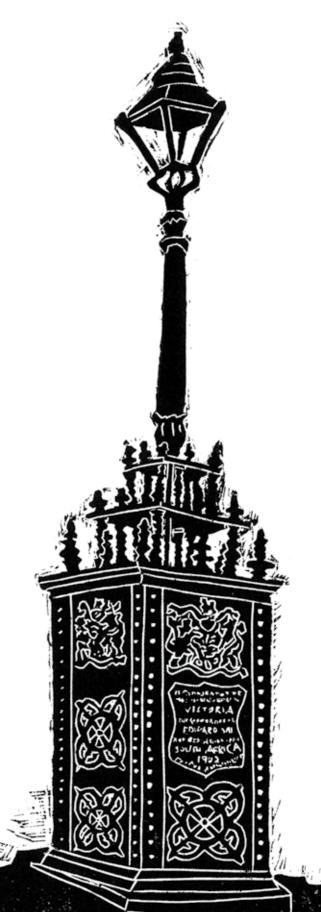
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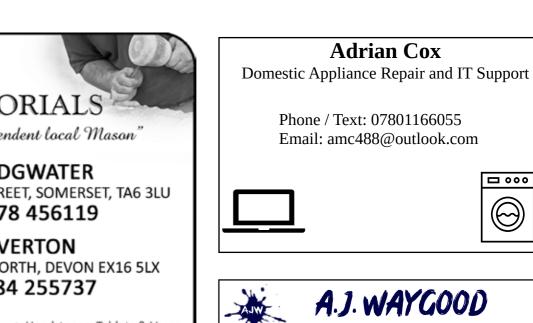
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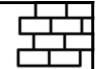
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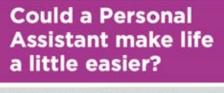
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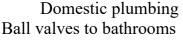
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Totterdell. A quarter peal takes about 45 minutes to ring and during
the exercise the ringers follow a pattern which dictates their position
relative to the other bells. This quarter peal was the first to be rung on the
bells for five years.

In February, we rang another quarter peal, this time at St Andrews Clayhidon to celebrate the resumption of regular ringing there. The new team, that started to learn in October last year now have a regular weekly practice on Monday evenings and ring the bells for the Sunday services.

Some words from our new ringers:

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- "Although we each learn differently and at a different pace we have been kept together as a team"
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SERVICES FOR APRIL 2025

	Culm Davy Chapel	St Andrew, Clayhidon	All Saints, Culmstock	St Mary, Hemyock				
Sunday 6 April 5 th Sunday of Lent Passion Sunday	9.00am Communion service (Traditional 1662)		10.00am Communion service	11.00am Morning Worship				
Sunday 13 April Palm Sunday	10.00am St Mary's church, Hemyock Benefice Eucharist 8.00pm All Saints church, Culmstock Sung Compline With Andrew Trewhella and Ad Hoc Voices							
		HOLY WEEK						
Monday 14 April	8.00pm Iona Night Prayer							
Tuesday 15 April		8.00pm New Zealand Night Prayer						
Wednesday 16 April			8.00pm Northumbria Night Prayer					
Thursday 17 April Maundy Thursday	6.30pm St Mary's Church Room, Hemyock Passover Supper followed by Stripping of the alter							
Friday 18 April Good Friday	2.00pm All Saints, Culmstock Devotional service							
Sunday 20 April Easter Sunday	9.00am Communion service (Traditional 1662)	7.00am Sunrise Service 10.00am Family Communion	10.00am Family Communion	11.00am Family Communion				
Sunday 27 April 2 nd Sunday of Easter	10.30am at Culm Davy Chapel Benefice Eucharist for Low Sunday 11am at St Mary's church, Hemyock St George's Day Scouts Service (1662 BCP) Morning Prayer Service is held each Tuesday morning at All Saints Culmstock at 10.00am.							

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SERVICES FOR MAY 2025

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Sunday 4 May 3 rd Sunday of Easter	9.00am Communion service (Traditional 1662)		10.00am Communion service	11.00am Café Church		
Sunday 11 May 4 th Sunday of Easter		10.00am Morning Worship	10.00am Communion service 8.00pm Sung Compline with Andrew Trewhella & Ad Hoc Voices	11.00am Communion service		
Sunday 18 May 5 th Sunday of Easter	6.30pm Evening prayer (Traditional 1662)	10.00am Communion service	10.00am Morning Worship	11.00am Morning Worship		
Sunday 25 May 6 th Sunday of Easter Rogation Sunday		10.00am Communion service	10.00am Morning Worship	11.00am Communion service		
Thursday 29 May Ascension Day	7.00pm All Saints, Culmstock Benefice Eucharist					

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Last weekend the film *Darkest Hour* was screened on TV. It depicts the moment in 1940 when Britain's allies were collapsing in the face of Hitler's war machine and our nation seemed to be standing alone against tyranny. Many argued in favour of pursuing peace with the Nazi regime and Prime Minister

Winston Churchill risked being isolated and ousted for his warmongering stance. But the nation rallied behind him and, after five more years of endurance, difficulty and loss, the evils of Nazism were finally overcome.

We often hear the expression "the night is darkest before dawn". That isn't literally true as dawn is preceded by a couple of hours of twilight, but when one has been on a long night watch or shift at work, exhaustion might contribute to the perception of deeper darkness in the later stages of night.

For the disciples of Jesus, the darkest hour must have been the first "Good Friday", when everything they had believed in for the preceding three years seemed to be falling apart as their leader was arrested, and subjected to an unjust trial, before suffering a humiliating and agonising death by being nailed to a cross. Apart from a small faithful band of followers – mostly women – who stayed with him and saw where his body was buried, everyone else abandoned him, overwhelmed

by terror that they might suffer a similar fate. They didn't immediately scatter, but hid themselves from the authorities who they feared would be out looking for them. According to the gospels, even the sky turned black as Jesus breathed his last – a dark hour indeed.

Yet, just over 36 hours later, on the *third day*, new hope and joy dawned. Some of those women who had stuck by Jesus went to his tomb to pay their last respects only to find that his body was no longer inside. Over the course of that Easter

day, Jesus was seen alive – recognisable but different – by many of his followers. His resurrection made a promise that death was not the end, that evil will not triumph, that where there is life there is indeed hope.

We have been plunged into an era of uncertainty when powerful leaders with dubious motives seem to be tearing up the rule books and, for many in the world, things are looking pretty dark. The Easter message is one of hope and confidence that God sees wrongdoing, will ultimately allow right to prevail, and justify those who trust in him.

May peace, hope and joy be yours this Easter and beyond.

David Major, Ministry Team

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Christian Response to Eastern Europe (cr2ee)

'Thank you' are two small words which carry so much meaning. The support for cr2ee from this area, and further afield, continues to amaze us. So far this year the charity has taken 4x 40 ton lorries of humanitarian aid to Ukraine and Moldova.

We are grateful to receive so many new and used good condition donations that we are now making weekly trips to the depot at Exmouth where dedicated, mainly elderly, volunteers sort and pack everything to ensure everything is in good condition, within date and will cause no cultural upset.

Thank you also to those who have made financial contributions and to all who continue to support the appeal for Christmas boxes. We are aware that it can prove to be expensive to fill a box but please be assured that whatever size box you fill it will bring immense happiness to the recipient whether they be young or elderly.

We do hope craee will continue to see your support.

Thank you,

Janice & David Bawler



The Garages

The Garages are primarily a youth facility; we have over 200 youths using it weekly. It is home to 1° Hemyock Scout Group and recently the Youth Club has restarted, both run by dedicated volunteers To enable us to keep rates low for voluntary youth groups the hall is hired out for exercise classes, Blood donation service, teaching groups, Archery Group, Lights Brigade; it's an ideal venue for Children's birthday parties. (Bouncy castles are always popular here)

Private Hire rates from September 1 $^{\rm st}$ 2024 £17 per hour

If you would like to make use of this great facility please contact:

Karen 01823681034

Youth@the garages.

Hemyock Day 2025

HEMYOCK DAY 2025 will take place on from 12.00-22.00 on Saturday 21 June in Longmead Field. It's the chance for everyone to come together and enjoy live music, children's entertainments, prize-winning Fancy Dress Competition, have a picnic or just soak up the atmosphere – and the sun (fingers crossed!). There will be food outlets, a fully-stocked bar, teas, coffees and ice creams.

New this year! Local acts will be performing from 12.00.

Come and support our own home-grown talent. Not to be missed!

Also new this year! Local artists and makers will be exhibiting their work in the Arts & Crafts marquee.

A magnificent line-up of bands, musicians and DJ will entertain and get you all up dancing the night away

All this is brought to you FREE! by fund-raising throughout the year. Thanks to everyone who has supported our events! So this means:

- No entry fee!
- \bullet No charge for children's entertainments!

Thank you!

A very big thank you to Mrs Mary Beard for delivering the Parish Pump in Castle Park for a good number of years we are not quite sure how many years!

We are very grateful to Mary, and to all our volunteers who are involved in producing and delivering the Pump.

We welcome Andrea to the team, who will be taking over from Mary.











Thursday 8th May 9am - 9.30pm

St Mary's Church Hemyock



PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

9.00am Raising of unique VE Day80 flag
VE Day80 Proclamation

10.00am—12am Coffee morning

2.00pm—4.00pm Afternoon teas

6.30pm Ringing out the bells in Celebration of Peace

9.30pm Lighting of Beacon (Lamp)
VE Day80 reading of Tribute

Singing: I Vow To Thee My Country





Display of memorabilia in church including work by Hemyock Primary School and The Poppy Club

Fish and Chips served in the Catherine Wheel
Eat in or take away. 11am—9.30pm

Free lifts to and fro any of the events kindly sponsored by The Blackdown Support Group

Please book in advance on Tel: 01823 681036

Event sponsored by Hemyock Parish Council

All proceeds go to The Royal British Legion















A Blast from the Past – A local newspaper report from February 1954

Late January and early February has seen the severest weather in the country since 1947. Hemyock proved to be one of the coldest spots in the country with snow falling intermittently. Whilst some roads have been cleared many bad stretches of frozen snow remain.

The River Culm at Hemyock Station froze over from bank to bank, a distance of approximately 14 yards. The station staff watched an otter for several minutes as it searched for a fish meal, which at present, due to the pollution, was hard to find.

At Culm Davy House Capt F Elmes recorded the following degrees of frost:

27th Jan -12° / 28th -13° / 29th -13° / 30th -14° / 31st -17° / 1st Feb -21°

Hemyock Gardeners' Association

Spring Show 2025



Hemyock Parish Hall
Saturday 5th April
Viewing and Ploughmans
from 12.30pm

Hemyock Short Mat Bowls Club

ur Club, who meet in the Parish Hall, continues to play this very sociable game. We are involved in a number of 'friendly' games with other Clubs in the area, always enjoyable meeting people and getting to know them as friends. We also play in the East Devon Winter Afternoon League, travelling to places like Seaton and Colyton. May and July we will have league matches at Langford Budville and Bradford on Tone!

September will see us organising our annual tournament, where twelve clubs come together for a day's bowling. This year we are raising funds for the Club, prior to this we have been able to hand money over to various charities like SURE, Devon Air Ambulance and The Blackdown Support Group to name but a few.

This is in addition to our regular Monday morning sessions where our Club competitions also take place. Anyone is welcome to join us, to this end , we are holding an 'open morning' on Monday, 7th April at 10.00 a.m. Please come and see what 'short mat bowls' entails. We have bowls which you can use for a practice. The only stipulation is to bring a pair of indoor, flat soled shoes to wear. This is to protect our mats from dirt and grit being transferred on to them.

Hope to see you on the 7th April, but feel free to come along on any Monday morning at 10.00 a.m. Please ring if you need further details.

Doreen Perrott (Sec) 01823 680850 Barbara Heaton (Chair) 01823 681420 HEMYOCK GARDENERS' ASSOCIATION

PLANT SALE



Afternoon Tea

Wednesday 9 April

Hemyock Parish Hall 2.30pm

Tea, Coffee, Cake & Plants For Sale

Rusty rackets tennis coaching

at Longmead, Hemyock.



Fancy getting back into playing tennis?

Tennis coach, Dan Sizer, runs adult coaching sessions on Friday mornings from 10-11 am at the Hemyock courts, Longmead.

These sessions are suitable for anyone who has played a bit in the past and would like to get back into playing again.

Sessions are run on a pay-as-you-go basis and you don't have to be a member of the tennis club to come along

Please contact Julie Steed (steedjulie52@qmail.com, 01823 680787) for more information

MESSY CHURCH @ HEMYOCK BAPTIST CHURCH



FRIDAY 16th MAY from 4.00 pm
Messy Church is for primary age school
children, siblings & their parents! Come along
to enjoy a variety of crafts and activities,
songs and a cooked tea, all for
£1 per person

Hemyock Bowling Club

emyock Bowling Club is looking for new members. All are welcome, whether experienced or total novices. Bowling is a sport where men and women, and bowlers of ll ages can play and compete together on equal terms, which makes it the perfect sport for couples and families. Free coaching is available for all members, new or existing. For new bowlers, the only first year subscription is £8 to cover the cost of Bowls England affiliation fee.

The green, one o the best in the area, will open for bowling again on April 12th, and the club will hold an open day on Saturday May 31st when anyone interested in trying their hand will be welcome. However, there is no need to wait until then, because anyone is welcome to come to the club on any Friday evening club night after 6.30pm, when they will be welcome. All you need is a pair of flat soled shoes, and the club can provide everything else. The club has a bar with very competitive prices, and is very sociable.

The green is not simply abandoned for the winter closed season. You may well have seen members working on the green if you walk or drive by. Unless it is raining or frozen, the green is brushed every morning to control moisture. It is regularly spiked to aerate the soil to aid growth and help drainage. It is sprayed with tonics, wetting agent and iron for growth, soil health and treatment of moss and fungus, and believe it or not, throughout the winter it needs cutting on occasion! This winter, green keeping has been challenging due to frost and heavy rain, but despite the weather, work is all up to date and the green is looking good. Inside the clubhouse, the clubhouse has been repainted, and members have enjoyed cooked suppers about once a month through the winter.

When the season starts, the club will be playing in the East of Exe mixed league, the men's County Trophy league, and the men's over 60s league, in which the club won promotion to the first division last season. It is hoped that the ladies will also be competing in a ladies triples league. In addition, we have a full complement of friendly matches. On Friday evenings, Club Night, members will be playing an internal Aussie Pairs competition before retiring for refreshment and a game of spoof.

Come and give it a try!

Poets Corner

MARCH SAP'S STIRRING

Even in the oak tree,

Standing stark against the gray sky,
Buds begin to swell with Springtime;
As an old man feels his spring sap stirring
And dreams his memories of long ago and sleeps.
The oak tree lives however old,
Buds his acorns in the Springtime
Lives for this year and the next,
Drops hiis autumn and some seeds sprout,
Maybe one or three each year;
And our tree may live at least one hundred years,
So a forest grows with other trees to the same routine;
Of seed sown in Sun and Rain,
March begins another Summer of the forests life,
And breaths the airs that renews mans soul.

David Palmer

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The Parish Pump April - May 2025

NEWS FROM HEMYOCK BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor Steve Williams 0737 900 9325 hembcpastor@gmail.com

Church Secretary Maureen 680111 Prayer Requests Chenda 587238 1 Hemyock Baptist Church

Imagine the shock of reading the paper (or these days logging on) over breakfast and finding your own obituary. It happened in 1888 to Swedish chemist and industrialist, Alfred Nobel. Owing to a mix-up at the newspaper, journalists confused Alfred with his brother and ran the wrong obituary. Apart from the shock, he experienced acute embarrassment that ultimately led him to a change of direction in his life.

Nobel was a complex, lonely man, who achieved fame through a mixture of brilliance and business acumen. As an explosives expert, he invented a safe and manageable form of nitro-glycerine in 1866 and christened it 'dynamite'. He went on to patent other discoveries in the field of explosives and built an empire of 80 companies in 20 different countries to handle his interests, which made him a wealthy man.

But the mistaken obituary caused him great concern as, for the first time, he saw how the world would remember him. He had developed explosives primarily for use in mining and road construction but the obituary portrayed him as making his fortune from the misfortune of war. He saw himself as others saw him - an industrialist who traded in armaments and made money from human misery. (Tony Stark, anyone?)

This led to a change in the direction of his life. (Told you). He altered the terms of his Will to show a different face to the world. He had high ideals for peace and progress and wanted to demonstrate in a tangible way his concern for humanity. When Nobel died in 1896, the bulk of his fortune was left to endow annual prizes for those who had made the most significant contribution in each of five areas - physics, chemistry, medicine, literature and peace. Instructions were left as to how the prizes would be awarded each year, and to the present day they remain prestigious.

Perhaps the best known is the Nobel Peace Prize which has an illustrious list of recipients. It's strange that Nobel's name today is most strongly associated with peace when the premature obituary linked him with war. His decision to change direction paid off and left the world with a better and happier memory of him.

Alfred Nobel was 55 when he read his premature death notice, and he lived another eight years - reminding us that it's never impossible or too late to change direction. That option is always open to us... it's why Jesus came.

Pastor Steve Williams

SERVICES IN APRIL 2025

- Sunday 6th 10:30 am Morning Service, Young Church & Coffee Sunday 4th 10:30 am Morning Service, Young Church & Coffee • Sunday 13th 10:30 am MorningService, Young Church & Coffee •
- Sunday 20th 10:30 am EASTER Communion Service
- Sunday 27th 10,00 KING's BREAKFAST Family Fun Service

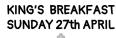
SERVICES IN MAY 2025

- Sunday 11th 10:30 am Morning Service, Young Church & Coffee
- Sunday 18th 10:30 Communion Service, Young Church & Coffee
- with Young Church & Coffee Sunday 25th 10:30 am Morning Service, Young Church & Coffee



WEDNESDAYS 9.00 - 11.30 am

MONDAYS - TERM TIME ONLY Open to under 5's, toys, activities & Join us for tea, coffee & a chat. drinks. £1 per session





10:00 am Our fun family service with a Cuppa, Crafts & Bacon/Sausage Sandwich!

MONDAYS, TODDLER TIME WEDNESDAYS, CHAPEL CAFE





A cooked tea, crafts, activities, songs and games for children & their adults. £1 entry per person

THURSDAYS. **30 MINUTES WITH GOD**



EVERY THURSDAY 10:00 - 10:30 am Silent prayer, rest & reflection; with our prayer team on hand to pray with you if you wish.

Alpha Interested in

finding out more about the Christian faith? Got questions? Others have too! Get in touch with us today to see what the Alpha Course is all

HOUSE & PRAYER GROUPS



7.30 pm TUESDAYS with Anne (680057) or THURSDAYS with Vivien (680952)

SATURDAY PRAYERS 8-8.45 am please contact Anne

FILM NIGHT SUNDAY 27th APRIL

7:00 pm An inspiring family friendly film, open to all. Come along early for a coffee. See noticeboard for info.

Stephan Lehner

tephan Lehner, who gave so much to the Hemyock community and beyond through his tireless commitment to The Blackdown Hills Repair Cafe amongst other ventures, very sadly passed away unexpectedly on Christmas Day 2024.



Above Stephan's legacy

Stephan's dear friend Carolyn Dare, along with a core group of repairers stepped in to help organise and ensure the smooth running of the first Repair Cafe without Stephan at the helm, on 25th January 2025. Many repairers came along, including some who travelled back to the area having moved away, just for the occasion—they observed a minute's silence to reflect and cherish the good times with Stephan before the cafe opened.

There was a lovely supportive atmosphere with everyone really wanting to continue as a sign of their deep connection with Stephan and commitment to reducing items ending up in landfill. A few members of The Blackdown Hills Eco Hub also came along to help out. Stephan loved growing vegetables, making things out of wood and supporting Carolyn's projects there.

Those who came to have items repaired shared fond memories of what a wonderful man Stephan was and how he had helped and supported them. Many expressed their appreciation for everyone coming together to ensure the continuation of The Repair Café as a legacy to all that Stephan has achieved. If anyone has repairs or enquiries they are welcome to contact Carolyn at: bhecohub@gmail.com.

The Eco Hub is very lonely without Stephan. He put in some 'late' potatoes, not thinking that they'd grow very well, in a patch next to the herb mandala. He had planned to dig them up before Christmas, but the weather was awful. We think he would have smiled down at the heart-



shaped potato—the very first one Carolyn dug up in January. Two damson trees have been planted in his memory at the BH Eco Hub. Andy Crabb has kindly made a bench in Stephan's memory, which will take its place in the Community Field in Churchinford where Stephan was instrumental in starting a community food growing space, with the Open Space Management Group, as well as planting and caring for many apple trees at the quarry.

The next repair cafe dates are 22nd March, 27th September and 22nd November.

Stephan's daughter Amy is keen to help at The Repair Cafes where she can, in her Dad's memory. Amy said of her Dad: 'he was such a kind hearted soul who would do anything for anyone in need. He was the hardest working man I know and I will forever be grateful to call him my Dad. He's dearly loved and deeply missed by us all'.



The Parish Pump





The Blackdown Healthy Living & Activity Centre – What's on

Riverside Club Community Shed

Mondays and Thursdays most weeks of the year, 9.30am - 3pm. Day of activities, entertainment and lunch for older residents of the Blackdown Hills. Contact Lynn Pulman (01823) 680687

Sundays, Mondays and Thursdays most weeks of the year, 10am - 1pm. The Shed is a place to pursue practical interests at leisure, to practice skills and enjoy making and mending in a social

setting. Contact Peta Dayus-Jones (01823) 680687

Stay & Play Hub

Wednesdays term-time 9.30am - 11am, a drop-in stay & play session for babies and pre-school children. Art & craft, messy & sensory play, music & stories. Health Visitor clinic on the 2nd

Wednesday of each month.

Pilates (3 classes) 9am, 10.15am & 11.30am Monday Yoga 6.30pm Yoga 9.30am Tuesday 6.30pm Pilates

Julia Baldock (07708 469745) Sharon (07928 953134) Harriet Tubbs (07791234319)

Music Therapy 2.30pm 6.30pm

Harmony Haven Project Harriet Tubbs

Thursday Friday

Therapies

Wednesday

Sound Baths Emma Dee www.emmadeesoundtherapy.com 7pm (monthly) Pilates (2 classes) 9.30am & 10.45am

Sarah Grey www.pilatessouthwest.co.uk Chiropractor – Sue Moore 07534 222031 Massage – Rachel Ridler 07854 973276

Osteopathy - Martha Price 07734 431624 Massage - Ruth Bell 07892 896895 Hypnotherapist – Helen Morris www.innerfreedomhypnotherapy.co.uk Betonica Herbal Medicine Clinics – www.betonica.co.uk/herbal-clinic

You can find the BHLAC at Riverside, Lower Millhayes, Hemyock, EX15 3SH www.bhlac.org.uk or call 01823 680687



Take Part, Laugh, **Enjoy & Live Life**



Louise Lyus www.connectedpilates.com

Fun-filled day for older people



Two-course lunch



Mondays & Thursdays 9.30am - 3pm

Healthy Living Centre, Hemyock Ring 01823 680687 for further info.



History Group Report

Te joined the National Community Archives and Heritage Group 18 months ago and as a result we had the South Korean TV crew arrive in Hemyock to film our community activities including the meeting in December 2023 with Peter Fisher when he gave a talk about "A murder in the Merry Harriers".

They also filmed the choir rehearsing and the bellringers practising. The Community Archives are a voluntary group of people all over the country protecting local archives, researching local history and introducing our fascinating past to a new generation, hopefully. Are they interested, though? These volunteers are loosely affiliated to the National Archives but making available within our community documents that are available during Heritage week and other Historical events. On the Bank Holiday Monday 5th May Hemyock Castle and St Mary's will have these documents available to view as a precursor to the National VE celebrations on Thursday 8th May when St Mary's will join in the National celebrations organised by the British

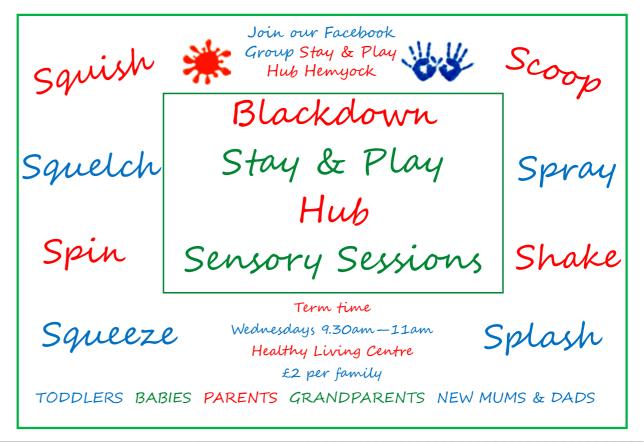
Our last talk in February was once again given by Peter Fisher who this time gave an interesting talk on the capture of Pegasus Bridge in Normandy by British forces at the start of D-Day, the Allied invasion of France. Pegasus Bridge, originally known as Caen Canal Bridge, in Normandy, France, was a vital strategic position during Operation Overlord, the Allied invasion of France. Peter, who is a retired Army officer, met the CO who led the group from 6th Airborne Division on an organised visit to the bridge and the café that remains at the site as a perpetual memorial. The only British casualty during the attack was a Lt Brotheridge whose grave is at the memorial and is the first Allied soldier to be killed in action on D Day, 6th June, 1944. His daughter, who was born after D Day, lives in the parish that Peter now manages. The full story, that Peter explained in detail, is well worth reading on

Our March talk was given by James Bradnock on the history of Wellington School where he was a teacher and housemaster and is

now the School's archivist. The creation of the School in 1837 was led by Benjamin Frost as Headmaster of what started as Wellington Academy with very few details available of where Frost originated and where the finance came from. He was married to Elizabeth Corner. Frost died in 1848 and William Corner became Headmaster, who had married Suzanne Lutley of the well known Hemyock family and stayed at the school for 30 years. Local families were influential in supporting the School during this period including Egerton Burnett, Charles Fox and the Sanford family. In the early years Although they taught Greek, Latin, English and Music, the school became known as The Engineering School later in the 19th century and in 1904 built its first engineering workshops. The school built a power house that provided electricity to the school, well before the town of Wellington had electricity supplied. We are awaiting a response from Fox Bros as to when the Tonedale factory had electricity supplied.

In the latter years of the 19th century Music began to flourish and when George Corner became Head, who had a scientific background, started the officer training and the CCF that has become renowned throughout the 20th Century. WW1 resulted in 37 of their old boys KIA with another 66 casualties and as a result the Chapel project became of primary importance. 3 of the boys taught by James and trained in the CCF all became Rear Admirals while the Drama department produced the wonderful actor David Suchet. The current school has over 850 pupils, both boarding and day. The talk was very well received by our group explaining just how a small venture back in 1837 has developed successfully ever since to become the grand educational institute that it has become today.

Our April talk will be given appropriately by another local resident who had a career in the army providing legal advice and guidance at various trouble spots, including the handing over of Hong Kong to China, the UN peacekeeping force in Bosnia and maintaining the independence of East Timor. A fascinating outline of how our forces are constrained by international regulations from Alasdair Morrison. Everyone is welcome to our monthly meetings at 7.30pm in the Church rooms on the 2nd Thursday of the month. Check details on our History Group Facebook Page.



The Parish Pump





'Supporting Lives, Strengthening Communities'



Saturday 27th of September 2025 7:30pm onwards

Office Space to rent

Are you a small business, sole trader or someone working from home and potentially interested in office space in central Hemyock?

We will have office space available to let within our new premises on Station Road, either on a flexible or more permanent basis. Please get in touch for a no obligation informal chat.

for **VOLUNTEERS**

Our essential services rely on

volunteers giving up a small amount

of time to make a **big** difference -

please contact us to find out more.





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www.blackdownsupportgroup.org.uk



spring news!

KAVS celebrations

In February we held a celebration for our wonderful Volunteers at The Catherine Wheel after we received The Kings Award for Voluntary Service in November 2024.

This Award is equivalent to the MBE for volunteer groups and is awarded for life. Two BSG volunteers will be attending a Buckingham Palace Garden Party in May.







Annual Cream tea

We welcomed 70 of our Volunteers and Friends to our annual Cream Tea, celebrating the work that they do in our local communities. Former volunteer Rene rounded the afternoon off beautifully - she was one of the very first BSG Volunteers over 30 years ago and describes volunteering with us as one of the happiest times of her life.

'Give a little time, compassion and kindness and you get it back in tenfold"

Please get in touch

Hemyock Tennis Club

There is quite a lot going on at the tennis club at the moment. Preparations are ongoing for the beginning of the league season, and while Hemyock A tends to comprise a relatively small team, (not through elitism but necessity) we would very much like Hemyock B to be fully inclusive with as many club members as possible taking part. The final league position cannot be said not to matter, but more important is that as great a number as possible are able to take part in the competitive nature of league tennis and we know from experience that when this happens, slowly the experience leads to significant player improvement. Team practice will start soon on Monday evenings - all members welcome, so come along and have a go.

It hasn't escaped the club's notice that 'pickleball' and 'padel' have begun to generate a great deal of interest. Indeed, on the continent, padel clubs are a huge growth area and are overtaking tennis and squash as the main 'court' sports. Financially, to establish padel at Hemyock TC is out of the question at present, but pickleball has been considered and subject to finalising some of the finer details, this may well be offered at Hemyock soon as an alternative or additional sport to tennis. If you haven't seen it played, take a look on line at e.g. 'YouTube', or ask at the local leisure centres to find out more.

Fees for the coming 12 months have been agreed at a competitive £115 for single adult, and £170 for adult couple. Junior membership fees are unchanged at £20 (£10 for siblings). We are often asked to clarify 'junior' membership qualification, and it generally applies to those until they are no longer in full time education, but if further information is required, then please contact the club via the usual

Last autumn, 'cardio tennis' was introduced. Thanks largely to the efforts and enthusiasm of Jo Benn, who managed the promotion aspects, it has really taken off and although I'm yet to try, I'm assured that it gives a good work out and what's more, no need for any tennis ability - just come along at 9 a.m on Thursday mornings - just £6 a session. Thanks also to Dan Sizer, our coach.

Dan has as usual been busy with the juniors on Thursday late afternoons, and is running a camp during the Easter school break. There is also adult group coaching on Friday mornings from 10 a.m. See website for more on these, and also for details on how to contact Dan for one to one coaching.

The club will hold it's Annual General Meeting on 10th April. (8 p.m. after social tennis) We look forward o seeing you and reporting on how this year has gone and plans for the future.

As ever - social tennis is Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. and Thursday evenings from 6.30 p.m. Look out for information on our social events e.g. Strawberry Tennis (date to be confirmed.)

Finally, don't forget that there is the opportunity to play midweek, usually Wednesday or Thursday mornings. A 'four' is usually arranged beforehand with one eye on the weather and the other on availability, A few of us have played a very enjoyable set and if you'd like to be included on the WhatsApp group, let me know and I'll sort it out.

hemyocktennisclub@outlook.com

Valley Arts

e got there! After quite a few technical glitches and illness on and off stage, we managed to produce an entertaining pantomime..



We had some excellent feed back from our full audiences and a very good NODA report. Every evening the hall was buzzing with people catching up with old friends, buying their raffle tickets, supporting the bar and generally enjoying a lovely village social event.



We are very pleased to have recruited three new young cast members, Alanna, Carla, and Danielle, all very talented, enthusiastic and great team players. It was also pleasing that Geoff joined us at the end for a few cameo appearances; our pantos would not be the same without him.

Putting on an extra night worked well, everyone pulled together to make this a success. It was great for people who's relatives live a distance away and had not been able to come during the week, so a Saturday performance meant they were able to come this year and had a lovely time, even joining Swash and Buckle on stage for the jelly song! It was also a bonus for those who work on weekdays to be able to have an easier last day and be fresh for the final performance, which this year, was rounded off with a buffet at the Catherine Wheel. Tom prepared some delicious food and I now know why his hand made sausage rolls are legendary! We had a lovely time and it was a perfect ending to our pantomime!

Our AGM will be on the 8th April 7-8 pm in the Corn Hill room of the Catherine Wheel, everyone welcome and there will be a meal after at 8.00pm in the restaurant. It's perfectly fine to just join us for the meal, please pre- order food to be served at 8.00pm.

We are investing in the social side of our group and encouraging new members, our annual membership fee is £10. We try to meet regularly at a series of events, some with concessions for members, these include, the AGM meal, video evening, a trip to a musical, an Autumn BBQ, Xmas Meal, After show Party and any other impromptu meetings at the pub and visits to other local group productions or events.

If you would like to join the group or to participate in any way, contact Lynn at lynnpulman@btinternet.com Caroline at cjpinder@ hotmail.co.uk or Stuart at stuart.summers28@gmail.com.

Caroline Pinder (Secretary)

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What's On April 2025

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Tue 1	Charity/Coffee Shop 10-12 CR							
Wed 2	BSG Lunch Club 12.45 BHLAC Parish Council, 7.30 BHLAC, Empty Spaces 2.30 BHLAC							
Thu 3	Taunton Farmer's Market Curry Night Takeaway 7pm BHLAC							
	Spring Term Ends Scout Bingo 7pm HPH							
Sat 5	Charity /CoffeeShop 10-12 CR Wyndham Singers Concert 7.30pm St Pauls Honiton Hemyock Gardeners Spring Show 10 am PH							
Sun 6								
Mon 7								
Tue 8	Charity/Coffee Shop 10-12 CR Tiverton FM							
Wed 9	Gardeners, 7.30 PH Empty Spaces 2.30 BHLAC Come & Craft 6.30-9.30 FL							
Thu 10	Taunton FM. History Group 7.30 CR							
Fri 11								
Sat 12								
Sun 13								
	Young Farmers 7.30 FL							
Tue 15								
Wed 16								
	Taunton Farmer's Poppy Group 10-12 CR							
	Good Friday							
Sat 19	HEMYOCK MARKET 10 - 12pm PH							
Sun 20	Easter Sunday							
Mon 21	Easter Monday							
Tue 22	Charity/Coffee Shop 10-12 CR School Summer Term begins							
Wed 23								
Thu 24	Honiton & Taunton FM. Poppy Group 10 - 3pm CR							
Fri 25								
Sat 26	Positively Parkinson's Support Café 10.30 - 12 BHLAC							
Sun 2 7	King's Breakfast 10.30 HBC							
Mon 28	Young Farmers 7.30 FL							
Tue 29								
Wed 30								
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Weekly Meetings in Parish Hall and Elsewhere (Forbes	Lounge, Church Room,	BHLAC & Garages etc)

Sun	Community Shed	10-1pm	C Shed
Mon	Short Mat Bowls	9.30-12.30pm	РН
	Art	10-12noon	FL
	Badminton	1.30-3.30pm	PH
	Latin Dance	6.30-7.30pm	PH
	Pilates	9.00 - 10.00am	BHLAC
	Toddler's Time	9.00 - 11am	HBC
	Pilates	10.15 - 11.15am	BHLAC
	Seated Pilates	11.30 - 12.15pm	BHLAC
	Yoga	6.30 - 8pm	BHLAC
	Riverside Club	9.30 -3.00pm	BHLAC
	Sue's Singing for Fun	7.30 - 9pm	HBC
	Community Shed	10-1pm	C Shed
Tue	Toddlers	9.15 -11am	PH
	Charity Coffee Shop		CR
	Yoga	9.30 - 11.00am	BHLAC
	Pilates	6.30 - 7.30pm	BHLAC
Wed	Tai Chi	11-12noon	РН
	Come & Craft	6.30-9.30pm	FL
	Stay & Play	9.30 - 11am	BHLAC
	Pilates	6.30 - 7.30pm	BHLAC
	Music Therapy	2.30 - 3.30pm	BHLAC
Thu	Devon Dance	6.45-8pm	РН
	Riverside Club	9.30 - 3.00pm	BHLAC
	Community Shed	10-1pm	C Shed
Fri	Pilates	9.30 - 10.30am	BHLAC
	Pilates	11.15 - 12.15pm	BHLAC

These WEEKLY activities happen regularly each week with occansional breaks for Bank and School Holidays. They will not be in the monthly What's On.

Fortnightly and Monthly meetings will be placed in the Monthly What's On Section.

Please contact **Gillian Hawkes: gillian.parishpump@gmail.com** if there are any alterations, or additions to this list.

PH - Parish Hall
FL - Forbes Lounge
BHLAC - Blackdown Healthy Living and
Activity Centre
C. Shed - Community Shed
CR - Church Rooms
HBC - Hemyock Baptist Church

What's On May 2025

Thu 1	Taunton Farmer's Market
Fri 2	
Sat 3	Charity /CoffeeShop 10-12 CR
Sun 4	
Mon 5	Bank holiday
Tue 6	Charity/Coffee Shop 10-12 CR Tiverton FM
Wed 7	BSG Lunch Club 12.30 BHLAC Come & Craft 6.30-9.30 FL
Thu 8	Taunton FM History Group 7.30 CR
Fri 9	
Sat 10	
Sun 11	
Mon 12	Young Farmers 7.30 FL
Tue 13	
	Gardeners, 7.30 PH
	Taunton Farmer's Poppy Group 10-12 CR
	Messy Church 4pm HBC
Sat 17	
Sun 18	
Mon 19	
Tue 20	
Wed 21	
Thu 22	Honiton & Taunton FM. Poppy Group 10 - 3pm CR
Fri 23	
Sat 24	
Sun 25	Kings Breakfast 10 am HBC Free Film Night 7.00pm HBC
Mon 26	
Tue 27	Charity/Coffee Shop 10-12 CR
Wed 28	
Thu 29	
Fri 30	
Sat 31	
Jul 31	1 200111-01 J Tallingon o oupport out 10:30 am 12pm Dilling

Forthcoming Events 2025

June

14th – Coffee morning at 1 Pencross View, Hemyock, in aid of Alzheimer's – 10-12am.

If you wish to give people early notice of your events by putting them into a Forthcoming Events column, please notify **Gillian Hawkes at gillian.parishpump@gmail. com** by the Parish Pump deadline date.

PH – Parish Hall FL – Forbes Lounge

CR – Church Rooms

LM–Longmead RS – Riverside

BC – Baptist Church

SM – St Mary's

SA – St Andrew's

ASC – All Saint's Church

CPH – Clayhidon Parish Hall

BHLAC – Blackdown Healthy Living Activity Centre

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The Parish Pump



The pavilion is available for hire when not in use by football clubs and tennis club, it's an ideal venue for smaller events needing outdoor space such as birthday parties, smaller family gatherings and of course meetings, it available in the day during the week and out of season at weekends. The building has basic kitchen facilities for your use.

The MUGA can also be hired for private use.

Pavilion - £10 per hour

MUGA - £15 per hour

Would you like to raise funds for your local charity/voluntary group?

We have heard that the Community would like a cafe; this is your chance to have a go and raise money for your local community groups.

We are offering the use of The Pavilion @ Longmead free of charge to hold fundraising events such as coffee mornings/afternoon teas etc in return for 25% of profit for the Longmead Field. Times/days will be limited.

If you are interested please call me or email to find out more.

kazapinder@hotmail.com

01823681034







f 'yes' we would love to hear from you

If 'no', would you like to learn?

The **Mid Devon Messenger** Talking News (<u>Mid Devon Messenger | A Talking</u> Newspaper for the Visually Impaired) is looking for one or two folk who would like to assist in the recording and production of their weekly roundup of news from the Tiverton Gazette and other publications, for the benefit of those unable to access the printed media due to any number of reasons.

Keen to help? Or want to learn more? Contact enquiries@middevonmessenger.org.uk

The Violet Chapman Trust

The Violet Chapman Charity (Charity registration number 299996) was established in 1986 after Mrs Violet Chapman, who was a patient of the Blackdown Practice, gave a substantial gift to the doctors, which was intended to provide patients with services and help that were not available under

The original Trustees were Dr Jonathan Meads, Mrs Chapman and Sir Christopher who, at that time, was senior partner with Ashfords Solicitors and one time president of the Law Society. The Trustees were, at this time, all volunteers not drawing any salary or expenses, and this remains the case to date.

The Trust has discretion to give grants for medical equipment and treatments as well as giving financial assistance to patients of the Blackdown Practice for numerous purposes.

All grants are given for the physical and mental wellbeing of the patients, and many will gain support by the help the Trust gives in supplying counselling where the NHS is unable to supply.

There are many examples that we could give of the patients we have helped recently and would cite one that required

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

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.com.

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 Stephen Walker - Solicitor, Shirley Wyatt - Chairman, Sue Brocklesby, Penny Browning and Judy Barton - Secretary.

COULD WE HELP YOU?

CHORAL COMPLINE WITH AD HOC VOICES

d Hoc Voices invite you to join them for a sung service of Compline in the beautiful surroundings and favourable acoustic **L**of All Saints' Church in Culmstock.

The ancient office of Compline derives its name from a Latin word meaning 'completion' (completorium). It is above all a service of quietness and reflection before rest at the end of the day. Originally the last of the monastic daily 'hours', the tradition of saying or singing compline goes back at least to the 6th century and possibly earlier.

The service is sung to ancient yet timeless plainsong, to which Ad Hoc Voices then blend in choral pieces, ranging from Renaissance to contemporary works, at the start and ending of the service and also sometimes substituting choral settings of the Psalm, Nunc Dimittis or Lord's Prayer. The service is experienced by candlelight, lasts no more than 30 minutes and, owing to its serene snd contemplative nature, has been aptly placed described as 'a nightcap for the soul'.

Ad Hoc Voices came to be in response to an initiative of Rev Becky Totterdell's to enable high quality church choral music across the churches of Culmstock, Hemyock and Clayhidon. I invited the best choral singers I know from across the locality and region and collectively, as Ad Hoc Voices, we have been singing together since May 2024. We sing a monthly Compline, plus occasional Eucharists, Carol Services and Concerts.

Our forthcoming Compline and Eucharist dates are as follows...

Sun 13 April: Choral Compline - Culmstock, 8.00pm Sun 11 May: Choral Compline - Culmstock, 8.00pm Sun 15 June: Choral Eucharist - Hemyock, 11.00am

Sun 14 Sept: Choral Compline - Culmstock, 8.00pm Sun 12 Oct: Choral Compline - Culmstock, 6.00pm Sun 9 Nov: Choral Compline - Culmstock, 6.00pm Sun 7 Dec: Choral Compline - Culmstock, 6.00pm

We hope you'll join us at All Saints' very soon.

Andrew Trewhella Director, Ad Hoc Voices

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.

Hemyock Gardeners

ardeners have waited a long time for Spring! And so the Spring Show is on Saturday 5 April when the hall will be filled with members exhibiting their prize blooms and handicrafts.

We have a culinary and a floral art section. Handicrafts classes are open to non-members and this year we have: a painting "Hemyock at Christmas"; photograph "Winter Wonderland"; "Easter" in any medium (needlework, knitting, paper etc); An Easter card. There is also the opportunity to enter the cake class a "Swiss Roll" to the recipe given. A Floral Art Class is open to non-members entitled "Hand-tied posy". All classes and the cake recipe can be found in the Show Schedule available at the post office. The show is open for viewing from 12.30. Ploughman's lunches are available from 12.00. Exhibits must be in place by 10.30am and all entries must be received by the Show Secretary by Thursday 3 April.

Our usual Wednesday evening meeting in April has been moved to the afternoon for the popular annual HGA Plant Sale and Afternoon Tea. There will be bedding plants, perennials etc for sale and refreshments in the Forbes Lounge with tea, coffee and delicious homemade cakes. Wednesday 9 April 2.30pm-5pm.

Back to normal in May with our own Caroline Anderson showing us how to make a May Floral arrangement. Wednesday 14 May at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. All welcome. £1 admission with refreshments at the end of the evening.

And finally, membership is open! If you want to enjoy listening to interesting speakers, garden visits and discount at The Old Well, come and join us! Just £10pp.

Contact Sue on 07976 611238 or email hgashowsecretary@outlook.



Around Hemyock

s we move into April we are only a few weeks away from the country celebrating **VE Day80**. Most of us will have little or no memory of the enormous celebrations which took place as peace was declared in Europe. For those who do recall and perhaps served whether in the Armed Forces or Home Front - we give you our most grateful thanks.

Those who were living here in 1995 may remember the weekend of events as the village (& country) celebrated **VE Day50**. The main events here were a large fete in the recreation field where veterans and others recalled their war years whilst many villagers dressed in fashions from that period as did those who attended the 1940's style dance with a live band at the Parish Hall. Afternoon tea with community singing and dancing were enjoyed, and a display of memorabilia was held at the Baptist Church. Whilst Wellington School CCF Band led a parade through the village for a service of Thanksgiving at St Marys

This year the **Royal British Legion** are suggesting different ways of celebrating and remembering **starting at 9am** and you will find details of what will take place here elsewhere in the Pump.

If you use social media, you may have seen recently that members of **Culm Valley YFC** have been busy taking part, and being very successful, in a variety of competitive events. Congratulations to them and to **Valley Arts** for a hugely successful show in early February.

In the coming weeks there will be a **wide selection of events** taking place from the Gardeners Show to coffee mornings, sporting activities, bible studies, messy church, luncheons, Parish Council meetings, charity shop, film nights, youth club and scouts and much, much, more - something for everyone. Easter will see school holidays, beautifully decorated churches and hopefully fine weather.

We will all know friends and neighbours who are having a difficult time or are unwell at present and we remember especially **Brian**, **Mark**, **Mary**, **Tony**, **Mavis and Chris**.

Condolences, love and prayers are sent to those who have recently seen the passing of a loved one including **Anne Kingston** and **Caroline Pinder**.

The following has been sent for publication here -

Graham George Howsam known to many as 'Church' was born to Dorothy and Tony on 2 November 1950, in Wellington Maternity Home. He spent his early years living at Station Road Hemyock before the family moved to No 2 Eastlands Hemyock where he lived for the rest of his life.

Graham attended Hemyock primary school where he was a member of the cub scouts and then attended Uffculme Secondary School. After leaving school he went to work in Dunkeswell, for Devon Sectional Buildings. From there he went to the Milk factory at Hemyock. He worked there until it closed. Following that he worked at Brookridge Timber where he stayed until retirement.

One of Graham's favourite past times was to go fishing with his Dad. He also had an interest in clay pigeon shooting and was known to enjoy a pint or two at the Royal Oak in Dunkeswell. As well as having an interest in cars, Graham could turn his hand

to carpentry, making a number of items for his home. He also undertook minor building projects including a fireplace and conservatory and enjoyed fixing machinery as well.

Graham passed away suddenly at home on 11 January following a respiratory infection.

Mrs Winifred Mary Richards, long term resident of Tedburrow & Hemyock passed away at Hummingbird Care Home Churchinford on the 7th January after a 3 month spell in care. Winnie was born at Lickham on the 6th October 1928 to George & Mary Lowman, as a toddler she moved to Tedburrow where she stayed until she married her husband Tony Richards, at St Mary's church Hemyock in 1952. She worked for her mother's cousin Vic Straddling in the stores that then existed in High St Hemyock.

After her marriage she went to live at the top of Castle Hill where her son Steven (ie me) was born, later she moved to live in George St, Wellington so as to be closer to her husband's workplace at Fox Brothers

Following the death of her Mother in 1989 the family made the decision to move back to Tedburrow, a place that was always very special to her, and had the property altered from a very basic 2 up 2 down with no indoor toilet and bathroom, the house was gutted and modernised an extension to include a large lounge and 2 new bedrooms was added, the work was carried out by Denis Bale, Gerald Salter & husband Anthony over a 12 month period. She remained there for the greater part of her remaining life, Anthony sadly passed away in 1998 and she lived alone before being joined permanently by her son Steven in 2006.

Steven would like to extend a big Thankyou to all those who attended her funeral on the 28th January at Taunton Crematorium, also for their generous donations to the Blackdown Support Group and Culm Davy Chapel.

Geoffrey Ackland

Margaret and family would like to thank everyone who took the time to send messages and kind words of condolence after Geoff's passing on 5th January. The donations collected will be split between the excellent Blackdown Practice and Devon Air Ambulance Trust.

Jan Lewer (1934-2025)

Jan Lewer, known to many in Hemyock, has died, aged 90, leaving her husband John, and two adult children, Peter and Debbie. Jan and John moved to Devon in 1988, first to Dunkeswell, where they had many happy years in their converted barn on Tencery Orchard, and then, from 2012, to Hemyock, where they have enjoyed their garden, making friends, attending the Baptist Church and being part of village life. Many people remember Jan's regular stall at the Hemyock market where she loved selling interesting things and talking to people.

Jan was a great character. She had a lively sense of humour and a mischievous twinkle about her. Even as she aged, and coped with the frustrations of growing old, she retained her love of life, nature, and those around her. She had a strong and joyful lifelong faith in God. She was a loving wife and beloved Mum. She adored big landscapes, the moors, the Cornish cliffs, the beauty of the Devon lanes and beyond, and especially her beloved New Zealand.

Jan was beautiful, six foot tall in her youth, classy, and very elegant.

She grew up in Battersea, London. She built a career in the late 1950s as a talented secretary to Professor Barton, a leading chemist at Imperial College London, who eventually won the Nobel Prize for Organic Chemistry. In 1966, on holiday in the Scottish Highlands, she met John, a handsome young airman and medic in the Royal Air Force, who had recently sadly lost his first wife and was bringing up Peter, his young son, alone. They made an instant impact on one another and a mere 10 days later, John proposed, she said yes, and by July they were married! Jan was very happy to be whisked away on John's RAF postings – the first to Malaysia. In 1974, when they were posted to Cyprus with the Air Force, instead of going by a conventional means, Jan, John and their young family made an adventure of it, and sailed on a small yacht, over 50 days, from Weymouth to Limassol via the French canals and over days at sea on the Mediterranean.

Jan had a lively spirit of adventure. As well as sailing with him, she toured with John abroad by motorbike, camped across the world, hiked, rode horses, and later, flew in the small aeroplanes John lovingly restored in the 1980s and 1990s. In Dunkeswell she volunteered for the local mobile library, sang soprano in the Sheldon Singers choir, grew wonderful vegetables on her allotment and threw some lively dinner parties!

Jan and John loved New Zealand and spent 7 of the British winters enjoying months of summer over there. They explored all round both islands, and kept a car and tent out there so they could keep going back to do more! Jan always remembered these years and these trips as the very best times of her life. They enjoyed camping and caravanning in Cornwall, Devon and South Wales for many years and loved their many visits to Lee Abbey, the Christian community near Lynton, in North Devon.

Jan, John, Debbie and the wider family have felt very blessed by the warmth, kindness, community and support of people in Hemyock.

Jan's family and friends are profoundly thankful for all 90 years of her rich, faithful, loving and adventurous life. She is buried in Hemyock cemetery. Her funeral was held on 6th March at Hemyock Baptist Church. Donations in Jan's memory are welcome to Blackdown Support Group, Marie Curie and the RSPB.

As our parish churches of Hemyock, Clayhidon and Culmstock are in a vacancy period, we are grateful to those arranging services. With Good Friday and Easter approaching do have a look at the page near the front of the Pump which gives venue and times of services within the Upper Culm Valley. Wherever you chose to attend you can be assured of a warm welcome.

A service which often sees St Mary's full is that to celebrate **St George's Day. 1st Hemyock Scout Group**, and supporters, parade from the Parish Hall to enjoy a family friendly service to which all

Hemyock Day approaches! - it's not until 21st June but if not already in your diary, calendar or phone now is the time to make a note of it. Fun for everyone.

The Parish Pump continues to be full of information of things happening here so we do hope you will find something of interest to attend and support.

We send all good wishes to Rev Becky Totterdell as she moves to her new home at Bampton and send a warm welcome to those who have recently moved to the village. We look forward to meeting you.

Happy Easter!

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News for this page can be sent to jbawler1947@hotmail.co.uk

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Mary Waldron Trust

Left Uffculme School? Continuing your 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. To be able to apply you should be normally resident in Hemyock or Clayhidon and have received full time education at one or more of:

Hemyock Primary School Uffculme School

Applications from students (not their parents) are welcome and must be in writing or email. Actual receipts for purchases made must be provided in due course.

If you would like further details or to request an application form, please contact the Secretary as follows:

Mrs Sally Cartledge, 22 Station Road, Hemyock, EX15 3SE

Email sallycartledge@hotmail.co.uk

Phone 01823 680367 (mob 07734 282094)

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TONDER 2025 UPDATE 1ST HEMYOCK SCOUT GROUP FUNDRAISING **APPEAL**

his July, a group of young people from 1st Hemyock Scout Group hope to visit Tønder, Denmark, as part of a 50-year exchange partnership with the Tønder Scout Group. This long-standing tradition provides a fantastic opportunity for our Scouts to build friendships, experience new cultures, and develop valuable life skills. To make this trip a reality, our Leaders, parents, and Scouts are working hard to raise the £20,000 needed to support the journey.

A huge thank you to everyone who has supported our fundraising efforts so far! With just four months to go, we have raised over £6,000, and we still have some exciting events ahead.

RECENT EVENTS

Over 100 people enjoyed our March takeaway night, when professional chef Conran from Conran's Kitchen served up a delicious range of paellas. Due to its success, we have three more takeaway nights planned on 3rd April, 1st May and 5th June.

By the time you read this, our Table Top and Pre-Loved Clothing Sale will have taken place—perhaps sparking the return of the annual Scout Sale! Keep an eye on the Tønder fundraising thermometer at Hemyock Garages to track our progress.

UPCOMING FUNDRAISING EVENTS



CURRY NIGHT - Thursday 3rd April, Healthy Living Centre

We are thrilled to welcome another professional chef, Mark Jerem, who will be cooking up a fantastic curry night. A second takeaway night will take place on Thursday 1st May—don't miss out!



GRAND DRAW

Our list of raffle prizes is growing! If you run a business and would like to contribute, this is a fantastic way to promote your company while supporting a great cause. So far, we have received donations ranging from logs to MOTs, chocolate,

vouchers to experience days. If you have something to offer, please get in touch.

OTHER WAYS TO SUPPORT US

GO FUND ME PAGE

You can now make a donation, however big or small, via Go Fund Me. Every little helps! Donate at: https://gofund.me/9031f4d6

CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP

We are still looking for Corporate Sponsors – and a huge thank you to the following for supporting us so far:

- Aspirations Support
- Monument Fuels
- ActivInsights
- Mount Vets
- Creature Comforts
- West Country Fencing Supplies

If you would like to know more about how your business can support this project, please contact Anne at

INDIVIDUAL SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES

Can you help us reach our goal?

- Sponsor a Scout Make a personal donation, and a Scout will write to you about their hopes for the trip and their experiences
- Sponsor the trip Could your business contribute or matchfund in exchange for advertising?
- Offer a Scout an odd job Our Scouts (ages 10.5-14) and Explorers (ages 14-18) are offering home and garden help around the village in return for donations.
- Donate raffle prizes and cakes Essential for our fundraising
- Donate surplus camping gear Every bit helps!

Scouting equips young people with essential skills for life, fostering social, practical, and outdoor abilities while encouraging a strong sense of community and responsibility. Please help us keep this historic friendship alive and support our young people in their fundraising efforts.

For more information, contact: anne.1sthemyockscouts@outlook. com. Follow our progress on Facebook: /HemyockScoutGroup

Thank you for your support! 1st Hemyock Scout Group.





Honiton's Community & Arts Venue

April 2025

ROYAL BALLET & OPERA: TURANDOT

Thu 3 Apr - 7pm. Adult £18, Student £12

Puccini's captivating opera of a cold-hearted princess & her mysterious suitor. Featuring the ever-popular 'Nessun dorma', this opera of love & revenge is brought to life in a dazzling show

A COMPLETE UNKNOWN (15)

Sat 5 Apr - 7pm. Adult £8, Under 16's £7 New York, early 1960's. Against the backdrop of a vibrant music scene an umultuous cultural upheaval, an enigmatic 19-year-old from Minnesota arrives in the West Village with his guitar and revolutionary talent, destine

THE ULTIMATE BUBBLE SHOW (U)

Tue 8 Apr - 11am. Adult £12, Under 12's £10, Family of 4 £40 Experience the best in soap bubble entertainment. Join Ray, International Bubbleologist and Guinness World Record Holder and help him in his quest to complete the bubble game and make the ultimate bubble. This show is suitable for all ages

BRIDGET JONES: MAD ABOUT THE BOY (15)

Fri 11 Apr - 2pm(optional lunch) & 7.30pm. Adult £8, Ù16's £7 Bridget Jones navigates life as a widow and single mom with the help of her family, friends, and former lover, Daniel. Back to work and on the apps, she's pursued by a younger man and maybe - just maybe - her son's science teacher. Lunch and a film deal Adult £14 / U16 £13.

THE SECRET LIFE OF ENID BLYTON

Sat 12 Apr - 7.30pm. Tickets £17.

On a Role Theatre dives straight into the authors life! Virtually everybody has Eni read an Enid Blyton book. She was loved by children (except her younger daughter who hated her) but vilified by the BBC, teachers, critics & librarian 9 Find out more about Enid's secret life in this brilliant theatre production!

THE SAND DRAGON THEATRE SHOW & PUPPET WORKSHOP Tue 15 Apr - 3pm. Family of 4 £33, Adults £12, U12's £9

While on holiday Edie and her Daddy find a magical pebble that can grant you one wish. Can you guess what Edie wished for? Join us for this magical theatre show & puppet workshop for 4yrs-

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Honiton's Community & Arts Venue

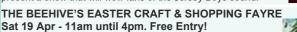
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ANDRE RIEU: THE DREAM CONTINUES (Optional lunch) ANDRERIEU Thu 17 Apr - 2pm & 7pm. Adult £14. U16's £10. Lunch + £6 André Rieu celebrates his 75th birthday and invites you to a boat party with him and his beloved Johann Strauss Orchestra as they sail through his hometown of Maastricht. The film features a selection of André's favourite and most spectacular global performances along with some of the finest moments the Maestro and his Johann Strauss Orchestra have shared!

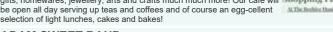
THE ALL SEASONS

Fri 18 Apr - 7.30pm. Tickets £21

Scintillating vocals & incredible harmonies. Bringing to life the music of Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons, The All Seasons present a show that will wow fans of the Jersey Boys sound.



come along and support your local makers and indep ased in Honiton and the surrounding areas. There will be a wide variety of Easter Craft & gifts, homewares, jewellery, arts and crafts much much more! Our café will Shopping Fayro



ADAM SWEET BAND

Fri 25 Apr - 7.30pm. Tickets £19. Advanced tickets £15. Adam Sweet Band delivers brooding blues and rootsy rock, balancing richl detailed song writing with soulful vocals and expertly piercing guitar work. Taking his cue from the British blues boom sounds and rock riffs of the 60's and 70's, the independent blues-rock guitarist and singer-songwriter has carved out his own territory between classic rock, blues and Americana.

THE MET OPERA: MARRIAGE OF FIGARO Sat 26 Apr - 6pm. Adult £18, Student £12 Mozart's timeless comedy returns to cinemas worldwide with

live broadcast from the Metropolitan Opera. Conductor Joana Mallwitz, in her Met debut, takes the podium to conduct a stell nsemble cast including Michael Sumuel as Figaro.

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Beehivehoniton.co.uk for more events happening at

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The Blackdown Practice

Hemvock Churchinford Dunkeswell

Hemyock Opening times:

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Saturday 9.00-12.00 for pre-booked appointments only (phonelines closed)

Please note the dispensary is closed between 12.30pm and 2.30pm (Mon - Fri)

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Weekends closed

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In a genuine emergency you should call 999. Chest pains and/or shortness of breath constitute an emergency.

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The Parish Pump

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1st Hemyock Scout Group

ello and welcome to Spring. The sun is shining brightly as I type. I mentioned The Tower of London last time, I am pleased to say that I

have not been incarcerated. Yet! This was about getting us into the digital age. With tongue in cheek I was a little skeptical about the change. Have received e mails from HQ that the system was down for a day—three times. I am sure it will be working perfectly in the very near future. In some ways I was quite looking forward to seeing the inside of The Tower.

Anyway moving on. Not a lot to report on our group sections this time. I know that they are all enjoying the Spring programmes and working on the summer ones, which will be needed fairly soon, with Easter nearly upon us. I will know more in a few weeks when I shall be seeing leaders from all sections.

Quite a lot of information from HQ and County. Our next World Jamboree is to be held in Poland in July 2027. It is proposed that we will be sending a UK contingent, but final decisions rest on what happens in Eastern Europe. Lets hope that the Ukraine/ Russia problems are well resolved long before then. HQ is pushing for 35 hours per annum leave for volunteering which of course would be beneficial for our leaders, who currently use holidays for scout activities. Watch this space. Of course safeguarding and safety are still, rightly so, high on scouting priority lists With weather and contingency planning important. Plan in advance and change if necessary. Sensible advise.

Is also interesting to see what HQ does for us behind the scenes, working with major companies and organisations. Here are a few. Speedy Hire is working with scouting to develop a DIY badge. Dacia is working with scouts and leaders towards an Adventure Challenge Award. The Rail Industry Board is with us to create a pledge against railway trespassing with a prize competition. In store visits are being arranged with GO Outdoors, Airfix and Pets at Home. We are working with the Rugby Football Union to get scouts involved with local rugby clubs. We have teamed up with Gas Distribution Networks to create awareness to the dangers of carbon monoxide.

British Science Week is coming up and HQ is working with Rolls Royce, UK Space Agency, RAF and Raspberry Pi to bring resources and workshops to us. We have also teamed up with the Space Agency to update our space themed badges for beavers, cubs and scouts. There is also a new Explorers Space badge coming along from April.

In keeping with modern technology lots of webinars are being set up with Get into Teaching, Space Careers and Gulivers Theme Park Resorts. There are also free tickets available to attend the Royal International Air Tattoo through partnership with the RAF. It is really good to see so many organisations are willing to help with scouting. We are part of a great worldwide entity.

Also received an e mail from Chief Scout Dwayne Fields. This was to remind us that 22nd February was Founders Day. A powerful reminder that we are part of 57 million scouts worldwide. We have shared goals which is important in the world in which we live. Why 22nd February? It was the birthday of our Founder, Robert Baden Powell. His wife, Olave was also born on the 22nd. She was World Chief Guide, hence the day is also special for Guiding, calling it Thanksgiving Day. Dwayne goes on to say: Thanks to everyone in scouting whatever your role. It is not always easy and we have had to adapt to new ways and our digital systems! I think he may be joining me in The Tower.

An advert from County, they are organising ScoutX fun days at Bicton College at the end of July. Lots of activities that look like lots of FUN. However I think that 1st H will have their minds cast further afield with a certain visit to Tonder in Denmark.

That's about it for this time. However can't leave you without a

Having just had our Founders Day a few words from Lord Somers who followed Baden Powell as our Chief scout in 1941. He said that although BP had passed on from us, it was important that scouting continues. He said that we should follow in his foot steps and become scouts. So, come along and join us. You will get lots of fun, you will become strong and healthy, learn all about outdoor life like a pioneer or backwoodsman and at the same time you will make yourself a finer person and citizen.

How true. Rikki for one is pleased that scouting continues and grows from strength to strength.

Happy Easter to you all.

And, of course, keep smiling and whistling like all good scouts

Old Rikki



The Listening Book Club at Tiverton Library

n exciting new book club began last month at the Tiverton Library aimed at those who are unable to enjoy books due to poor eyesight, or those who find it hard to hold a book and turn

The Listening Book Club has been initiated by the Mid Devon Messenger, a local charity providing news and entertainment for people for whom it is easier and more enjoyable to listen than to read. Members will be able to express their reading preferences, their likes and dislikes in terms of genres as well as authors they enjoy and would recommend. The most important aspect of the group is the opportunity to meet and get to know each other. Creating a peer support group. The group is free to attend and runs on the second Thursday of each month

For more information, contact Helen on 07834688838

The Culmstock Big Breakfast - 1st March 2025

A big thank you to everyone for supporting the Big Breakfast this year, we raised an amazing £2061 for Cancer Research, 205 breakfasts were served! The money is going to help prostate and ovarian cancer research at Musgrove Park Hospital

We would like to thank the following local businesses for their kind donations of produce for the breakfast.

Fenton Farm Eggs

Morrisons Tiverton

Co-op Wellington

Waitrose Wellington

The Strand Stores (and a big thank you to Ed and Mark for helping sort the electrics on the day!)

Thank you to Denise and the cooking team from Hemyock, the raffle organisers from Uffculme and all the amazing volunteers from Culmstock.

Many thanks to all the local businesses and villagers who donated raffle

Looking forward to another Big Breakfast in March 2026. If anyone is interested in volunteering next year please contact Sally (07760 176445)or Alison (07973 669013) for more information.

Sally and Alison

Hemyock Bus Timetables

Seaton to Taunton via Colyton, Honiton and Wellington

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From 05 January 2025

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WESTLEIGH, Bus Shelter	0938
HOLCOMBE ROGUS, Whitebrook Terrace	0942
HOLCOMBE ROGUS, Frog Lane	0945
HOCKWORTHY, Village Hall	0950
STAPLE CROSS, Inn	0955
HOCKFORD WATERS	0957
HUNTSHAM, Shelter	1001
STAG MILL, Cross	1009
UPLOWMAN, Bus Shelter	1012
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The Parish Pump

St Andrew's Clayhidon

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St. Andrew's Church News

s the days get longer and warmer we have the delights of beautiful Adaffodils and flowers in the churchyard with birds examining places to build a nest. Soon it will be time to see migratory birds daffodils and flowers in the churchyard with birds examining returning after a flight of more than a thousand miles and perhaps this year we will see swifts using the special nest boxes for them on the side of the church room wall. How fortunate we are in Clayhidon to see so many of God's beautiful creations for which we can praise the Lord and give

Our church room has been receiving restoration and though not yet finished, it is already looking so much more splendid and much warmer. The church itself is about to receive similar treatment shortly after Easter.

On Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent, we had a special service of Communion preceded by 'ashing' for those who wished for it. It was made such a wonderful and memorable service by having the accompaniment of the Ad Hoc Voices conducted by Andrew Trewhella and the congregation was welcomed from the benefice including Hemyock and Culmstock. Lent continues for all the benefice with a joint meeting each Wednesday evening. We are following the book "Images of Grace" with its concentration on sin and repentance; forgiveness; atonement; and reconciliation. Then it is Holy Week. Much thought and prayer and singing will follow during these weeks.

On Palm Sunday we will be joining with St Mary's and All Saints to hold a joint service at Hemyock church. During Holy Week there will be evening services at 8pm and on Tuesday, 15th April, it will be St Andrew's turn. The Good Friday service at 2pm for the benefice will be at Culmstock church.

Easter Day brings the delight of a 7am sunrise service high on the hill in Clayhidon to which everyone is welcome and the Communion service inside the church is at 10.00. During MAY there will be the usual Sunday services of Morning Worship or Holy Communion at 10-o-clock.

Recently we joined Rosemary Lane Chapel for their service which we all enjoyed. There were two participants from St Andrew's and Jonathan gave us a rousing sermon before we all participated in friendship and refreshments.

The funeral of Peter Shere took place recently. We send our deep sympathy to his family. We also remember those in our community who are ill or suffering ill health. We send our prayers for your improved health and our very best wishes. Our good wishes go to everyone in the community for the joy of spring and a happy time to follow in this wonderful region of God's world.

P.Reynolds. PCC

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Coming soon to Clayhidon..... 2 x brand new two-bedroom social rent homes especially for local people

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We are a "not for profit" organisation and we are a Registered Social Landlord with Homes England and the Regulator of Social Housing

In the summer of 2025 (weather permitting!) we will be taking possession of 2 x two bedroom social rented homes that are, at this precise moment in time, being built in Clayhidon. Once finished, we will then be offering these homes for rent to local people at a social rent. A two bedroom social rent is, at the moment £520.00 per calendar month which is typically around 50% cheaper than a private rent.

Do YOU qualify to be considered??

- . Are you in need of housing that is affordable to you?
- Do you have a local connection to Clayhidon, Hemyock or Uffculme? If you 'need' a two bedroom house, is your household income under £57,100 a
- If you 'need' a one bedroom home, is your household income under £45,250 a year?
 (Note – the income figures are set by Devon Home Choice – NOT the Association)

If you can answer 'YES' to these questions PLEASE CONTACT US AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO WE CAN HELP YOU WITH WHAT TO DO NEXT.

Our telephone number is our preferred method of communication (we love a chat!) but you can contact us on any of the methods below:

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info@falconhousing.co.uk Email

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Likewise, if you want any information whatsoever about these new homes, or want to chat anything through, please contact us, we'll look forward to hearing from you.

The Parish Pump Rosemary Lane

Reflections From Rosemary Lane Chapel

The Light that Changes Everything

few Sunday's ago I made the short journey down to chapel to open up the building for our evening service. As I opened up the building, I stood looking out the window at the trees across the hills which, with the sun almost set, had been cast in a rich light of reds and oranges. It almost looked like they were on fire, such was the vibrancy of colour being cast by the light of the setting sun. It was incredibly this, Christ is at beautiful and, for a few moments, entirely distracted me from my duties. Only a few moments later, with the sun having disappeared behind the hills, the colour had gone. But for those few moments it was possible to see how the Sun's light changed everything.

To an even greater extent, this must have been the experience of those who encountered the brightness of the sun's rise that first Easter Sunday. The hours that preceded it must have seemed so dark to those who loved Jesus: The one they followed, the one they believed in, the one they loved had died upon the cross, been

buried and sealed in a tomb. All was dark. Those who hated Jesus conspired to sustain the darkness of the hour and had guards placed outside the tomb (Matthew 27:65). The disciples had scattered, were terrified, and had become lost in the darkness of those three days – but all the while, during those moments of pain, suffering and confusion, Jesus was at work in the Dark. In his death upon the cross Jesus decisively and definitively went to battle against the darkness, and when victory was won, light burst forth. Darkness could not hold back the light! Darkness cannot hold back the light of Christ! And His light changes everything! I am reminded of the words from a hymn written by Timothy Dudley-Smith:

See the sign of love appear,
Flame of glory, bright and clear,
Light for all the world is here;
Praise the God of love!
Gloom and darkness, get you gone!
Christ the Light of life has shone;
Praise the God of love!

The dominion of darkness destroyed, death defeated and the curse of sin crushed – Christ has Conquered. And for those who came to the empty tomb, the brightness of the Son's rising changed everything. The darkness of this world today may seem pervasive and your pain may feel like it will never give way. But, be assured of this, Christ is at work in the darkness of your life. In the face of the

risen, living, reigning Lord Jesus, the One who is the Light of the world, know this:

The darkness is passing and the true light is already shining.

1 JOHN 2:8

It is my prayer, that the dazzling beauty of His enduring light may be cast upon our lives. And that, not just for a moment, it would change everything! If you would like to know about the brightness of His light and the extent of His love this Easter then

we would love for you to feel welcome to join us at our services on Good Friday (4pm and 6pm) when we will be joined by Andy Hickford (Jubilee Leadership) and on Easter Sunday (11am and 6.30pm). That together, we would share in the good news that Christ is Risen from the dead, and all that it can mean for you and for me.

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

1 PETER 1:3

Ionathan Hillman

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On behalf of the fellowship at Rosemary Lane Chapel





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Bank Holiday Monday May 26th - **late May Steam Day** 10.30am – 4pm. The Mill will be in steam until 3pm.

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Sunday June 29th - Summer Fayre

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Willow Hare Decoration Workshop Monday 21st April: 11am – 1pm £15 and 1pm – 3pm £15

Foraging Basket Workshop Saturday 26th April: 10:30am – 3:30pm £45

For May workshops please visit the 'What's On' page of the Mill website, or phone 01884 840960.

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For more information phone Ali Dominy 07810768557 or use the "contact us" form on our website: http://www.spicelanduffculmequakers.com/ or email spicelandnotices@btinternet.com



I Wandered Lonely as a Cloud - By William Wordsworth

I wandered lonely as a cloud
That floats on high o'er vales and hills,
When all at once I saw a crowd,
A host, of golden daffodils;
Beside the lake, beneath the trees,
Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.

Continuous as the stars that shine
And twinkle on the milky way,
They stretched in never-ending line
Along the margin of a bay:
Ten thousand saw I at a glance,
Tossing their heads in sprightly dance.

The waves beside them danced; but they
Out-did the sparkling waves in glee:
A poet could not but be gay,
In such a jocund company:
I gazed—and gazed—but little thought
What wealth the show to me had brought:

For oft, when on my couch I lie
In vacant or in pensive mood,
They flash upon that inward eye
Which is the bliss of solitude;
And then my heart with pleasure fills,
And dances with the daffodils.



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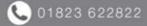


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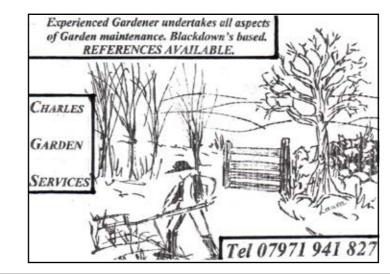
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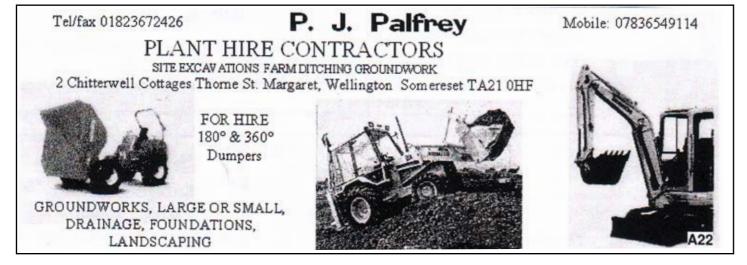
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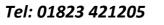
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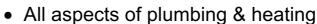


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