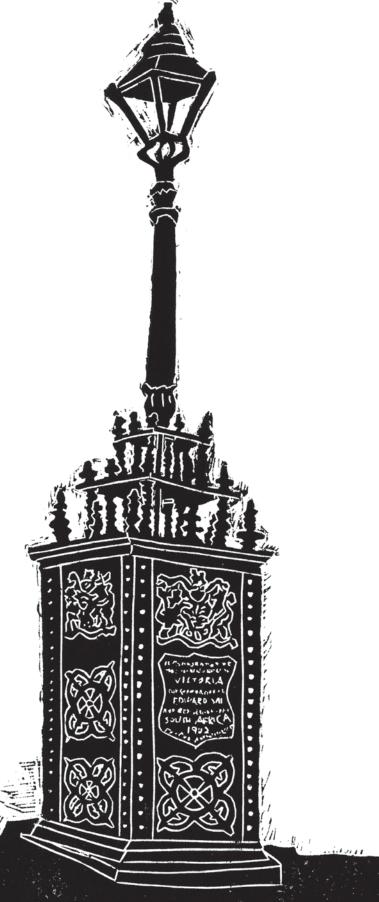


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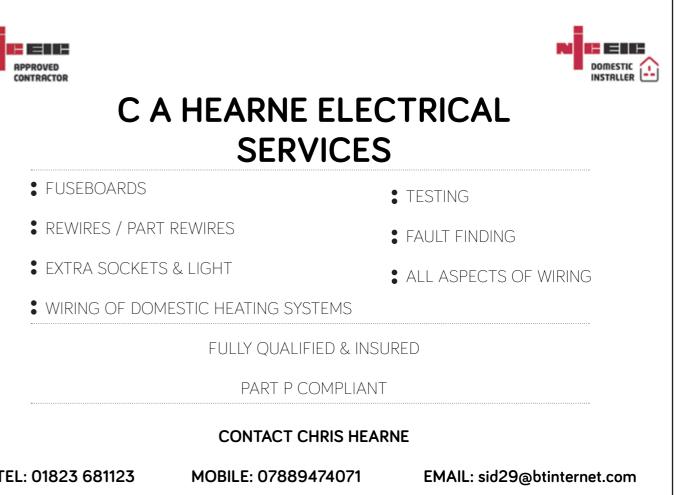
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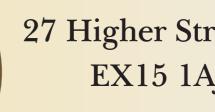
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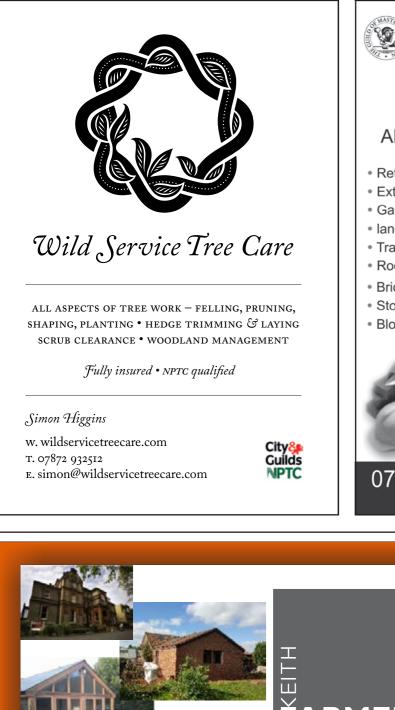
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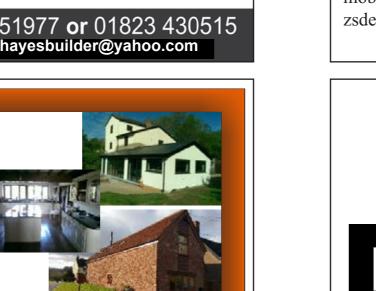
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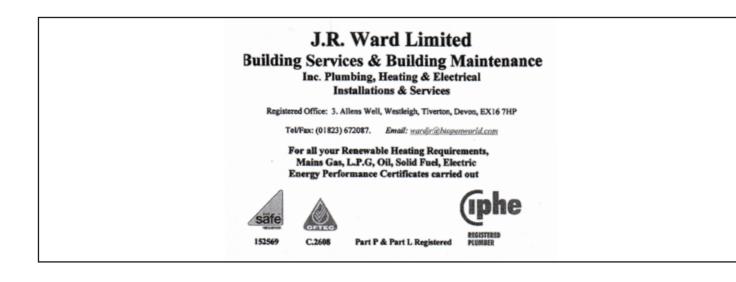


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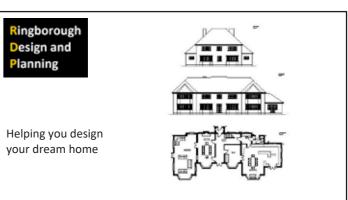
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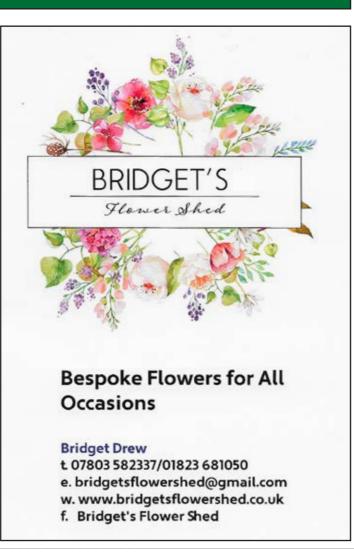


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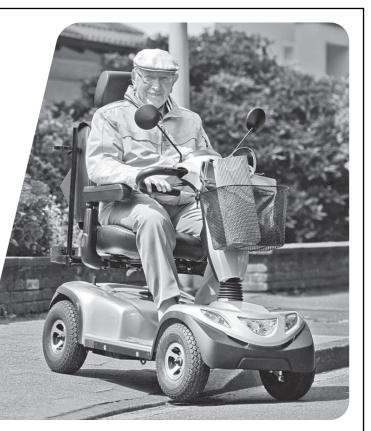
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SERVICES FOR JUNE

Sunday	10.30 am	Zoom Morning Worship	4.00 pm	All Saints, Culmstock
6 June				Communion Service (contemporary)
Sunday	10.30 am	Zoom Morning Worship	4.00 pm	St Andrews, Clayhidon
13 June				Communion Service (contemporary)
Sunday	10.30 am	Zoom Morning Worship	4.00 pm	St Mary's, Hemyock
20 June				Communion Service (contemporary)
Sunday	10.30 am	Zoom Morning Worship	4.00 pm	All Saints, Culmstock
27 June				Communion Service (contemporary)

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SERVICES FOR JULY

From July we return to our regular service pattern.

	Culm Davy Chapel	St Andrew, Clayhidon	All Saints, Culmstock	St Mary, Hemyock
Sunday 4 July Fifth after Trinity	9.00am Communion service (Traditional)		10.00am Communion service (Contemporary)	11.00am Morning Worship
Sunday 11 July Sixth after Trinity Sea Sunday		8.30am Communion service (Contemporary)	10.00am Worship Together 6.30pm Evensong (Traditional)	11.00am Communion service (Contemporary)
Sunday 18 July Seventh after Trinity	6.00pm Evening Prayer (Traditional)	10.00am Morning Worship	10.00am Communion service (Contemporary)	11.00am Morning Worship
Sunday 25 July St James the Apostle		10.00am Communion service (Contemporary)	10.00am Morning Worship	11.00am Communion service (Contemporary)

Tuesday services

From July, a service is held each Tuesday morning at All Saints Culmstock at 10.00am. On the 4th Tuesday it is a Traditional (1662 BCP) Holy Communion; the remaining weeks it is a Traditional (1662 BCP) Morning Prayer.

Contemporary Holy Communion = Common Worship (2000) liturgy

Please check notices outside the churches for up-to-date information about services.

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Many of you know that before I was ordained I worked as an engineer. There was one project in particular that I shall never forget. On that job everything that could go wrong did go wrong. It was a nightmare. When eventually it was completed we had the usual de-briefing session, and I remember saying, "Well I don't want to experience another project

like that - ever." My boss, who was a man of few words, but a great deal of wisdom turned and said to me, "John, experience isn't just what happens to a person, it's what use he makes of it."

"...experience isn't just what happens to a person, it's what use they make of it."

I have thought a lot about that over the last year. We have had to live through all the restrictions and inconvenience brought about by coronavirus, all the deprivation, both financial and social, all the sadness and loss and grief suffered by so many people, all the stresses and strains imposed on frontline workers, risking their own lives for the sake of others. None of us ever wants to have to experience anything like that ever again. But as restrictions begin to be eased, the question surely

I saw a television news broadcast recently about the gradual re-opening of bars and restaurants. The reporter concluded his piece by saying that people were now looking forward to the old normality being re-established. I found myself (yet again!) shouting at the television screen "No, no, no that is not what we want!" If everything goes back to exactly the way it was before, all the trauma of the last year will have been for nothing. Yes, eventually all the restrictions will be gone. Yes, eventually we shall be able to do all the things we did before, but attitudes and behaviour need to change.

is, what use are we going to make of the experiences of the last



twelve months?

We cannot turn back the clock. We cannot simply wipe the pandemic from our minds and go on our carefree way. We are not quite the same people we were before it all started. As well as all the awful things, coronavirus has also done some useful things as well

It has made us stop and think. It has made us take stock of our lives and consider what is really important. I have been struck by the evidence that people

have been using our churches on the days when they have been open, maybe just as a quiet place to sit, maybe to think and pray, maybe to be in silence with God. I think that if we listen to God he will use what we have experienced to turn us into better people.

Over the last year, a phrase from St. Paul's letter to the Romans has kept coming into my thoughts, 'We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.' That means that no matter what happens to us, and no matter how unlikely this might seem, God is working to bring something of good out of even the bad things of life.

As the restrictions continue to be eased we should be grateful and thankful for all the good things in life. One of the things coronavirus has done for me is to teach me not to take things for granted. I am reminded yet again that we are not in control of our own lives, no matter how much we might think that we are. Ultimately it is God, who if we attend to him, provides the opportunities and opens the doors to them, as well as closing the doors that lead to the wrong pathways through life.

John Stone

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Easter Morning Services

ovely warm sunshine greeted folks with pre-booked seats, attending Easter morning services at the Churches across the upper Culm Valley.

The service at St Mary's Hemyock was conducted by Rev Chris Hudson and the congregation enjoyed the Easter hymns sung by Mrs Jenny Doble. The final hymn was sung in the Churchyard by all the congregation accompanied on accordian by Ron White – a joyful celebration of Easter Day, but also of our first service at the Church since Christmas 2020. The church had been beautifully decorated with Spring flowers whilst a smaller version of the traditional indoor Easter garden was laid at the base of the outdoor cross.

The Easter trail in the churchyards of Hemyock and Culmstock attracted a number of families and whilst not church property the War Memorial alongside held a display of daffodils.

A zoom Songs of Praise was held in the evening, with attendees from all the Churches in the upper Culm Valley. Hymns chosen included Jesus Christ is risen today and Lord of the Dance. Rev Becky Totterdell, Rector hosted the evening with a talk from Steve Williams (Hemyock Baptist) and prayers led by Jonathan Hillman (Rosemary Lane Chapel).

St Mary's, Hemyock is open on Wednesdays and Fridays for private prayer. Zoom services will continue on Sunday mornings until the end of June with an afternoon service at 4pm in one of the Churches in the Upper Culm Valley (outside if good weather). Please see www.culmkirks.co.uk for further details.





















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To commemorate the centenary of the Royal British Legion a poppy wreath was laid on Hemyocks War Memorial at 9am on Saturday May 15th by David Bawler RBL Poppy Appeal Coordinator for Hemyock and Clayhidon.

Church Annual Meeting

ollowing the Vestry meeting via zoom of St Marys church and Culm Davy Chapel, Hemyock when Churchwardens David Bawler and Sarah Folland (church) with Mark Fitzgerald (chapel) were re -elected the annual meeting took place chaired by the Rector, Rev Becky Totterdell.

As in all churches over the past year life changed, face to face services in the area gave way to communicating via computer a new and improved Link sheet was developed which along with service sheets was distributed weekly and the number receiving this had increased dramatically both locally and further afield. This had given the opportunity to reach out to others than just regular church members and as the Rector said in her report "People couldn't come to church to worship so the church went to people instead"

Prior to the meeting a review of the year had been distributed. The electoral roll number stood at 62 which included 6 new members. Finances reported treasurer Hazel Partridge had seen the general account receipts exceed payments by £538.74. She said the forthcoming year may be difficult but we know what is happening so finances should be ok and thanked John Northan, auditor for his support.

Mark Fitzgerald mentioned that the Quinquennial inspection in September 2020 found the chapel to be "very well maintained and in good condition." Thanks were expressed to the group of volunteers who care for the chapel and grounds and the small but loyal congregation for financial support. St Mary's had seen areas of damp appearing mainly in the Vestry David Bawler reported, which was quite bad and work will be needed to remedy it but generally the church is in good repair. Proposed work to the tower interior bell chamber had been postponed but it was hoped to start this in the near future. Thanks were given to Charles Courtenay and the group of volunteers who undertake the maintenance of the churchyard and rose garden. The Church Room had been closed due to the pandemic but is in good condition.

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David Berkley

All the groups connected to the Church and chapel had submitted reports and as expected little had taken place. New Safeguarding representatives had been appointed; the charity and coffee shop had passed £1,000 to the church as well as passing goods to other charities; donations to Potters Village in Uganda had been met; the church had received from a bereaved family the gift of an electric organ and the choir had been delighted to be able to sing at a small number of services but from the north aisle rather than the choir stalls. The Friends of St Mary's had managed to arrange two musical events and had served coffee for the first three months of 2020 at the charity shop. The group had paid for the trees used at the Christmas Festival with a PCC donation towards the main tree and paid for the replacement of two external doors at the Church Room.

Both the local food bank and Christian Response to Eastern Europe had received tremendous parish and further afield support. Thanks were expressed to all those who continued to do this and to Spar who had become another recognised collection foodbank point within the village.

During the year contact and support to parishioners had seen the distribution of bags to celebrate Christingle and later with Palm Sunday and Easter bags providing activities for all ages and of course Easter eggs. In conjunction with other local churches school assemblies were produced and a children's Easter trail laid around the churchvard. Whilst zoom services have been the norm there has also been joy in a number of outdoor services and everyone was looking forward to the time when singing can be resumed within both church and chapel.

Rev Totterdell expressed thanks to the many people who had helped support her and the church through a very difficult and demanding year including the Wardens, benefice administrator, Hilary Clements, the ministry team, the. Church council and PCC secretary Brian Samuels along with all had helped in enabling worship to continue in different ways. Her given text for the year had been 'For I know the plans I have for you, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future' saying as people continue to trust and look to God for guidance we will discover plans for individuals and for the community St Mary's and Culm Davy serve.

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David Berkley, Bakers Cottage. 01823 680952

Correction to the last Parish Pump

In the article about unwanted tools finding a new home, we mistakenly gave the incorrect telephone number. Our sincere apologies to all concerned. The correct telephone number for David Berkley is 01823 680952. If you have unwanted gardening, woodworking or building tools, in addition to sewing machines and knitting machines, then David will be very pleased to hear from you. Email davidberkley@ uwclub.net. Thank you.

their bathroom to be modernised to enable them to continue to live at home; another patient who needed a chair that would help them in getting in and out without assistance. Another example is a patient who had severe back pain and a grant was given for them to have remedial massage.

If you feel the Trust can help you we would suggest you talk to your GP or any person who gives you support and submit an Application form which can be found online or pick one up from any of the Blackdown Practice surgeries. The Trustees are only too happy to consider any applications. Alternatively for more details please contact the secretary, Mrs Judy Barton on 01823 680975 or j.h.barton@hotmail.

The Trustees are proud of the speed with which they are able to help patients and in many cases are able to provide financial assistance within two weeks.

The current Trustees are Mrs Shirley Wyatt (Chairman), Mr Stephen Walker (Legal representative - Ashfords), Mrs Judy Barton (Secretary), Mrs Penny Browning, Dr Susan Brocklesby and Mr Tom Baker.

COULD WE HELP YOU?

Hemyock History Group

avid Pinder gave an interesting talk on Improving water supplies to Devon Communities after the First World War on Thursday May 6th over Zoom to History Group members.

This was an entertaining talk on an essential community asset, the availability of water required every day by families, farms and industry. He used as the subject for his talk the community of Wembury on the South Devon Coastal Plateau centred on the Langdon Court Estate which represented 55% of the community area with its 2080 acres. The improvement to the water supply was implemented by the estate in 1927 linking the various streams and springs with a network of pipes and pumps to supply all the properties in the area. Not that water was supplied to every property but was restricted to the important buildings of the main Estate and to the tanks supplying the animals. Pipes ending at communal Pumps were also installed for the villagers to collect their daily water supply. The estate financed the

installation which improved the return on the farming operations. As a result of the widespread access to clean water, developers were attracted to the area to create coastal houses for the growing population and demand for rural living along the coast.

Local authorities had only been created by an Act of Parliament in 1888 with Parish Councils coming into existence as a result of an earlier Act in 1894. The powers of the Parish Council did include the responsibility "to obtain water from any well, spring or stream and to ensure the Cleaning and drainage of ponds, watercourses and ditches." Regional Water Authorities were brought into existence by an Act of 1974. Prior to these authorities coming into existence the local Church representatives appointed by the Diocese

were much involved in supporting and administering the communities. In fact the first Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Rural District Councils were Rev John De Burgh Forbes, Rector of Hemyock and Rev Walrond Clarke, Rector of Clayhidon as voted in by their communities.

Hemyock School notes in its records for 1897 that "it was resolved that a representation be made to the County Council pointing out that as a parish we were constantly suffering from epidemic diseases and drawing their attention to the unsatisfactory supply of water both for washing and flushing purposes and ask their immediate attention to the matter." At this time Hemyock was a thriving community with a Milk Factory supplying milk to the London area daily and several shops and businesses with several large independent farms. Due to the slopes of the Culm Valley we have rarely had a shortage of water but the management of the water is always a problem with a gradual improvement over time. There has been a water pump in the square since early in the

19th century, which was upgraded with a water reservoir under ground and a new more efficient Pump mechanism and grand metal housing installed in 1902. The picture below shows the Coronation Committee in 1902 by the newly erected Hemyock Pump celebrating the Edwardian era and the end of the war in South Africa.

Several pumps were installed at Wembury for the use of the community. The talk also described the use of a Ram Pump to pump water up hill from one of the pumps to the main house at the top of the hill. I have also seen the Ram Pump in operation at the Lost Gardens of Heligan where the large bore pipe taking the flow of volume water into the Ram which connects with a smaller bore pipe to deliver the water uphill to the main house. At this Estate there was a reservoir tank built above the Ram Pump to ensure that there was always sufficient volume flow of water into the source pipe. During the talk David Pinder referred to an air



cylinder being used. This cylinder was a sealed container with the source water flowing into cylinder such that the area containing the air was reduced causing pressure to build to a level that caused the valve into the delivery pipe to open and allow the water to flow up the smaller bore pipe to the desired location. We understand that such a Ram Pump was installed to supply water to Newton Farm with the Ram Pump installed half way up the field by Cox's Park taking water from the spring that flowed down the field. The large diameter pipe took the spring water and initially flowed downhill to where the ram pump was installed with an air cylinder and valve located vertically with another valve taking the pressured water into a small diameter delivery pipe that would drive the water uphill to the desired location. No power was required to drive the water uphill, this was simply achieved with the natural pressure of the source water driving the supply. However due to the requirement that the source water had to continuously flow into the ram pump with no air bubble or interruption, Ram Pumps were always considered as temperamental. The owners of Newton Farm had to regularly drive down to the field to prime the pump. Eventually the owners, Mr and Mrs Ward instructed a water diviner who located where to dig a bore hole at the farm which resulted in a continuous water supply from 30 ft below the ground surface.

Various properties in the area have used wells, some of which were gravity fed to the property, others used pumps to bring the water to the surface to satisfy demand. The problems with wells is both the quality of the water, which has to be tested regularly, and also at certain times they run dry. The availability of modern drilling equipment results in the drilling of bore holes becoming more popular.

The following talks are provided by the Devon History Society over zoom in the coming months when History members are invited. Should you wish to join these talks please request the details.

- Place names Ottery and Devon. A talk by Chris Wakefield. Delivered via Zoom. on 21st May at
- Tourism and Leisure in 1920s Devon. A 'Devon in the 1920s' event on 5th June at 10am.
- The rotten boroughs of Devon and 1832 Reform Act. on 9th June at 2pm
- The diocesan archive and the local historian. on 3rd July at 10am.

Hemyock History Group will be starting a series of history talks in the Church Rooms in September with

- September 16th talk by Pauline Rossell
- October 21st talk by Mark Farrell
- November 18th talk by Pierce Langdon.

Gresham College are inviting interested historians to join them for a series of talks which you can find out about on their web site at https://www.gresham.ac.uk/

Mike Cooper, Hemyock History blackdownarchives@btinternet.com

Repair Café Benefits

 \mathbf{T} just wanted to outline some of the key benefits of repair cafes as *I see them in my role as Reuse project officer for Devon county* council.

Whilst many people will see that having household items repaired for a small donation is the key aspect, I have found in my work with the 14 repair cafes in Devon that the positive outcomes are so much more than just that.

Repair cafes offer a hub for community support, they are a place where people can meet, talk and an activity that builds community around the main activity. They require a variety of different skills that are utilised from the community and this is a positive as it brings together many and varied groups with the sole purpose of working together.

Whilst repair and fixing things is the primary purpose people are required to run the café, assist with booking in as well as associated tasks such as promotion, set up and pack down. There really is something for everyone so it's a very inclusive activity.

Also during the periods of lockdown and until this present time, when repair cafe's were, and are still not able to operate within their normal premises, such as village, parish or church halls, one such repair cafe namely, the Blackdown Hills Repair Café, has been most successfully operating a repair service from the Coordinators own premises, under strict Risk Assessment conditions, utilising volunteer repairers carrying out the repairs in their own workshops and therefore continuing to provide a service to the community and prevent items from being consigned to the bin and landfill.

Often a repair café will generate surplus funds and this is often ploughed back into the community to support charitable works or local good causes for the benefit of the community.

So to reiterate a repair café is about so much more than fixing items and saving them from being disposed of, it's a hook to build community around, a way of passing on skills and of preventing social isolation all whilst enjoying a cup of tea and a slice of cake in pleasant company. With the additional benefit of supporting local good causes, helping people avoid expensive repair bills or replacement costs and preventing waste.

Are you new to Hemyock? Are you interested in our parish history?

If so you may like a copy of The Book of Hemyock compiled by local authors the late Brian Clist and resident Chris Dracott.

The hard cover book of 184 pages contains a wide range of topics including natural history and the early days to churches, school, pubs, medical care, youth groups, arts, farming and YFC with numerous photos donated by villagers.

Contact jbawler1947@hotmail.co.uk for further details.

Repair cafes provide a key role in preventing social isolation especially amongst the older, harder to reach parts of our population. They provide a way for local businesses to promote their work, many of the repairers volunteer their time in addition to having a day job in repair or an associated sector. It provides a role and a purpose for some inactive retired people, who enjoy the social interaction but also the opportunity to keep their hands and minds active.

A repair café will support the financially disadvantaged within their community as all repairs are untaken on a donation basis, so this means no one is excluded on grounds of affordability and during lockdown where the demand for IT equipment was at its peak due to the need to home-school and keep in contact with family and friends, the repair cafes provided a valuable service.

Catherine Causley, Re Use Project Officer Waste Management Devon County Council



s many of you know, the Blackdown Healthy Living & Activity Centre has been closed to the public for the majority A of the pandemic. We are very hopeful that all legal limits on social contact will be removed on the 21st June and we can start to resume many of our classes and services.

We are launching our Blackdown Community Shed in July. The Blackdown Shed is all about friendship, camaraderie and fun. It's somewhere to learn new skills and to undertake projects which benefit both members and the local community. Please come along to our Open Weekend on Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th July from 10am - 3pm and chat to our friendly 'Shedders' over a cuppa and find out how you can get involved. You will find us at the Garages.

We are planning to re-open CAMEO and Brightside in September but we hope to have some open mornings beforehand in August, to welcome our members back for tea and cake!

Ruth Bell (Massage), Sue Moore (Chiropractor), Martha Price (Osteopath) and Rachel Ridler (Massage) are seeing patients so please contact them directly if you would like to book appointments.

Keep an eye on our website www.bhlac.org.uk and our Facebook page for further information on when classes and services will resume.

Peta Dayus-Jones Centre Manager

Poets Corner

The Old Rose

The old rose, Was there 'fore mother; Was always old, She says; Climbing to the eaves, a pillar, Twenty feet of rose pink blossoms, Scent of summer coming wafting Seeping in the cottage windows, Shedding tears of morning dew drops, And pretty petals upon the Garden grass, As the flowers fade and die; The old rose goes on climbing, More summers to flower and scent, Are coming yet, As the old rose goes on living.

David Palmer



Open Weekend Sat 3rd & Sun 4th July 2021

10am – 3pm

Chat to our friendly 'Shedders' over a cuppa, find out what we're all about and tell us what you would like to get out of the Blackdown Community Shed.

Find us at

The Garages, Hemyock, EX15 3SH

Hemvock WI

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🗖 adly, Hemyock WI is closing! There are a number of reasons for this and a lack of social contact and an increase in subscription rates are just two of them.

I would like to thank all members past and present for their support and company over the years. We have had enjoyable and educational times but most of all, we've had good fun and that is what I will miss most.

We are planning our last get together in July but in the meantime I hope everyone will stay safe and happy and enjoy the many other opportunities available in Hemyock. Lynn Taylor

1 1 1 . 1 Thank you to Catherine Willcocks for the last 4 years as Head Teacher of Hemyock Primary School. We hope you have an excellent end of term ahead. On behalf of the Families. Staff and PTFA, we can't thank you enough for supporting this lovely Primary School.

Best of luck in your new role ahead at Rydon Primary School in Kingsteignton

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Blackdown Hills Repair Café - Space Needed!

T am seeking to find a premises within Hemyock, for the purpose of running a charitable operation, namely The Blackdown Hills Repair Café, to include both a Repair Café Workshop and a Tool Share / Library of Things and an UpCycling Facility.

By way of background, you may already be aware of the success of the Blackdown Hills Repair Café (operated by the Blackdown Hills Transition Group at Hemyock Parish Hall) from its inception in March 2018 until circumstances forced its closure in March 2020 due to the Covid pandemic. In that period, 1273 items were repaired by volunteer repairers (of which 538 were from Hemyock), preventing an estimated 2100 kilograms from ending up in landfill, and culminating in our participation in the National Big Fix (coordinated by the Waste and Recycling, Re Use Project Officer at Devon County Council) when our volunteer repairers alone repaired 363 items (89 from Hemyock). Voluntary donations received over this whole period allowed the BHTG to allocate grants of £250 each to 8 other voluntary groups in the Blackdown Hills.

In June 2020, with the backing of our insurers - the Community Action Group (CAG) Devon - with whom we produced a bespoke Risk Assessment document allowing for work to be carried out in individual workshops, I began running a BH Repair Service covering the whole community from my home in Blagdon Hill. Clients would bring their items to my Hub which, after sanitisation and completion of paperwork, I would then transport to and from the various volunteer repairers (involving 16 of a total of 55 volunteer repairs we have on our books). Once I received the repaired items back at my premises, I would inform the clients for collection. We continued this service, when allowed, up until almost the end of December 2020, during which time 285 items were repaired, of which 61 came from Hemyock. We were able to resume our service on 8 March, and to date have carried out 181 repairs, (plus many multiple repair requests) many of which had banked up during the recent lockdown.

You might be interested to know that repair requests have come from as far afield as Chard, Honiton, Willand, Uffculme, Cullompton, Taunton, Trull, Corfe, Wellington, Hatch Beauchamp, Buckland St Mary, Bishopswood, Churchinford, Smeatharpe, Dunkeswell, Sheldon, Blagdon Hill, Clayhidon, Culmstock and of course Hemyock, all of which are testament to the fact that such a service is not only increasingly welcome but also in great demand. Such a service, augmented by a Tool Share / Library of Things (perhaps even a Re-purposing service as well) would certainly help to ensure Hemyock's reputation as a leader in this area.

To clarify, the Tool Share / Library of Things would be a facility where tools and other items would be available for hire at little cost or by donation, thus preventing people from having to buy items which are rarely used. Items such as: carpet cleaners, hammer drills, impact drivers, leaf blowers, strimmers, chop saws, etc. Several of the above items are already available, having been promised or donated by people and the library would be built up over time via requests and donations. With the Repair Café facility on hand, we would always be able to ensure that items were in perfect working order each time they were hired out, with PAT testing available where appropriate.

Some of the guest speakers I remember are George Alagiah, Jilly Cooper and Jermaine Greer. Federation Meetings at Torquay, Exeter, Barnstaple and Plymouth have provided many interesting days out. Denman College is closing but I have been lucky and made several visits, managing to gain a certificate in Patchwork after instruction there. I have also learnt (but now forgotten) how to make Buckingham Lace and made a couple of visits doing Book-Binding.

WI encourages the competitive spirit and this I enjoyed, even if I was only providing props for the staging at times! I will miss Hemyock WI but for me, I still remain a WI Member. Brenda Calcraft

In order to realise this vision, we are looking to secure premises in Hemyock of around 10 metres by 10 meters. (A large double sized Garage area). This could be one larger unit or two adjoining but as a charitable organisation, offering a benefit to the local community, we would be requesting a minimal rental, whilst also looking towards either some grant funding or local sponsorship, from the Hemyock Parish and District and County Councils and possible Local Businesses.

I trust I have provided sufficient information for you to give this request your favourable consideration but should you need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me either by email or on: 07715 460 783.

Kind regards,

- Stephan Lehner
- Coordinator of the Blackdown Hills Repair Café

A Life in WI

im sure a lot of people will be disappointed to hear that Hemyock WI is suspended once again. However, it just needs a L few keen ladies to get it going again. Covid has not helped the situation, but a WI needs a President, a Secretary and a Treasurer and all who held these positions ,had done so for many years and it is time for a rest.

I personally will miss the local WI but I do belong to a Somerset one and will probably join another Devon one. I have been a WI member for most of my life. I even have a telegram from my fellow members when I got married in 1960. I have belonged to several WI's but I always attended my local one. I have enjoyed going to AGMs and remember going to the Royal Albert Hall several times. I have also been to Sheffield, Leeds, Liverpool, Cardiff, Birmingham and Brighton. These Meetings have been attended by many interesting guests, not least our Queen and Tony Blair. Yes, I was there when the slow hand-clap happened but it only lasted a few minutes and stopped when the National Chairman said 'Ladies, manners, please' and the clapping stopped instantly. That was at Wembley.

Around Hemyock

ith sunlight being with us over the summer months it is also encouraging to see the light at the end of the pandemic tunnel. You may know the acronym TEAM – Together Each Achieves More – and that it what the past months have felt like as individuals and organisations have worked together and supported each other during a difficult time showing what a caring parish Hemyock is and always has been.

Last year around this time I remember saying how good it was to see cricket recommencing in the Recreation Field and so it is this year although perhaps the team and supporters would have wished for a day not quite so wet and breezy! Meanwhile our **football** team having had a run of bad luck have suddenly found a winning streak – great news. It has been disappointing to hear that the Police have had reported to them damage caused to the team's equipment at Longmead.

Thinking of all the business, groups and organisations starting up again I wonder if you have been asked to sign the petition for a skateboard park. It seems there are a number of areas who have heard nothing about it.

The last Pump mentioned the hope that our **monthly** market held at the Parish Hall will reopen in September when it will celebrate its 40th year. What an asset it has been to the village as has the Charity Shop which meets at the Church Room. We also read that there would be no show by Valley Arts whilst the Singers concert and dinner will no doubt depend on if singing can restart in time for rehearsals to take place. Hopefully St Mary's fete will go ahead details elsewhere in the Pump - and thanks to the PTFA the Hemyock Bear Hunt has again taken place.

admired him greatly"

At the corner of the Recreation Field between South View and Eastlands is a **flowering cherry tree**. There is no plaque by it but I wonder if anyone can remember why it was planted. I seem to remember a past Guide leader mentioning it was planted by the group to commemorate the coronation of HM The Queen. Can any older resident who would have been living here around that time confirm or shed any light on it?

Saddened by the death of HRH Prince Philip a Service of Thanksgiving for his life and work was held at the Parish Church when Hemyock was joined by Culmstock residents and the service led by Rev John Stone. At the same time the Rector led the service at Clayhidon.

Air Vice Marshall Don Attlee, Charles (Charlie) Burston and Marjorie Kennedy are three of our residents who have passed away recently. Love and condolences and are sent to their loved ones. The following has been received for publication.

Our father, Don Attlee. died on 28th April, aged 98, only a few months after our mother, Jane. As a couple they lived in, I think around 25 different homes, but Culmstock, then Hemyock, had been home since 1977.

Don, who was the nephew of Prime Minister Clement Attlee, joined the RAF in 1942 and trained as a pilot in Canada where he then stayed for the duration of the war as an Instructor. He had a 35 year career in the RAF and retired in 1977 with the rank of Air Vice-Marshal. He commanded the Queens Flight from 1961 to 1964 and did several tours with the Queen and Prince Philip. We reminisced, at the time of Prince Philips death, on this time and he re-called that the Prince would frequently take control of the aircraft - 'never when the Queen was on board' and that he was an excellent pilot and he admired him greatly. His retirement co-incided with the Queens Silver Jubilee celebrations and he was so pleased that his last day in uniform was at the Queens Silver Jubilee Review of the RAF which he organised to great acclaim and with many members of the Royal Family present. He was appointed both an LVO and a CB in Honours Lists.

He then retired with my mother to Jerwoods Fruit Farm in Culmstock. "...he re-called that the Prince An entirely new life which they both would frequently take control greatly enjoyed. While my mother was of the aircraft - 'never when the so involved in local Flower Clubs & Queen was on board' and that Church, my father became an active he was an excellent pilot and he member of the Parish Council for a great number of years and he was elected member of Mid Devon District Council from 1982 to 2003, becoming

> Chair from 1989 to 1991. He was also appointed a Deputy Lieutenant of Devon and had the pleasure of continuing his connections with the Royal Family accompanying Princess Diana when she visited the area. My parents moved to Hemyock in 2006 which was the setting for many happy family gatherings over the years with their three children my brother Charles, my sister Carolyn and myself - and their ten grandchildren and four great grandchildren, with two further great grandchildren due later this year. A long life well - and happily - lived.

Charles Burston, known to everyone as Charlie was born on 3 October 1930 at Clayhidon and never lost his boyish sense of fun and stories he often told sum up his happy childhood. His family write Charlie attended Clayhidon School where the Headmistress, Miss Haytor, let him skip a lot of classes so that he could tend her vegetable garden!

He left school at 14 to work as a mechanic & driver at Wides Garage in Hemyock. It was at Wides that he got to know Dorothy & Ray Hutchings who were to become life-long friends.

Charlie bought his first car, a Ford Prefect in 1948 when he turned 18 and during his lifetime he owned no less than 33 cars. Cars, lorries, buses & motorbikes were a constant theme throughout his life. He had some great times travelling around the country to attend motorbike scrambling events and was a regular at the stock car races at Smeatharpe. Charlie loved his driving trips around the country & Europe and particularly enjoyed driving to Dog Shows at the NEC in Birmingham and to Stock Car Races with the Kevin Stack Supporters Club.

He was chauffeur at lots of family weddings & latterly ran his own informal version of the Blackdown Support Group, ferrying various elderly or non-driving villagers to hospital appointments or the shops.

Of course, many people will probably best remember Charlie for his many years of service at Redwoods Coaches in Hemyock where he was an extremely popular driver.

His time at Wides had been interrupted by 2 years of National Service with the RAF where he worked as a ground crew engineer, mainly on Wellington bombers.

He really enjoyed his short spell in the RAF, but the part of his working career that meant the most to him was undoubtedly his time at Redwoods. He was proud of the part he played in the growth & success of Hemyock's prominent local business & employer.

He had huge respect for the Redwood family and we know that was totally reciprocated. Brian wouldn't reckon to buy a used coach or minibus without Charlie's seal of approval - a bit like some of us with our cars - an AA or RAC check was much less vigorous than a "Charlie Burston vehicle inspection"!

Some of our earliest memories of Charlie are of visiting him at the house in Churchills where he helped take care of our Grandad and our Auntie Win for several years.

Charlie's friendship with Sinclair Lowman & Fred Perrott was immense. I've heard them referred to affectionately as Hemyock's answer to "Foggy, Compo & Clegg" and those of you who know them will know how well that sums them up!

Charlie was always busy trying to help his friends & neighbours, nothing ever got him down for very long and he was resourceful and funny and he made us all smile.

He carried his boyish, cheeky sense of fun & humour right through his life, right up to the end at Ashdowne Care Home in Tiverton. The staff there did an amazing job in looking after him and it was a huge comfort to us to see the great rapport he had with them. Our thanks also go to his neighbours and the care team that had previously helped him at home as his illness progressed and slowed down his independence.

With the possible exception of cars, Charlie simply wasn't bothered about money or possessions. What he cared about were people and friendships and he invested his time & energy in us - his friends, neighbours & family. One of the tributes paid sums him up: "You couldn't have met a nicer chap"

Charlie had something very valuable - the love, respect & admiration of just about everyone he ever met and knew. His family and friends will miss him immensely but he has left us a great legacy - a real example of how to live well. Marjorie Kennedy, mother of Gillian Hawkes and Greg Kennedy was a grandmother of 7 and great grandmother of nine.

After living alone in Carmarthen Marjorie moved to Hemyock to live with Gillian and family following a fall and a prolonged stay in hospital. She remained well until early this year, when she was overcome by sepsis and old age. Marjorie passed away on April 27th.

Wood

Many will remember Olive Goodman. A member of St Marys church Olive was also involved with many village organisations before moving to Berkshire to be nearer family. In recent days it has been confirmed that Olive passed away during the summer.

From the very early days of the Parish Pump it was hoped this page would include items of interest parishioners would like to share with others so please email any news you have be it the birth of a child, a special anniversary, an achievement to celebrate or simply a joy or sadness you would like to be included. Whilst most of us have internet connection there are those who don't so including news in the Pump is helpful.

David recently came across an issue from 2009 mentioning some events here that summer - the Red Devils in a cloud of orange smoke parachuted into the Rec at the Church Fete which had been opened by Tony Beard, the Wag from Widdecombe of Devon Radio, The Salamanca Band and Bugles of The Rifles gave a concert at St Mary's after which the two children and others who attended said it had been fantastic and not long enough.

Visiting from Uganda Bishop Cramner and his wife Hope along with the then Exeter Archdeacon Penny Driver attended a service at the parish church; Bishop Bob Evens of Crediton visited and held a Confirmation service whilst Mid Devon District Councils annual service took place at St Marys followed by a cream tea at the Parish Hall.

On a sweltering hot day people from the area took part in the Exeter 1100 Celebratory Day attended by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Holiday Club celebrated its 40th year (it began the same year as man landed on the moon!), a number of local youngsters joined around 600 others for a weekend at Huish Woods and there were very informative reports from both the school and pre school.

For a village once called "sleepy" quite a busy, hugely enjoyable time which whilst not happening this year maybe something to look forward to in 2022.

Please keep in touch with your news, enjoy the summer and stay safe.

The family are very grateful for all the help received from the Community Nurses, Blackdown Support Group and Doctors at the Blackdown Practice, as well as Sue Rice and Denise

As always we send get well wishes to all those who are unwell, say a fond farewell to those moving on to pastures new and extend a warm welcome to those who have moved here.

> Ianice Ibawler1947@hotmail.co.uk

What's On June / July 2021

June

07	Short mat Bowls to continue, Parish Hall, 10-12md
08	Tuesday Group
09	Empty Spaces, BHLAC, 2 - 4 pm
10	Short mat Bowls to continue, Parish Hall, 2 - 4 pm
11	G7 Summit, Cornwall, first day
11	Empty Spaces, 10 – 12md, 16, Castle Park
12	Cullompton + Dunkeswell Farmers' Markets
12	Mobile Library, outside Hemyock Parish Hall
19	"Tea in the Garden", Tedburrow Farm, 2-5pm
	for Culm Davy Chapel + BSG
21	Longest Day.
RESTRI	CTIONS ALL CLEAR (We hope!)
24	Mobile Library
26	Coffee Morning, 10 -12 for Devon Air Ambulance,
	1 Pencross View

Honiton Show, Gittisham, Honiton

Uffculme Show & Country Fayre

Heritage Sunday, exhibition and

Cameo and Brightside will start again

Local Schools Term begin

Bank Holiday

this month.

teas at St. Mary's.

26 Cullompton F.Market

July

09 Empty Spaces, 10 – 12 md, BHLAC

- 10 ST MARY'S, SUMMER FETE, 2 pm, Churchyard
- 10 Cullompton + Dunkeswell Farmers' Market
- Mobile Library, outside Hemyock Parish Hall 10
- Parish Pump, Deadline 14
- Empty Spaces, 2 4 pm, BHLAC 14
- 22 Mobile Library
- 24 Repair Café 10 - 12.30 Parish Hall MID DEVON SHOW, Knightshayes
- Cullompton F. Market 24
- 27 Local schools Term ends?
- 31 Cullompton F. Market

BSG are hoping to run their Lunch Clubs in:-Hemyock, July 7, Parish Hall, 12-2pm Rosemary Lane Chapel, July 14, 12.30 pm

The Blackdown Hills Repair Café is still continuing providing a Repair Service for the Whole Community of the Blackdown Hills and beyond from Stephan's home as a hub in Blagdon Hill, together Now also Starting to Offer a Tool Share (Library of Things) Facility both for only Donations.

While maintaining this Repair Service and Tool Share Facility we hopefully aim to commence holding the Blackdown Hills Repair Café's once again from Hemyock Parish Hall as from 24th July 2021.

If you wish to give people an early notice of your events by getting it in the "Forthcoming Events, please notify Sue Lambert, 680664 or at her email address - sueliz.lambert30@ gmail.com by the "Parish Pump" deadline date. (This may stop too many clashes of dates!) Parish Pump Deadline August - September issue: 14th July Editor: James Winrow pump@lickham.co.uk 07763 855414 **Commercial advertising:** pump-adverts@lickham.co.uk Distribution: Mike Travers 01823 681398.

Calling all Hemyock Farmers

Calf Club Research Update

n annual June census of crops and livestock has been carried out on farms since 1866. The figures are recorded **L** by parish and provide an insight into what farms were like in Hemyock and how they changed over many years.

These are Hemyock's details of cattle, sheep and pigs on a farmed area of about 5,100 acres (2,100 ha) in June 1921, the vear when the first calves were distributed to the nineteen youngsters who started the Calf Club.

Milking cows	Cows in calf	Heifers in calf	Bulls	Cattle over 2 years	Cattle 1 - 2 years	Cattle under 1 year	То
625	71	94	22	134	268	393	16

Ewes	Rams	Sheep over 1 year	Sheep under 1 year	Total sheep
254	13	122	360	749

Breeding	Boars	Other	Total
SOWS		pigs	pigs
74	2	620	696

There were also 161 horses used for farm work.

Other data indicate that most milking herds were of twenty cows or less, the most common size being twelve. This was at a time when the cows were hand-milked with farmers and their families being an important source of labour. The predominant breed was the Devon (Red Ruby) and its crosses; it was then a dual purpose breed, being used for both milk and meat, in contrast to the specialist breeds of today.

I would be absolutely fascinated to hear from farmers in Hemyock parish about their livestock numbers now, to

Opening Times

Hemyock Surgery

Mon – Fri	08:30 - 18:00 - Please note the d
Sat	08:00 – 11:00

Churchinford Surgery

Mon, Tue & Thu	08:30 – 12
Wed & Fri	08:30 – 12
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I can be contacted at hemyockcalfclub@gmail.com or (01823) 680595.

The Calf Club committee is meeting again and still planning a celebration of the centenary.

Penny Lawrence

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Hemyock Tennis Club

ow nice to be able to be back playing tennis again! There seems to be no shortage of warnings of bad Covid news to come, but apart from individually observing what are now routine precautions to our daily lives, there is little we can do, so to focus on the positive: organised social play is seeing healthy attendances, we are making plans for social events, League and friendly tennis matches are underway, group coaching has been taking place on Friday mornings, and the junior coaching sessions are over subscribed with Dan Sizer operating a waiting list! Check out our website for up to date details of events. (details below).

As previously mentioned, there is a need to satisfy 'track & trace' requirements, so we'd like the court booking system to always be used, and for organised social play and competition, we'll maintain records of attendees. The club will also make sure that everyone is aware of their responsibility to make playing tennis as safe as possible.

For those interested in League tennis matches, the West Somerset League (WSL) have just issued the fixture list, so please get your name down with Malcolm Steer (or any committee member). Julie Steed arranged a friendly match with Upottery on May 5th. Upottery ran out winners this time, but we'll be keen to turn the tables at the next meeting. If you'd like to play, then make sure you get your name down.

There is some space available for group coaching sessions on Friday mornings (10 am -11am). It's mixed abilities and a good way to get back into tennis if you've not held the racket for a while, or are a bit rusty, but it's also useful for improving tactical awareness and technique. Of course, our coach, Dan Sizer is also available for one to one coaching (details below and on the club website). We hope to run a number of events this season. 'Strawberries & Champagne' is arranged for July 4th - the middle Wimbledon weekend, so we'd love to see you there! Contact Julie Steed or any committee member to get your name down to take part, or to just enjoy the strawberries and bubbly. We'd also like to run the 'Mince Pies & Mulled Wine' event if possible, later in the year. We look forward to making announcements soon. We also hope to hold our AGM this year, and will announce this as soon as things can be arranged. Here's hoping for good weather for a great season of tennis.

Bob Hawkes (Chairman)

bob.hawkes18@btinternet.com

07540 435149. Email us at hemyocktennisclub@outlook.com Visit our website - clubspark.lta.org.uk/Hemyocktennisclub Coaching - Dan Sizer dan@dsctenniscoaching.co.uk or 07951 828760.



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Hemyock Scout Group will receive a donation for ever purchase made

Visit www.suttons.co.uk to have a look at the range of items available!

To find out more information about Hemyock Scout Group visit their website hemyock.scoutsites.org.uk



Letter to Clubs from the Parish Pump

I am responsible for the "What's On" and "Forthcoming Events" in the Parish Pump.

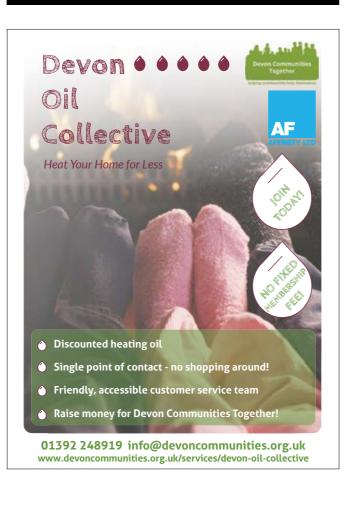
When I put in what's happening into the "What's On" I go by the regular times that you've told me. There are occasions when I guess you may not be meeting at the usual time (Bank holidays, Christmas, New Year etc), but I don't know what your plans are, so I have to put the usual times in. This means, of course, that sometimes things are NOT correct.

I would be grateful if you could give me any information that will affect the details in the Parish Pump by the deadline. It does mean looking 2 months ahead which is not always easy! I hope this will give the village a more accurate and up-to-date Parish Pump magazine.

Sue Lambert, tel. 01823 680664, sueliz.lambert30@gmail.com.

Editor, James Winrow, pump@lickam.co.uk

Note from the Editor: If you have an event you want listed in the "What's On" calendar section of the magazine, please also notify Sue using the details above. Don't assume it will be done automatically if you submit an advert, copy or poster to me.



1st Hemyock Scout Group



Tell! It looks like we are all on the way to a better life with vaccinations forging ahead at a pace and the dreaded Covid in retreat. Scouting is under way again. All sections

are meeting again under the relevant Covid restrictions which still apply. HQ has been very good at advising us what to do.

So, next time I will be able to tell you what all the sections have been up to and what they have planned. In the meantime a little bit about what goes on in the background. Our rules state that we must hold an AGM every year. This is usually in April after the St Georges Day Parade and Service. Alas for last year and again this we have had to zoom. However I can give you an idea of what occurred with a raft of reports from many people. So here goes.

Acting GSL, District Commissioner Andy Ellis. An interesting twelve months he says. (Rikki says, what an understatement!) He is pleased that all sections are coming back to life. We have a new GSL, new SL and the future is good. He is looking forward as DC to making award to our young people such as young leaders belt, Gold Dof E and Queens scout awards. I know Hemyock will not disappoint him.

New GSL Rob Walster. He says thanks to all leaders for keeping going during the pandemic. We have a great leader team (their reports will follow) who are pleased to be moving again. He also says not to forget all the assistants, helpers, group exec and parents without whom we could not function. He is now two months into GSL role and is getting on top of paperwork, leader training and DBS checks. He is pleased that we have over 100 members with a third being young ladies. Great for diversity. We have a number of young people with special needs and we support them in the activities that we plan. Scouting is open to all. We still have a waiting list alas, which maybe due to our very successful outdoor programmes for which 1st Hemyock is famous (and has been for over sixty years-Rikki). He finishes his report with- the future looks good!

Beavers, Amie Seaforth. The Beavers returned to fave to face meetings on 21st April. Guess what? Are they happy to be back. Meetings are planned with lots of activities and badgework. Currently have fourteen members, with seven having moved up to cubs where they are having fun.

Cubs, Akela Julie, who is also Tiverton District Training Co ordinator. She reports a bit of a stop start year during 2020 but thanks whoever started zoom. It was so important during the various periods of lockdown. The pack was divided into two sections for zooming which worked very well. Now working on programmes for the summer months, outdoors, outdoors, outdoors.

Troop Tristram Full. A note from Rikki, Tristram was an assistant with cubs but has moved up to the vacant position of Scout Leader. Well done to him. Tristram was an excellent scout many years ago when Rikki was an active leader, I know he will do well, another of our home grown leaders. He says that the troop started last year well with many and varied activities which were curtailed in March. Zoom meetings kept the section going. Now moving on to summer programmes with some 25 members attending.

Explorers Matt Atyeo. Reports a good restart and activities planned. Alas no St George Parade, so they marched to Wellington Monument with the flag of St George. Excellent. He has eleven Explorers eager to get going again.

Network George Hodges They have eleven members who have kept going with zoom meetings but now planning for the outdoors with a camp in September.

Group Chair Karen Pinder. She says, a difficult twelve months and thank goodness for zoom and facebook. The present 1st Hemyock achieved sixty years in 2020 but alas no celebration due to the circumstances. She is hopeful that a belated celebration can be held this year. A sad note, Andy Batten has decided to step down from scouting having been Sl and GSL for many years. She adds that we hope to see him from time to time as a helper. (Rikki agrees and hopes they he will be able to assist with the Danish camp next year- he has a wealth of knowledge. He wont thank me for this but I will add a bit of a resume of his scouting life next time.) She ends with thanks to every one involved with 1st Hemyock and looks forward to more and more success.

News from HQ. Attracting and motivating volunteers, this will be the big focus for 2021 and most important giving existing volunteers the credit and encouragement they deserve. This was also emphasised by our new Deputy County Commissioner Ian Pitchford who has just taken on this role. 1st Hemyock wish him well.

There we are a little bit of what goes on behind those wonderful muddy evenings up at Great Falls and other places covered in smoke and cooking sausages. Rikki remembers it fondly!

And finally from Baden Powell our Founder. His last Camp fire yarn no 28. He reminds us that scouting is worldwide and involves many nations and creeds which hopefully brings us together. The final paragraph goes as follows. Scouting is a fine game if we put our backs in it and tackle it well. As with other games we will find we gain strength of body and mind from the playing. But remember! It is a game for the open air, so whenever the opportunity occurs get into the open and good luck and good camping go with you.

Nothing more to say. 1st Hemyock is following his lead.

Tell you more of what we are doing outdoors next time.

Old Rikki

Leaving Uffculme School? Going on with Education?

The Mary Waldron Trust may be able to assist you financially in vocational and further education (including Richard Huish College) with purchases of books and equipment, including computer requisites. Those applying should normally be resident in Hemyock or Clayhidon and must have received full time education at one or more of:

Hemyock Primary School

Uffculme School

Applications from students (not their parents) are welcome. Actual receipts for purchases made must be provided in due course. More details and an Application Form can be obtained from the Secretary.

Rev Ron White, 10 Hollingarth Way, Hemyock, EX15 3XB Phone 681020 email revron@btinternet.com

Dear Residents

🗖 irst I need to thank everyone who voted, whether they voted for me or anyone else, I was very pleased with the turn out and that I had a comfortable win I do thank all the other contenders for their efforts, this is what democracy is about, vote for your beliefs. Also I would say thank you to those contenders, it was done without malice. I am here to represent everyone, even the members of the public who did not vote.

As we were in purdah, as members, we are restricted in what we do, therefore there has been little business from our point of view, not much to report on, once the new council is in place, we will be able to pick up and go.

The Conservatives have kept control of Devon County Council for an historic fourth term and have pledged to do everything they can to drive the county's economic recovery. The party won 39 of the 60 seats that were up for election on Thursday. The Liberal Democrats took nine, Labour seven, Independents three and Greens two. Now we have to forget all that and all work together for the benefit of the residents of Devon.

I can't give much information to you yet, because we will be going through formulating the committees, we do not know which committees we will serve on yet, therefore, we will have to wait another month for anything meaningful to report. We can request what committees we serve on, but that will depend on numbers of requests.

Councils have always worked together on behalf of residents to provide the public services that we all rely on. Never more so than during the coronavirus pandemic has the value of working together, and seeing what can be achieved together, been so clear. I would like to thank all of the Team Devon partners for their part in supporting people through these extraordinary times.

Local councils have been at the heart of the response to coronavirus, and they remain central to our recovery from it.

Town and Parish Councils in particular already take much responsibility for local life, and have stepped up again to prove their value.

We have a lot to do over the next four years, to rebuild our local economy as we come out of the pandemic, and to continue - with speed - the work we are already doing to cut carbon emissions in our county. Team Devon is part of that, and with our Town and Parish and District Council partners, we will work together for the people of Devon.

As always, I am here to help, if you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Ray Radford Devon County Councillor Willand & Uffculme Division Email: ray.radford@devon.gov.uk

Longmead

The Pavilion is an ideal venue for smaller events needing outdoor space, birthday parties, christenings, family gatherings and of course meetings.

The building has a large screen tv and there are basic kitchen facilities for your use. The MUGA (Multi Use Games Area) is also available for hire, why not combine the two and have a football party? Its ideal for 5 aside football, netball, hockey, we also have basketball hoops for use, is anyone interested in starting up a new club?

Hire charges

Pavilion - £7.50 per hour MUGA - £15.00 per hour

If you wish to book any of these facilities or would like some more information please contact Karen 01823 681034 or email kazapinder@hotmail.com.

Longmead Management Meeting

The Longmead Management Group will hold its Annual General Meeting on Monday 7th June at 7pm. This will be followed by the usual quarterly meeting. As the group will be unable to meet in person the meeting will be held online. If you wish to join the meeting please email the secretary: Tracy Leaman - the.leamans@sky.com.

Hemyock Parish Hall Management **Committee (HPHMC)**

e hope that as restrictions gradually ease, societies and clubs will progressively gain confidence and we can once more welcome groups and parties into the hall.

The Short Mat Bowls group are soon to resume twice weekly meetings, and it is anticipated that the Saturday Market may also resume towards the end of the summer.

The childrens play area has been locked off recently, not only because of Covid restrictions, but also because maintenance is necessary on some of the play equipment. We thank you for your patience and understanding, and hope to have this area open again as soon as repairs and renovations can be made.

Due to the pandemic, no AGM was held in 2020. However, the committee recently decided dates for the next meeting and AGM to take place, and details will be circulated shortly. We have recently updated our website, and ask that before booking the hall or checking availability, please ensure you have the correct number. Jean Dyke retired as booking secretary in 2020, and you will need to contact Sharon (details below), or out of office hours, please contact me.

Bob Hawkes

Hall Bookings - Sharon Mitchell 01823 680517 (Mon - Fri, office hours). Secretary - Bob Hawkes 01823 680047

Hemyock Parish Council

Business Update, June 2021

The parish council continued to meet remotely via Zoom. On 5th May it held the Annual Parish Meeting and at the end of this report is a summary of the year from last year's chairman, Tim Barton.

Legislation enabling parish councils to meet remotely expired on 6th May. This means that from 7th May onwards parish council meetings must be held face-to-face. The pc intends to hold its first face-to-face meeting on Wednesday 7th July at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.

A brief summary of the business conducted at recent meetings is as follows:-

Election of Chairman & Vice-Chairman

Paul Doble was elected as Chairman and Sean Ritchie elected as Vice-Chairman at the Annual Meeting of the parish council held in May.

Planning

- Applications received for:-
- 21/00365/Full. Downmead, Culmstock Road. Erection of a holiday let.
- 20/01868/HOUSE. The Hay Barn, Castle Hill. Revised
- drawings for erection of single-storey rear extension.
- 20/01869/HOUSE. The Old Stables, Castle Hill. Revised drawings, erection of two-storey rear extension.
- 21/00564/HOUSE. Meadowcroft, Station Road. Raising of roof to create first floor to bungalow and erection of single-storey extension to rear.
- 21/00464/FULL. North of Lickham Bottom. Change of use of land from agriculture to camping site (4 pitches).
- 21/00722/HOUSE. 20 Station Road, Hemyock. Erection of a replacement porch, alterations to existing vehicular and pedestrian access, replacement of fence by increasing the height of boundary wall.
- 21/00430/HOUSE. 13 Redwood Close, Hemyock. Erection of a single-storey side extension.
- 21/00779/HOUSE. 8 Tedders Close, Hemyock. Erection of a single-storey rear extension following demolition of existing conservatory.

Permission granted noted for:-

- 20/01786/NMA. Culmstock Road. Non-material amendment to allow substitution of plan re off-site highways works. • 21/00006/HOUSE. Churchills Barn, Hemyock. Erection of two-storey rear extension.
- 21/00195/HOUSE. Studleys, Ashculme, Hemyock. Conversion
- of existing outbuilding (revised scheme and additional plans). • 21/00195/HOUSE. Studleys, Hemyock. Variation of condition
- 2 and 3 to allow revised and additional plans. • 21/00497/NMA. Non-material amendment to alter a
- ground floor window on rear elevation to a French door. 13 Hollingarth Way, Hemyock.
- 21/00252/FULL. Collard Hill Farm. Erection of an agricultural worker's dwelling.

Application refused noted for:-

• 20/01868/HOUSE. Erection of a single-storey rear extension. The Hay Barn, Castle Hill.

A meeting has been arranged in early July with representatives from the Hemyock Skatepark team. It is hoped that the pc can work with this team to provide a location and support for a skatepark in the village.

Community Land As part of the development adjacent to the cemetery, the parish council will be offered just over 7 acres of community land. The parish council has formed a working group to look at how this land might be used. It will update the parish via the Pump, website and social media.

Hedges Many comments have been made to the council about hedges in and around the parish encroaching on to roads. Residents are politely asked to ensure their hedges are kept trimmed. Whilst there are some restrictions on when hedges may be cut, if there are road safety concerns then under these circumstances those restrictions do not apply.

Devon County Council's telephone number for members of the public to report any lights that are not working, pot holes, blocked drains/gulleys and any other road maintenance issues is 0345 155 1004. Lines are open 8am to 8pm Monday to Friday and 9am to 1pm Saturday. Or report the problem online at www.new.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-aproblem

Police

101 - The non-emergency number for Devon and Cornwall Police Textphone 18001 101 for the deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired. Always call 999 in an emergency.

• 20/01869/HOUSE. Erection of a two-storey rear extension. The Old Stables, Castle Hill.

Finance

Income - included interest, cemetery, precept, 106 grant, wayleave, VAT reclaim and rent. Expenditure - included clerk's pay and expenses, grass cutting, footpaths, village maintenance, toilet cleaning and consumables, electricity, rates, subscriptions, legal fees, IT, asset maintenance, and grants paid out to Longmead Environmental Area.

Longmead

Following the removal of the footbridge at the northern end of the football field it became clear it was too rotten to be refurbished. The pc is considering replacing it with a metal bridge and are awaiting quotations. Members of the public are asked to continue to walk around the edge of the football pitches until a new bridge is fitted.

A new lidded bin at the play area will be installed shortly which will prevent litter from being blown out of the bin.

Anti-Social Behaviour - several incidents of vandalism/antisocial behaviour have been reported to the pc. The police have asked that parishioners report any such incidents as they happen by ringing 101.

The pc has agreed to resurface the existing trim trail around the football fields. It is hoped that a new concrete surface will make the areas more easily accessible.

Highways

Finally

If you would like to get involved or wish to know what is happening around the parish then please come along to one of the council meetings, normally held on the first Wednesday of the month in the Forbes Lounge, Parish Hall. (the next meeting is Wednesday 7th July at 7.30pm) Minutes and agenda are displayed on the web at www.hemyock.org/parishcouncil.

Summary of Parish Council Activities 2020-2021 - by Tim Barton

Each year we usually hold an Annual Parish Meeting in the Parish Hall for Hemyock parishioners to receive from the Parish Council an update on activities over the previous 12 months. We are unable to host such an event again this year needing, instead, to communicate through a Zoom meeting held on the 4th May and printed below. Firstly, an introduction to the Parish Council team:

Tim Barton, Chairman Sean Ritchie Lance Povah Alex Russell Paul Doble, Deputy Chair Jo Fouracre Nick Moon Donna Evans, Clerk Simon Clist Penny Lawrence Roy Calcraft

General

As you probably know already, all the councillors are unpaid volunteers and were elected onto the Council in May 2019. The Parish Council (PC) have held online meetings every month during the restrictions, only missing one in April 2020.

We have formally commented on over 30 planning applications to Mid Devon District Council (MDDC) Planning Authority, including suggestions for the Cavanna development of 40 houses on Culmstock Road (now included by Cavanna in their final plans). We have also started legal arrangements to take over from Cavanna the public open space land associated with the development. We responded to the Public Spaces Protection Order to deny dogs from children's play areas and to ensure that they must be kept on leads in some public open spaces. The Parish Council pages of the village website (Hemyock.org/parishcouncil) have been updated to improve accessibility and ease of navigation.

General maintenance around the village has continued and the public loos, the only ones in the Blackdown Hills and appreciated by many delivery drivers, have been kept open and clean throughout. Additional bins and dog poo bag dispensers have been provided and grit bins were distributed around the village during the winter months. We lobbied Devon Highways to mend the roads at Ashculme (completed) and Castle Park (underway), improve drainage at Lydensign on Cornhill and reported potholes and other problems.

The extensive network of footpaths in the Parish has been surveyed and maintenance arranged. We have monitored the Connecting the Culm project and have given grants to Mid Devon Mobility, Citizens Advice, the Poppy Appeal, St Marys Church, Blackdown Support Group, Lights Brigade,

Football Club, Christmas Club and provision of wildflower areas on verges. The local contribution to the MDDC council taxes for 2021-22, the Parish Precept, will be kept the same as last year. This is the money that we spend on your behalf on maintenance, projects and other work in our parish.

Commons

As part of the care and husbandry of Hemyock's 5 commons, additional trees have been planted at Shuttleton Common. At Hemyock Turbary a hard standing area for additional parking has been created and a picnic bench and seats are now available on the Turbary for the enjoyment of visitors to use. The fingerpost and Turbary sign at the road junction have been painted.

Parish Assets

Hemyock Parish has a considerable number of assets, acquired over many years and managed by the Parish Council. As part of our asset management plan, we have had them all professionally surveyed and we are progressively tackling the recommended actions. The Blackdown Healthy Living and Activities Centre (BHLAC) has received a considerable upgrade by replacing the heating system, installing air filtration to some of the rooms, PV panels mounted on the roof and loft insulation renewed. Heat conserving wooden panels have also been mounted below the building to reduce airflow under the floors. Finally, an asbestos survey has been undertaken, improved fire safety equipment installed and safety signage mounted where appropriate. The Blackdown Hills AONB team now have their office in the BHLAC building, a mutually beneficial arrangement for both constancy of building use and allows the AONB team to remain based in the area. We look forward to the BHLAC returning to full use again. In the Garages, we have facilitated the establishment of the Blackdown Community Shed by moving the Scout store from an underutilised room to an area within the main building. At Longmead, the play area has been completely renewed with top-of-the-range equipment, the BMX track has been maintained, the footbridge is being refurbished and we have supported the excellent work being undertaken in the Longmead environmental area. The drains around the Longmead pavilion have been cleaned.

The Future

Projects that are progressing or now being considered are: providing an extension to the Station Road footpath below the Spar shop (progress has been slow due to legal hold-ups); an improved path/trim-trail around Longmead; possible siting and development of a skateboard park; and for 2022, adopting, managing and establishing possible uses for the public open space to the north of the new Culmstock Road development.

People and the Community

We mustn't forget to mention and thank our excellent village maintenance team, Ian, Kate and Rod, who continue to keep the village looking neat and tidy. Thanks also to everyone who support the smooth running of the council assets such as the Longmead Committee, The Garages Committee, the BHLAC team, Commons Management Group, Environment Area team to name only a few.

On a negative note, however, there has been an increasing amount of vandalism and lack of consideration for others from a small number of people. Around Longmead, waste bins have been repeatedly damaged, the new football dugouts have had the 'Home' and 'Away' lettering ripped off and the new play area fence was demolished in less than a week.

Other waste bins in the village have also been targeted and the stocks of emergency salt have been used by some younger people to throw at one another. It's sad to reflect that we are spending £1,000s of your money to help keep the village nice only for much of the good work to be deliberately ruined.

Just one more moan together with a plea to all dog owners to keep their dogs off the sports pitches and to clear-up all their dog litter from around the village and to dispose of it properly.

The Parish owes the Football Association £163,000 to keep a structure of football teams using the ground for 25 years; if the pitches can't be used due to dog-fouling then we are in breach of the terms and may be required to pay back the money!!!

Now back to the positive again, Hemyock has a great community that is only due to a lot of good, dedicated people who contribute much effort and time to carrying out the many and varied tasks around the village. This was much in evidence during the covid lockdown where the Blackdown Support Group, the Churches, the Blackdown Medical Practice, the village shops, other clubs and organisations, good neighbours and many others kept our community going by ensuring that everyone was alright. Well done and thank you to you all.

For the future, we will always need the help and assistance from people who feel that they would like to become more involved in the community, possibly by planning a project, especially when we take over control of the new public open space land to the North of Culmstock Road. If you have a good idea or are interested in participating, please get in touch.

Tim Barton

Clerk: Mrs Donna Evans, Park Farm, Dunkeswell, Honiton, Devon EX14 4RN. Tel 01823 680968. Email hemyockpc@gmail. com. www.hemyock.org/parishcouncil.

Right Carol Brown and her guide dog, Nellie, listening to the Messenger

Below A typical recording session at our Studio in Heathcoat Fabrics



All had been running smoothly for nearly 40 years... until lockdown! Overnight we had to evacuate the studio at Heathcoat Fabrics in Tiverton, put our heads together and come up with a plan. With a little ingenuity and bags of determination, we switched to a whole new way of working without missing a heartbeat - or even a single week's delivery.

Our listeners have often told us that when the yellow MDM pouch drops on their mat on a Thursday morning, it's like a friend has come to visit. One recording had been 'a real pick-me-up, like a nice glass of wine!' We're so glad we haven't had to stop visiting, and have been able to do something to alleviate the isolation and loneliness that have been such a sad feature of the lockdown.

MID DEVON MESSENGER - HOW WE THRIVED DURING LOCKDOWN

any of you will know about the Mid Devon Messenger – a free local talking newspaper for the blind and visually impaired, and a registered charity.

At first, Rod and Helen produced the recordings each week, reading news, articles, quizzes, interviews and entertainment from the Gazette, parish magazines and elsewhere. We were upbeat, knowing the last thing our listeners needed was more bad news. When the dust settled we were joined by 20 of our readers who adapted to a 5 week roster, recording at home using their mobile phones or laptops, emailing their recorded tracks to the technician of the week. Despite all the complications, it's been working a treat and listeners are happy - though volunteers do miss getting together in the studio!

We are now extending our free service to others who struggle to read a paper and keep in contact. People suffering from Parkinson's, stroke, rheumatoid arthritis, dementia and other disabilities may want to receive the Messenger and continue to feel a part of their community.

If you know of someone who you think would benefit from our free service, please contact us or pass on our details. And if you would like to join us as a volunteer, do get in touch. Call Helen McIntosh on 07834 688838. You can find more information, and hear the latest recording, at our website www.middevonmessenger.org.uk.



Hemyock Bus Timetables

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Wellington, Post Office (SW-bound)	-	-	0911	-	1136	-	1436	-	1736		-	-	0911	-	1136	
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Culmstock, All Saints Church (E-bound)	0729	_	0930	-	1155	-	1455	_	1755		0729	_	0930	_	1155	
Hemyock, Castle Park (NE-bound)	0738	_	0939	_	1204	_	1504	_	1804		0738	_	0939	_	1204	
Hemyock, Prowses (S-bound)	0741	_	0942	_	1207	_	1507	_	1807		0741	_	0942	_	1207	
Hemyock, Catherine Wheel (N-bound)	0743	_	0944	-	1209	-	1509	-	1809		0743	_	0944	-	1209	
Sheldon, Sheldon Turn (S-bound)	0749	-	0950	-	1215	-	1515	-	1815		0749	-	0950	_	1215	
Dunkeswell, opp Royal Oak	0753	-	0954	-	1219	-	1519	-	1819		0753	-	0954	-	1219	
Dunkeswell, Jenwood Road (W-bound)	0756	-	0957	-	1222	-	1522	-	1822		0756	_	0957	-	1222	
Combe Raleigh, opp Combe Raleigh Turn	0803	_	1004	_	1229	_	1529	_	1829		0803	_	1004	_	1229	
Honiton, Job Centre (Stop D)	0810	0815	1011	1015	1236	1240	1536	1540	1836		0810	0815	1011	1015	1236	
Honiton, Tesco Superstore (E-bound)	_	0820	_	1020	_	1245	_	1545	1841		_	0820	_	1020	_	
Honiton, Waterleat Avenue (NE-bound)	-	0824	_	1024	_	1249	_	1549	_		_	0824	_	1024	_	
Wilmington, White Hart Inn (E-bound)		0830		1030		1255		1555				0830		1030		
Shute, Shute House (S-bound)	-	0839	-	1039	-	1304	-	1604	-		-	0839	-	1039	-	
Colyton, The Square (S-bound)	-	0846	-	1046	-	1311	-	1611	-		-	0846	-	1046	-	
Colyford, opp The Elms	-	0850	-	1050	-	1315	-	1615	-		_	0850	-	1050	-	
Seaton, Health Centre (S-bound)	-	0852	-	1052	-	1317	-	1617	-		-	0852	-	1052	-	
Seaton, Marine Place (Stop B)	-	0857	_	1057	_	1322	-	1622	-		_	0857	-	1057	_	



Seaton - Honiton - Hemyock - Taunton

Stagecoach South West

Timetable valid from 25/07/2016 until further notice

Direction of stops: where shown (eg: W-bound) this is the compass direction towards which the bus is pointing when it stops

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Seaton, Marine Place (Stop B)	-	0900	-	1200	_	1500	_	1700	-	-	0900	_	1200	-	1500	-	1700	-
Seaton, opp Health Centre	-	0904	_	1204	_	1504	_	1704	-	-	0904	_	1204	_	1504	_	1704	-
Colyford, The Elms (NE-bound)	-	0908	-	1208	-	1508	-	1708	-	-	0908	-	1208	-	1508	-	1708	-
Colyton, The Square (N-bound)	-	0913	-	1213	-	1513	-	1712	-	-	0913	-	1213	-	1513	-	1712	-
Shute, Shute House (N-bound)	-	0920	-	1220	-	1520	-	1718	-	_	0920	-	1220	-	1520	-	1718	-
Wilmington, opp White Hart Inn	-	0929	-	1229	-	1529	-	1726	-	-	0929	-	1229	-	1529	-	1726	-
Honiton, Waterleat Avenue (SW-bound)	-	0935	-	1235	-	1535	-	1732	-	-	0935	-	1235	-	1535	-	1732	-
Honiton, Tesco Superstore (E-bound)	0701	0938		1238		1538		1735		0701	0938		1238		1538		1735	-
Honiton, Lace Walk (Stop C)	0705	0942	0944	1242	1244	1542	1544	1739	1740	0705	0942	0944	1242	1244	1542	1544	1739	1740
Combe Raleigh, Combe Raleigh Turn (NW-bound)	0712	_	0951	_	1251	_	1551	—	1746	0712	_	0951	_	1251	_	1551	_	1746
Dunkeswell, Jenwood Road (E-bound)	0719	_	0958	_	1258	—	1558	_	1753	0719	—	0958	—	1258	_	1558	-	1753
Dunkeswell, Royal Oak (N-bound)	0722	_	1001	_	1301	_	1601	_	1755	0722	_	1001	_	1301	_	1601	_	1755
Sheldon, Sheldon Turn (N-bound)	0725	_	1004	_	1304	_	1604	_	1758	0725	_	1004	_	1304	_	1604	-	1758
Hemyock, Square (W-bound)	0733	-	1012		1312	-	1612	-	1806	0733		1012		1312		1612		1806
Hemyock, Castle Park (NE-bound)	0735	-	1014	-	1314	-	1614	-	1808	0735	-	1014	-	1314	-	1614	-	1808
Hemyock, Prowses (S-bound)	0738	-	1017	-	1317	_	1617	-	1811	0738	-	1017	-	1317	-	1617	-	1811
Culmstock, opp All Saints Church	0748	-	1027	-	1327	_	1627	—	1820	0748	-	1027	_	1327	-	1627	-	1820
Nicholashayne, Post Box (NE-bound)	0753	_	1032	-	1332	_	1632	_	_	0753	_	1032	_	1332	-	1632	-	_
Sampford Moor, Vine Cottage (NE-bound)	0757	-	1036	-	1336	-	1636	-	-	0757	-	1036	_	1336	-	1636	-	-
Wellington, Post Office (NE-bound)	0806	-	1045	-	1345	-	1645	-	-	0806		1045	-	1345		1645	-	-
Silver Street, Heatherton Grange Inn (NE-bound)	0813	-	1052	-	1352	-	1652	-	-	0813	-	1052	-	1352	-	1652	-	-
Taunton, Castle Way (S-bound)	0831	-	1105	-	1405	_	1705	—	_	0831	_	1105	—	1405	_	1705	-	-

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HEMYOCK, Lower Millhayes	0910	TIVERTON, Bus Station Stand 6	1315
HEMYOCK, Square	0912	TIVERTON, Carew Road	1321
CULMSTOCK, All Saints Church	0920	CHETTISCOMBE, Post Box	1323
CULMSTOCK, Millmoor	0922	CHEVITHORNE, Church	1325
BURLESCOMBE, Ayshford Arms	0930	UPLOWMAN, Bus Shelter	1332
WESTLEIGH, Shelter	0934	STAGG MILL, Cross	1337
HOLCOMBE ROGUS, Prince of Wales	0942	HUNTSHAM, Post Office	1342
HOLCOMBE ROGUS, Whitebrook Terrace	0944	HOCKFORD WATERS	1348
HOCKWORTHY, Phone Box	0950	STAPLE CROSS, Inn	1350
STAPLE CROSS, Inn	0952	HOCKWORTHY, Phone Box	1352
HOCKFORD WATERS	0954	HOLCOMBE ROGUS, Whitebrook Terrace	1358
HUNTSHAM, Post Office	1000	HOLCOMBE ROGUS, Prince of Wales	1400
STAGG MILL, Cross	1005	WESTLEIGH, Shelter	1408
UPLOWMAN, Bus Shelter	1010	BURLESCOMBE, Ayshford Arms	
CHEVITHORNE, Church	1017	CULMSTOCK, Millmoor	1420
CHETTISCOMBE, Post Box	1020	CULMSTOCK, All Saints Church	1422
TIVERTON, Carew Road	1022	HEMYOCK, Square	1430
TIVERTON, Bus Station	1028	HEMYOCK, Lower Millhayes	1432
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S^t Andrew's Clayhidon

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St. Andrew's Church News

ver this past year of lockdown St Andrew's church community has suffered considerable setbacks. We have lost three of our key members: the funerals of Stephen Bullet, David Hortop and Corinne Williams all took place over recent months.

Our churchwarden, Denis Sanders, stepped down as planned from his post after the Annual meeting, leaving with the warm thanks of the PCC for all he has done to help and steer the practical aspect of church life. During the periods of lockdown we met as a church community on zoom, but even when able to meet in person again several of our older member needed to remain shielding so were unable to be a part of normal church life.

But from Easter Sunday we have been able to meet in person again for occasional services and it has been great to do so. We are now looking forward to resuming our normal pattern of public worship from the start of July. We continue to explore new forms of worship and particularly new opportunities for enjoying a good cup of coffee and home made cakes together in the magnificent and inspiring grounds of the churchyard. A new PCC has been appointed, and we have been delighted by the help brought by a new team of welcomers, ready to provide a warm welcome and good coffee whenever possible. We are all very grateful to Peter Fisher for taking on the massive task of managing the upkeep of the buildings and churchyard. Potholes, leaks, woodworm, the electrics, pointing, repairs to windows and numerous other essential jobs are all now in his very good hands.

Under Peter's management we have also cleared the extension area of the churchyard, already consecrated for use, and are planning how to make the whole of the churchyard even more of a welcoming and peaceful site for those who wish to come and sit in its beauty to remember, think and pray.



A highlight of recent weeks was the service of Thanksgiving held for the Duke of Edinburgh on 25 April (see separate article) and at the time of writing the church community is looking forward to welcoming the benefice to an outdoor celebration of Pentecost on Sunday 23 May.

You will always find a ready welcome at St Andrews - so do come and join us for worship whenever you can.



Service of Thanksgiving for the life of HRH Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh

heartfelt personal tribute was paid to the late Duke of Edinburgh on Sunday evening, 25 April. The church of St Andrew, Clayhidon, held a service of thanksgiving and commemoration for the Duke, led by the Rector, Canon Becky Totterdell.

Mark Broadbent of Fenix Carriages spoke with great warmth of how he first met the Duke when he was competing against him as a young carriage driver. At the age of 18 Mark was also just setting up his own business as a carriage maker and related how the Duke took a real interest in this.

'He gave me an order! It was so encouraging. He needn't have done that - he had access to far better workshop facilities. But he saw a bit of enthusiasm and didn't hesitate to encourage me as a young lad just starting out.'

The Duke's support did not end there. 'He followed my career all the way from that point, even making a visit to the carriage works here in Clayhidon. Carriage driving was a great passion of his. I found myself competing against him in carriage driving competitions over many years.'

Mark comments that he was just one of hundreds if not thousands of young people around the country in whom the Duke took an interest and helped launch them on a lifetime's career or service. 'It is exactly the sort of person he was and why he is so significant to so many people in this country and around the world. His encouragement was always so personal and practical.' The Duke came to Clayhidon in 2016 when he joined the visit of the Worshipful Company of Coachmakers, London Livery Company.

St Andrew's Church was almost full to its Covid- safe capacity with 38 local people in attendance. Prayers of thanks were said for the legacy the Duke has left this country, and prayers were offered for those people and concerns close to his heart - young people, the environment, engineering and enterprise, the nation and Commonwealth and of course Her Majesty the Queen.



Above Mr Mark Broadbent of Fenix Carriages with Revd Canon Becky Totterdell

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Clayhidon Parish Council

Clavhidon Parish Council Update, June 2021

The parish council continued to meet remotely via Zoom. On 4th May it held the Annual Parish Meeting and at the end of this report is a summary of the year from the chairman, Maurice Bendle.

Legislation enabling parish councils to meet remotely ended on 6th May. This means that from 7th May onwards parish council meetings must be held face-to-face. The pc intends to hold its first face-to-face meeting on Monday 21st June at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. A brief summary of the business conducted at the recent meetings is as follows:-

Election of Chairman & Vice-Chairman

Maurice Bendle was elected as Chairman and Richard Drew elected as Vice-Chairman at the Annual Meeting of the parish council held in May.

Planning

Applications received for:-

- 21/00592/LBC. Listed building consent for refurbishment of existing dwelling, conversion of attached barn, provision of extension and bat roost within adjacent barn. Troakes Farm, Clayhidon.
- 21/00648/FULL. Temporary siting of a shepherd's hut for use as an agricultural worker's dwelling. Higher Acre Ridge, Clayhidon.
- 21/00780/FULL. Erection of roofing over livestock yard. Buildings east of Smeatharpe Stadium, Clayhidon.
- 21/00760/FULL. Erection of extension to general purpose agricultural livestock building. Bolham Farm, Hemyock

Permission granted noted for:-

- 20/02100/HOUSE. Erection of single-storey side extension. Carlingwark, Clayhidon.
- 20/01532/FULL. Erection of a building for use as accommodation during building
- works on main dwelling and subsequent ancillary accommodation.
- 20/02082/FULL. Change of use of agricultural land to private equine use, erection of stables, creation of lunge area, alterations to existing access and formation of new track. Carlingwark, Clayhidon.
- 20/01848/FULL. Conversion of stables to dwelling and erection of single-storey extension. Applehayes, Clayhidon.
- 20/01853/LBC. Listing building consent for above.

Refusal noted for:-

• 21/00171/FULL. Change of use of land for the siting of a temporary worker's dwelling for three years. Poacher's Rest, Clayhidon.

Finance

Income - interest, rent, grant and precept. Expenditure - charity expenses, subscriptions, wages, and website.

Highways

Devon County Council's telephone number for members of the public to report any lights that are not working, pot holes, blocked drains/gulleys and any other road maintenance issues is 0345 155 1004 (Lines are open 8am to 8pm Monday to Friday and 9am to 1pm Saturday). Or report the problem online at www.new. devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem

Police

101 - The non-emergency number for Devon and Cornwall Police. Textphone 18001 101 for the deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired. Always call 999 in an emergency.

The John Griss Charity

A Charitable Incorporated Organisation, The John Griss Charity, has been created to manage the estate. The trustee is Clayhidon Parish Council. The charity met on Monday 15th February under the chairmanship of Nick King and agreed to continue to lease the lakes to the existing fishing syndicate until the end of 2022 and to rent out the land for the same period. These decisions are subject to agreements of terms. Members also discussed the creation of a hard-standing to improve car parking at the lakes and funding the installation of otter-proof fencing. They also agreed in principle to work with a local developer, Andy Lehner, to submit a joint planning application to build two semidetached properties on the site of Rose Cottage.

Parish Lengthsman

The parish has a modest budget to employ a trained lengthsman to maintain those ditches/drains which are no longer maintained by Devon County Council. Please report any problems to the clerk or a councillor so that the lengthsman may be deployed where he is most needed.

Hedges

Many comments have been made to the council about hedges around the parish encroaching on to roads. Residents are politely asked to ensure their hedges are kept trimmed. Whilst there are some restrictions on when hedges may be cut, if there are road safety concerns then under these circumstances those restrictions do not apply.

Local Tradespeople

From time to time the parish council employs people to carry out tasks on its behalf. These tasks range from repairing a wall, improving and repairing footpaths, gates and bridges, clearing ditches, and other general maintenance works. The parish council is keen to use local tradespeople and to that end if you would be interested in quoting for any such works then please contact the clerk giving your contact details and the types of work you are interested in and your details will be held on file.

And Finally

If you would like to get involved or wish to know what is happening around the parish then please come along to one of the council meetings, normally held on the second Monday of every other month in the Parish Hall. However, the next meeting is to be held on 21st June at 7.30pm Parish Hall. Minutes and agendas are displayed on the web at www.clayhidon.org.uk and a schedule of meetings may be found on the noticeboard at the Parish Hall.

CLAYHIDON PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT 2021

Sadly John passed away in February 2020 and very generously left his entire estate to Clayhidon Parish Council, which comprises of Rose Cottage and approximately 37 acres which includes 4 stocked lakes. This gift proved to be a challenge for us as none of the Councillors have any experience with fishing, thankfully Michael Leigh-Mallory stepped up to the mark, a neighbour of John's and someone who for many years has worked with John offered to help organise a fishing syndicate and between them are beginning to bring it back to its former glory. A huge thanks to Mike and his team for all the hard work they have done. Money had to be raised to settle the estate before it could be handed over, although this was the Executor's responsibility. We appreciate working with Richard Kallaway to achieve this, numerous items of machinery and a small piece of land were sold. Much discussion took place at our meetings as to the future use of our new assets and it was recommended that firstly a charity should be set up, so The John Griss Charity was created earlier this year and Nick King was elected as the first Chairman, so suddenly the need for PC meetings was greatly reduced. The estate should be handed over to the Charity in the next few weeks.

- Mid Devon Mobility,

It has been a year like no other year with COVID 19 restrictions and a very generous legacy left to the Parish.

COVID 19

All of our meetings last year were held remotely via Zoom. Once the initial hiccups were sorted these meetings ran fairly smoothly, we have had substantially more meetings this year largely due to the legacy and the ease of attending meetings in our own houses.

JOHN GRISS'S LEGACY

NEW COUNCILLOR

Sadly Councillor David Turner resigned from the Council and in his place we were very pleased to welcome John Kidner

SUPPORTING CHARITIES

Donations were given to the following;-

- Parish Hall,
- St. Andrews Churchyard,
- Blackdown Healthy Living & Activities Centre,
- Blackdown Support Group,
- Citizen Advice Bureau.

PLANNING

We have had our usual flow of Planning Applications, no slowing up through the restrictions.

ROADS

Another wet winter hasn't helped the road surfaces, some continue to deteriorate. Work has been done on roads in the Garlandhayes/Wiltown, Half Moon, Middleton Barton areas. Potholes have been filled, although concerns were raised when tarmac was used when the roads were wet and the potholes full of water! The road from the Parish Hall to Hidewood Farm has now been completed after many years of discussions. Apparently there is to be restructuring at Devon County Council Highways on the way that roads are maintained giving our neighbourhood officer more responsibility and his priority is to get the water

off the roads before any major resurfacing work is done, which seems a sound way forward. Ongoing is the road from Palmers to Lilycombe with the water on the road around Deadbeer corners getting particular attention. A positive meeting has already taken place with the adjacent landowners

FOOTPATHS

I would like to thank Richard Brown for his continuing work in maintaining our footpaths, 18.5 miles of them, in a good state. Grants have been received from the Parish Paths Partnership and this money has been used for general maintenance which included a bridge replacement on the Bridge House /Gladhayes footpath.

OTHER ORGANISATIONS

CHARITIES

CLAYHIDON CHARITY

This charity receives its main income from the charity below.

MARY PARSONS GIFT TRUST

This a joint charity with Churchstanton Parish Council. The charity is in the process of getting the field it owns registered with the Land Registry. Once this is completed it is hoped that the field can be sold and the trust wound-up with half the proceeds being paid to the existing Clayhidon Charity.

BLACKDOWN HILLS PARISH NETWORK, AONB and CON-NECTING THE CULM

Thanks to Alison Weekes for representing the parish council.

LENGTHSMAN

With Devon County Highways having a shrinking budget more is left for us to do inhouse. We are very grateful for the work that Chris Houghton does on our roads, drainage and hedge cutting together with the work he does in keeping our paths accessible, thanks Chris.

As I said earlier it has been a year like no other year for us all and I would like to thank all the many volunteers who have stepped up to the mark, helping the vulnerable and shielded members of our community. I would also like to thank my fellow councillors for their commitment to the Parish and it is always encouraging to have parishioners attending our meetings, thank you for making the effort and your input.

And lastly I would like to thank our very able clerk, Donna, for all the work, time and energy she puts in and for keeping us all in line and for making the Chairman's task so much easier.

Maurice Bendle

Chairman

Clerk:

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News From Rosemary Lane Chapel

he rhythms of life altered dramatically over this last year, but with the easing of restrictions, it is a joy to have opportunity to see more of one another again. It has, in some way, abated that restlessness that we have all known this last year - to be in presence of loved ones, to share in life together, to support one another in the burdens we bear.

It is our hope that, with the further lifting of restrictions, our opportunities to meet will only increase and with it, the muchmissed familiar rhythms of our church life: The sound of a toddler's excitement as she topples a tower of building blocks, the laughter as a child wins a fun-filled game of 'Pond and Path', the chatter of familiar friends around a cooked meal. Keep an eye out for news on the return of the Rosemary Lane Chapel 'Toddlers' Group, 'Venturers' Friday night club for the kids and, when possible, Luncheon Club, among other activities. Of course, our primary activities remain our Sunday morning worship at 11am and our midweek online homegroup. If you would like to come along and find out what we're all about then please do get in touch to book a seat.

We are grateful to have the opportunity to meet in person again at Rosemary Lane, but with restrictions in social contact, limited attendance and singing, it feels like a very different rhythm. That said, a new rhythm is sometimes exactly what we need.

"Jesus offers us rest, but it is not a rest born of inactivity. It's not the rest born of a lengthy holiday, though we all may need one of those. No, it is the rest born of walking with Jesus. Walking in step with the One who loves you and would lead you; One who would focus our efforts and retune our hearts to purposes of true value."

We are all in a hurry to see life return to some semblance of normality. But do we want everything the way it was? For many, the last few months have been an opportunity to slow down, find a different pace, a new rhythm to life. Don't get me wrong, this last year has been difficult, painful and in many ways, only served to deepen a sense of restlessness in our lives. But with everything we have been through, do we really just want everything to return to the way it was?

Jesus was moved with compassion when he saw the restlessness in those he met, those whose rhythm in life had become burdensome and the robbing of rest. On one occasion, moved with compassion, Jesus makes one of the most beautiful gospel invitations when he says:

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my voke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." MATTHEW 11:28-30

Jesus offers us rest, but it is not a rest born of inactivity. It's not the rest born of a lengthy holiday, though we all may need one of those. No, it is the rest born of walking with Jesus. Walking in step with the One who loves you and would lead you; One who would focus our efforts and retune our hearts to purposes of true value. Jesus offers us a new rhythm, one that would bring rest from the rushing, rest from the worries, and rest from the hurt. In all the burdens of this last year, Jesus doesn't offer us platitudes, He offers us a promise:

'Come to me... and I will give you rest.'

This is a promise that we are to participate in as we are encouraged to bear one another's burdens, to support each other, to make time for one another. If we at Rosemary Lane Chapel can be of any support to you, if we can come alongside, listening to you, and praying with you, then please do get in contact.

With our love,

Jonathan Hillman

On behalf of the fellowship at Rosemary Lane Chapel rosemarylanechapel@live.co.uk 01823 681164.

Culmstock Cancer Research Committee

Art and Craft auction with refreshments -Sunday 19th September 2021 Culmstock Village Hall at 3pm

ulmstock Cancer Research Committee would like to express their thanks and appreciation to all those people who have kindly offered to donate an item of art, craft, cakes or other exciting gift for our auction that will take place on the date above.

If anyone would still like to donate an item that they have created, some cakes for a stall or anything that will raise money at auction, we would very much appreciate it for this worthy charity. Further details regarding this event will be published in the next Pump edition.

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BLACKDOWNS EARLY MUSIC PROJECTS!

s this goes for off for inclusion in the magazine, we are waiting to see if we sell the last few available tickets for the first Third Thursday event in All Saints' Church, just a handful left! Social distancing and masks will be the order of the day, hopefully by the time we get to the next event on June 17th we shall be able to relax the distancing to some extent to allow more in the audience.

The next concert is on June 17th at 7.30pm, when Frances Kelly, a highly regarded international player and scholar of all things 'harp' will bring four instruments to play music from the medieval period, through early Italian, Spanish and Wire-Strung (Irish) harps. She will then move on to Handel, Bach and other 18th century composers in the baroque period. This will be a fascinating tour through the development of the simple lyre into the highly complex machine of the C18th.

After that on July 15, bringing a complete change of style, one that some may consider not to be 'classical' or even 'early' music at all, we are really looking forward to introducing Nick Wyke and Becki Driscoll. As far as BEMP is concerned there is no music without the folk to make it, so it goes way back! Nick and Becki are absolute masters of folk music from all over the UK and beyond, If you have not had the chance to hear these two live before, this is it, they have a wonderfully informal style and are incredibly talented. Tickets are available for both these concerts now, call 01884 849172 or email info@bemp.uk.





COLDHARBOUR MILL IS OPEN AGAIN!

Our 2021 season began on 31st May. Do come and help us celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Museum!!

OPENING TIMES: 31st May-31st October 2021

Monday-Friday 10.30am–4.30pm (Last admissions 3pm) Please book in advance to secure a time slot for your visit by phone on 01884 840960, by email at info@coldharbourmill.org. uk or online through the Mill website www.coldharbourmill. org.uk/visit

STATIC DAYS: Monday-Wednesday & Friday

Explore Coldharbour Mill and learn about the processes of spinning and weaving through the ages, Victorian engineering, and the innovations brought in by the Quaker Fox Brothers Company that originally owned the factory with the help of our self-guided tours.

PRODUCTION DAYS: Thursdays

All the fun of a Static day with the added bonus of experiencing the buzz of a lively factory floor as our volunteers and production manager work on our heritage machinery. They might be spinning yarn, or weaving rugs, cloth or tartan, giving you a feeling for what it was really like to work in Coldharbour Mill.

Whenever you visit, you will also have the opportunity to discover our wildlife and well-being community space – Project Splash! as you enjoy a peaceful meander in the Devon countryside. And of course you will be able to find some special gifts for yourself or a loved one in our Shop, which is now combined with the Grist Mill Café Bar with a new improved all-weather outdoor seating area with waterside view & children's play area.

Keeping you Safe:

We have created bookable time slots for tickets - we do encourage booking in advance to avoid disappointment. This means we can effectively manage how many people are on-site, so there will be plenty of space for social distancing and viewing the exhibits without feeling rushed! We have installed numerous hand-sanitisation points around the site and in the buildings, and we ask that face coverings be worn in all indoor areas to provide additional safety to other visitors, our volunteers and staff. Though we are aware those with certain conditions may be unable to wear a covering, we do encourage all who can to wear one. Additional disposable face coverings will be available from Reception.

Advance notice:

We hope to start our 2021 EVENTS with a Steam Day on Sunday 25th July, followed by our Summer Craft Fair on Sunday 22nd August. See Mill website for full list of 2021 events

Peter Holdway-Bradley General Manager

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Death

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'No, not this body,' I reply, Putting a cluster Neatly shaped, Upon the baking tin between us. 'But I'll be around all right, Hovering somewhere, laughing with you, Feeling quite near As Grandpa does with me.'

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Ruth Fawell, 1976 Quaker Faith & Practice 21.52

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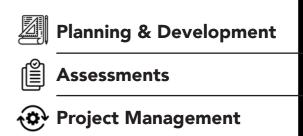
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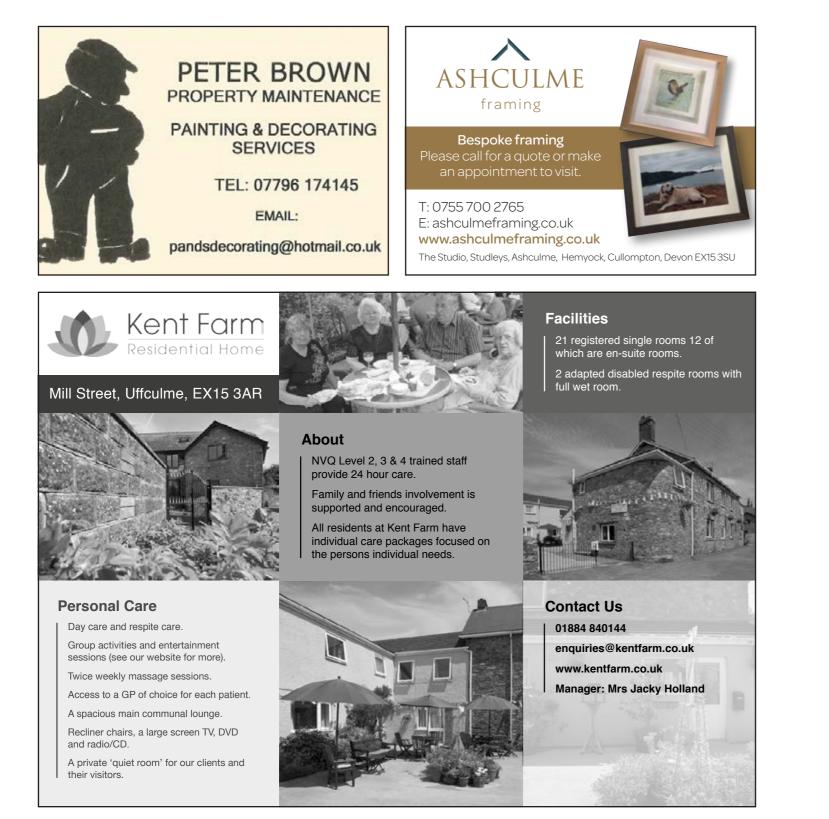
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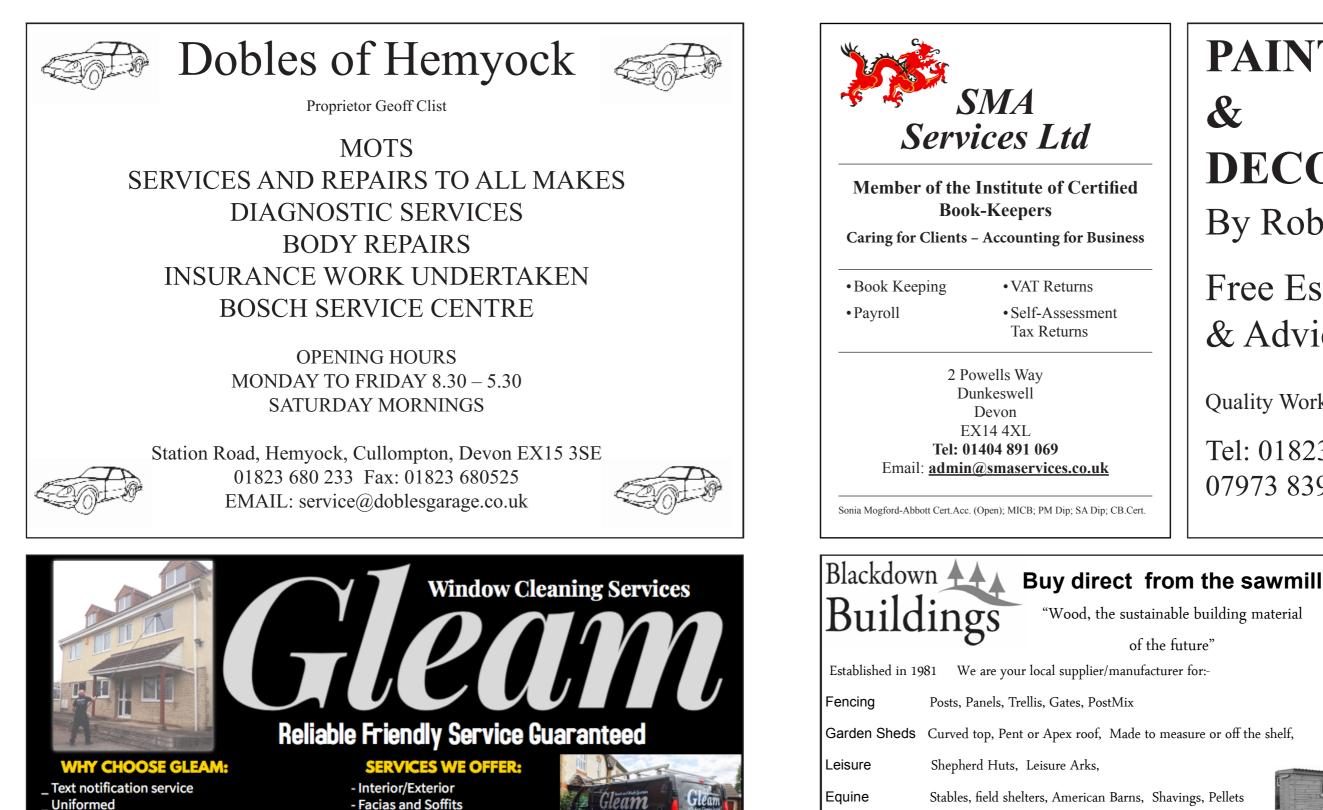
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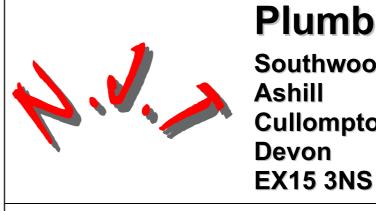
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