/ <a href="mailto:info@thezac.org.uk">info@thezac.org.uk</a>
<b>Tuesdays</b>	<b>Tummies, Tiddlers &amp; Toddlers</b>	09.15 – 12 noon at Bourton Village Hall
	<b>Beavers</b>	contact Anne Martin (ZAZU) anne.martin9@btinternet.com or by text to 07368 588270

*Bourton Beavers are making the most of the longer evenings and exploring their local villages with their leaders. We welcome children aged 6 to 8 years of age. Try us and see if you like us!! TUESDAY NIGHT IS BEAVER NIGHT 6-7 pm*

<b>Wednesdays</b>	<b>Bell ringing practice</b>	19.30 – 21.00 at St Martin's Zeals <i>[will re-commence when restrictions allow]</i> Contact Georgina Muir 01985 844245
<b>Fridays</b>	<b>Friday Fun Club</b>	10.00 - 11.30 Whitesheet School Hall Zeals <i>[temporarily suspended due to Covid]</i>
	<b>Choir Practice</b>	Most Fridays (18.00-19.00) at St Martin's Church Zeals. New singers welcome. Contact Tom Wheare 01747 840 622 <i>[will re-commence when restrictions allow]</i>

<b>Cubs</b>	Contact Lesley Love GSL lesley1ump@hotmail.co.uk or text on 07967100106
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*Bourton Cubs are not meeting as our Leaders have changed jobs and are not available to run the sessions currently. We apologise for this and realise it is a disappointment to our young people. We hope to be able to offer Cubs once again in September, watch this space for updates.*

## Bourton Village Hall

Wow! Our afternoon teas have proved to be very successful! The sun shone on our St George's Day tea and it was lovely to see people of all ages chatting together outside.

The next one will be on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June from 2:30 to 4:30 and will be a Wimbledon-themed Afternoon Tea. The gazebos will be up outside in the car park again and although we can't offer lawn tennis, we will have the new table tennis tables set up inside for anyone to have a go. The tea will be £2.50 per adult and there's no charge for children. We're planning on setting up regular table tennis sessions for adults and children so come and have a go and tell us what you think. It would be great to see some youngsters come and play after school - free drinks and cake on offer!

All being well we should all be back to normal very soon and indoor events can start again in the hall.

To discuss hall bookings, please contact Heather  
07849 673670 [hansley@btinternet.com](mailto:hansley@btinternet.com).

Safety is very important to us and we will ensure that any COVID restrictions are followed at all events.

## Cricket!

***We have a new Sunday cricket team and would love you to join us, all abilities and ages welcome!***



Go to the Kilmington and Stourton Cricket Club facebook page to check timings for nets and come along to support us for matches at the beautiful Stourhead ground overlooking the house.

The team includes all abilities and ages (from 14) so please don't be put off if you haven't played for years or even at all - there's no commitment, you will be welcomed if you can turn out for a single match.

Kit can be supplied, all you will need is a white shirt and trousers and an enthusiasm for the game.

Want to know more? email [jim@jamesmann.com](mailto:jim@jamesmann.com) or call 07802182375

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