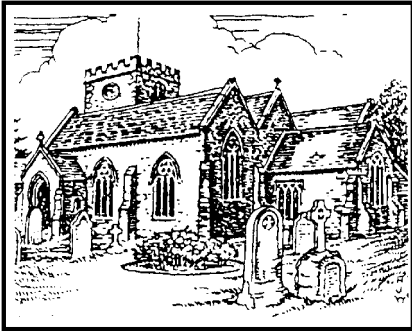
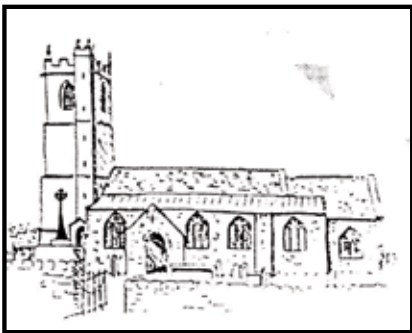


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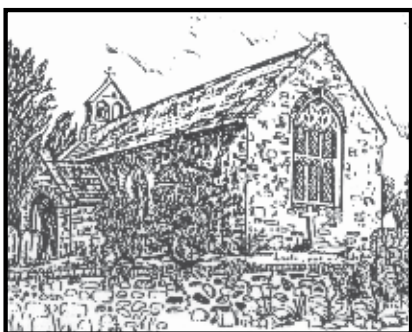
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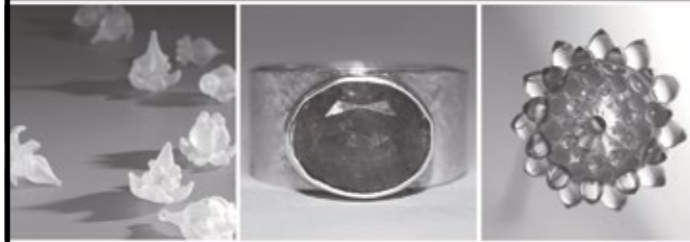
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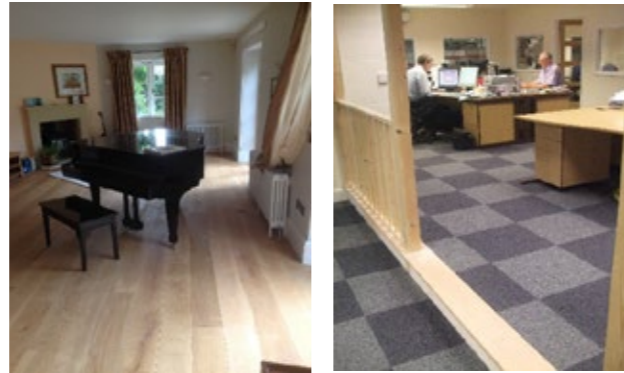
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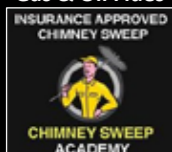
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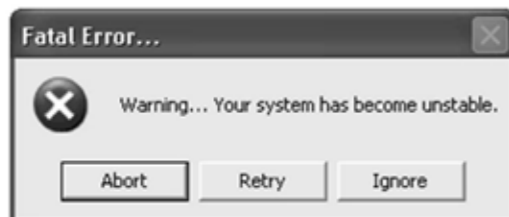
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June & July 2017

'To love God and to love our neighbour'

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To discover more about our Church Community, photos, news, links,
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HC = Holy Communion; MP = Morning Prayer; EP = Evening Prayer; FS = Family Service;
FC = Family Communion; BCP = Book of Common Prayer; CW = Common Worship

Services	Hemyock, St Mary	Culm Davy, St Mary's Chapel	Clayhidon, St Andrew	Culmstock, All Saints
Sunday 4 th June	10.30 am FS	No service	8.30 am HC BCP	10.00 am HC CW
Sunday 11 th June	11.15 am MP 5.00 pm Songs of Praise	9.00 am HC BCP	3.00 pm Open Air Service, at <i>Fields Farm</i>	6.30 pm EP BCP Joint with the Methodists
Sunday 18 th June	11.15 am HC CW	No service	6.30 pm EP BCP	9.30 am HC CW
Sunday 25 th June	11.15 am HC CW	3.30 pm EP BCP	11.00 am Joint Service, at <i>Rosemary Lane Chapel</i>	8.00 am HC BCP
Sunday 2 nd July	10.30 am FS	No service	8.30 am HC BCP	10.00 am HC CW
Sunday 9 th July	11.15 am MP, <i>Sea Sunday</i>	9.00 am HC BCP	10.00 am FS, <i>Cyclists' Service</i>	6.30 pm EP BCP Joint with the Methodists
Sunday 16 th July	11.15 am HC CW	No service	6.30 pm EP BCP	9.30 am HC CW
Sunday 23 rd July	11.15 am HC CW	3.30 pm EP BCP	10.00 am HC	8.00 am HC BCP
Sunday 30 th July	10.30 am Joint Eucharist, St Mary's 750 Dedication Festival with Bishop Sarah, at St Mary's, Hemyock			

Regular Mid-week services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Tuesdays - Morning Prayer 10 am at All Saints, Culmstock ❖ Thursdays - Holy Communion 10.30 am at St Mary's, Hemyock
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PARISH PUMP – No. 261 June – July 2017

Spiritual but not Religious

At the end of July we will be celebrating 750 years of St. Mary's Church, Hemyock – at least as far as documentary evidence is concerned – it is probably somewhat older judging by the Norman arches hidden in the base of the tower. But whether it is 750 years or 850 years, for the whole of that time it has borne witness to the Christian faith which was part of the social as well as religious fabric of the village during past centuries.

For hundreds of years citizens of Hemyock or Clayhidon, or anywhere else in England, would not have known much else other than the Christian faith as it was taught in the parish church by the local parson. Religion was part of the way things were, and the existence of God and the life, death, crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus would have been taken for granted. Times were often hard and everyone would have prayed – for a good harvest and children and cattle free from disease – and that they would not go to hell.

Apart from the Reformation period when the Roman Catholic practises were superseded by those of the Church of England it would have largely remained unchanged until two or three hundred years ago – new alternative chapels would have been established – but Christianity would have remained dominant. However, over the last hundred years things have changed – and in more recent times Christianity has become a minority religion – indeed religion itself has diminished in importance so that the parish church, or indeed any church, chapel, temple, mosque or synagogue has little or no significance to the larger part of the population.

Though 'religion' has declined very significantly, 'spirituality' I think, has not.

I have read that one of the many options to describe oneself when computer dating in the 'Religious Affiliation' category is 'SBNR', which you may know (I didn't) means 'Spiritual but not Religious'. And many people will be happy, today, to tick that box. Even I, would be tempted to tick that box.

There is so much about formal religion that many people find difficult, unintelligible or irrelevant. And it is evident that formal religion is in decline - as it clearly is not being found to be important for very many people – it might be the language, the ceremony, the need to believe in the unbelievable, the people who go to church are 'not like me', – or there are better things to do on a Sunday.

But very many people are aware of 'something beyond', something that can touch them deeply, which can't be put into words, but may be expressed in part in music, in poetry, in art, in nature, in silence..... in simply becoming more aware.

The discovery of techniques of mindfulness may link up to this, perhaps also the growing popularity of retreats, or getting more in touch with nature.

Whatever it may be, more people are aware of the reality of a spiritual dimension and its importance to them.

And it is certainly true that there exists a gulf between this and formal religion – between the 'spiritual' and the 'religious'.

Maybe God, if she or he exists, is trying to tell us something....

David

'CELEBRATION' FLOWER FESTIVAL

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, HEMYOCK

THURSDAY 8 JUNE
(11.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.)

FRIDAY 9 JUNE
(10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.)

SATURDAY 10 JUNE
(10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.)

SUNDAY 11 JUNE
(12.30 to 5.00 p.m.)

Free Admission

(donations for the Friends of St. Mary's)

Tea/Coffee and Cakes available throughout the day

Lunches available 12 noon - 2.00 p.m.
in the Church Room

Hemyock Holiday Club



Monday 31st July - Friday 4th August

11am - 2:45pm daily

at Hemyock Primary School

£1.50 per day or £6 for the whole week!

The Guardians of Ancora are back to follow up last year's antics with more fun, games, crafts & songs in an all new adventure; "Treasure Seekers". Come along and join the fun - just bring a packed lunch and your tuck money; drinks are provided.

WANTED

We're looking for some young leaders (age 14+) to help us out - so if you're up to the challenge (and up for a great rewarding week), give Maureen a call on 01823 680111 to find out more...

**St Mary's Hemyock
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Saturday 3rd

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All Age Service

with a shortened communion

Sunday 4th June, 10.30 am,

St Mary's Church, Hemyock

Join us as we celebrate the Birthday of the
Christian Church.

Singing, story, craft, snack and more.



The next All Age/Family Service will be on 2nd July at

10.30am



Organised by St Mary's and Culm Davy

**St Mary's Hemyock
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Saturday 1st

Tuesday 11th

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at 10am - 12 noon

in the Church Room, Castle Hill

And at the Church Fair on the 8th.

Come and see us soon

St Mary's Church Summer Fair & Scouts Open Afternoon

At the Parish Hall Recreation Field, Hemyock
(inside if wet)

Saturday, 8th July from 2pm to 5pm



Scouting Activities,

Cream Teas, Cakes and Savouries, Produce,
Barbecue, Books,

Children's Craft, Pocket Money Toys,

Side Shows, Raffles, Plants,

Second Hand Goods and More!

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Phone Jenny Doble 01823 680174 or Patricia Fuller 01823 680436

Come and have tea on the village green

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comprising the Churches of
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Good communication and IT skills are essential.

Further details and application form
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ucvmission@gmail.com

Closing date: Friday 7th July 2017

St. Mary's Church, Hemyock 1267 – 2017

As Seen From the Outside

The first written record of a church in Hemyock was in 1268, but
it is obvious that there was a building here many years, even
centuries, before that. Frequently a churchyard is older than the
actual church. Our forebears, possibly for more than 1000 years
have been buried here, and before the church was built the spiritual
needs of the parishioners would have been cared for by an itinerant
priest, preaching in the open air.

The church is dedicated to St. Mary. This has not always been the
case. In the very early days (up to the 1400s) St. Mary was the
patron saint, but after the Reformation she was dropped. In the
1740s St. George was the patron saint and by the 1750s it had
changed to St. Peter only to revert to St. Mary again in the 1760s.

It would appear that the earliest church was cruciform in shape,
with the tower at the centre of the building. By the 1300s the
church was changed and what you see now, in spite of several
renovations, would have been recognisable 600 years ago.

The wall around the churchyard was built of local chert in 1812 by
four families, (Lutley, Clist, Farrant, Wood) whose names crop up
again and again in the development of St. Mary's. The wall cost £130
and the money was loaned to the parish by Edward Lutley.

The gates were erected in 1813 and were hung from two piers of
Blackborough whetstone – a material that was famous for hundreds
of years as an ideal abrasive for sharpening scythes and hooks,
the Blackdowns being one of a very few sources of this very
special stone.

Our war memorial was built on the site of an old Church House.
It was the village poor house in the early 1600s and was converted
in 1838 to be the village school house. In the late 1880s it was
pulled down. Interestingly, had it remained it could have solved our
current traffic problems because it infringed on the road and would
have made it impossible for lorries to negotiate the corner!

There was a spire on top of the church tower from the late 1300s
until the end of the 1600s. It is thought that it was constructed of
wood and covered with lead, and this may be the reason why the
tower is so low.

The first clock was made in 1697, the present one dates from 1747.
The external dial was added in 1833; before then parishioners would
only have heard the chiming of the hours.

*This is an extract from "Some Background Notes to help you as you
walk around the Church" written by local historian Brian Clist and is
used with his permission.*

Come in sometime during this special year to appreciate the interior.

Val White

Chapel Café at Hemyock Baptist Church



Chapel Café is open every **Wednesday**, from **9am -11:30am**.
Everyone is welcome to drop in for good company and light
refreshments (free of charge). Any donations received go to
support our mission partners around the world who do such a
wonderful job helping those in need.

We look forward to welcoming you soon!

Thank you from the Lights Brigade...

We had a sold out Village Hall for
this year's Lights Brigade Spring
Dance with the amazing Carny
Villains. The band's mix of on-stage
antics and fast-paced gypsy ska
music had the whole hall jumping,
while in the Forbes Lounge, the
beer and cocktails flowed freely. DJ Phil the Floor played his part,
building the momentum before the band went on, and keeping the
happy punters moving right up to closing time.



The pics and films (mostly not too embarrassing!) are on our
website and facebook page (details below).

The Spring Dance is our fundraiser for the 2017 Christmas Lights for
the village and, of course, the early December Lights Parade. We're
delighted to have raised over £2,300, which will be well spent later
in the year!

We'd like to thank all the dancers and drinkers for helping us to
achieve such a great fundraising result. Thanks go to all the helpers
as well - ticket sellers (thank you Spar!), door squad, bar and
cocktail crew, hall dressers and cleaners, stage builders and cow
hoisters. And we'd like to give a big shout out to our sponsors -
Batchelor & Co., Geoff Taylor, Emily Pring, Richard Carman Ltd, VTG
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Practice.

This year's Lights Parade will be on Saturday 2nd December. Put it
in your diary!

If you want to see what it's all about, visit our website: www.lightsbrigade.org.uk
or check in to our Facebook page: The Lights
Brigade Hemyock. Helpers are always welcome, as are sponsors for
December's big event, so if you fancy getting involved (or for any
other queries) call Liz on 680351.

*Hemyock Lights Brigade - Tel 680351
<https://lightsbrigade.wordpress.com/>
Facebook: The Lights Brigade Hemyock*

St Mary's Church, Hemyock



Summer Lunch on Thursday, 20 July

in The Church Rooms, Hemyock
(serving at 12.30pm)

Also join us for

Flower Festival Lunches Thurs 8 – Sat 10 June



in The Church Rooms, Hemyock
(serving from 12noon to 2pm)
Choice of menus

Friends of St. Mary's present a concert



Somerset Songsters

Friday, 30th June 7.30pm

St. Mary's Church, Hemyock

Refreshments

Retiring Collection

Hemyock Acorns

We used to be the Over Sixties. We changed our name some years ago so as not to exclude younger people especially anyone who might like to accompany an older friend or relative. We meet on the third Wednesday of every month at 2.45pm in the Forbes Lounge. Our aim is to produce a varied programme with something to interest everyone and to provide a pleasant social afternoon.

On June 21st Rhoda Lock will be speaking on Conquest Stables and on July 19th Brian Standing on Dementia Friends.

In conjunction with Culmstock Evergreens, we organise outings once a month throughout the spring, summer and early autumn.

June 29th to Boscastle
July 27th Mystery Trip

There are often a few spare seats on the coach. To check availability, price and times, please ring Joan Fewtrell 01823 680674 or Hazell Barrow 01884 840698.

New members (men and women) always welcome. Subscription only £5 per year.

Val White, Secretary

Low Cost Complementary Therapy Clinic

Blackdown Healthy Living and Activity Centre announces further funding has been granted for the Low Cost Complementary Therapy Clinic.

Following the success of the Low Cost Clinic at the Blackdown Healthy Living Centre (BHLAC) in Hemyock we are delighted to announce that additional funding has been granted which will allow the clinic to continue and expand its remit. Positive feedback has been received from those who have used the clinic since its launch in 2016 and additional therapists have joined the initiative thereby widening the range of therapies which are on offer. All the therapists involved have agreed to significantly reduce their charges in order to allow more people to experience their services and receive the benefits.

The Low Cost Clinic initiative is designed to increase the range of services and support available to those of any age who need it for emotional, psychological and physical problems, have limited financial means and who live within the Blackdown Hills.

Complementary therapies can be extremely beneficial in helping people overcome a wide range of physical, emotional and psychological challenges. It is rare however for these to be funded by the NHS or Social Care services so people with limited financial resources cannot afford these therapies and miss out on their potential benefits.

Angela Dawson, Manager of the Centre commented, "BHLAC is passionate about empowering individuals of all ages to take sustainable and proactive steps towards a healthier lifestyle and greater wellbeing. We are delighted to be working with our therapists to make their services available to people who otherwise could not afford them."

The therapies available from the Low Cost Clinic are: Acupuncture, Alexander Technique, Counselling, Foot Health, Homeopathy, Hypnotherapy, Massage and Reflexology.

Brightside

The year started with a bang, with a surge in members coming along to join in the activities. February in particular saw 41 people and a buzzing atmosphere of conversation and laughter.

Amongst the varied activities enjoyed have been an 'Alexander Technique' Session with Jane Julier, water colour painting, conversation and objects recalling memories of our schooldays and among, 'too many to mention' other things, the planting of a large container, with invaluable help and knowledge from Julie Steed, which is now filled with a mass of thriving, fruited strawberry plants, yum! Each has a members name on it, with a view to future participation in yet another Of our 'worth winning' competitions.

Our next programme is about to be revealed with more new and enjoyable things to learn about, try and enjoy! Come and join us on the first Friday in June for a Sugar Craft demonstration and the chance to win a prize with your own home decorated cake.

Look out for details of our coach trip in September, all are welcome! Transport can be arranged. For further details please ring: Mondays and Thursdays: 01823-680687 and speak to Janet or one of the other 'brightside' team.

Janet Elworthy

Hemyock Youth Football Club & Mini Soccer Academy



At the time of writing we are playing our last matches in the Exeter Youth League – we have had a very successful season, playing some 60 matches since September and winning a few as well! A total of 66 enthusiastic girls and boys aged 6 to 15 made up the Club and we give thanks to the dedication and commitment of the Coaches and parents who gave freely of their time and energy at training sessions and at Saturday matches. As the season draws to a close, we have the following events planned:

Annual Presentations and BBQ Friday 9th June 6pm Longmead

Always a lovely evening on the field with a BBQ, music and a bar. Bring your friends to join in the fun.

AGM Monday 19th June 7.30 pm Catherine Wheel meetings room

All welcome. We are looking for a new Club Secretary – let me know if you are interested. It's a great way to get to know a few more folk and I've even learnt a little about football!

Signing on Night for 2017-2018 - Monday 31st July 6-8pm Longmead

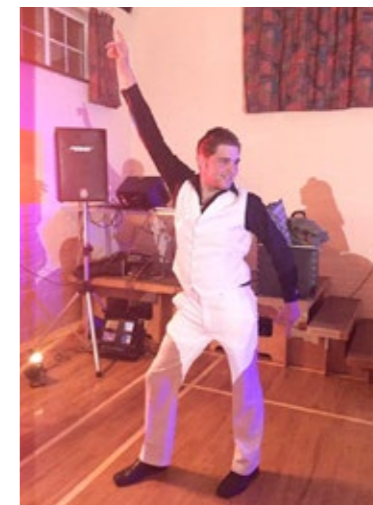
Forms are being circulated to existing players but it can be done in person as well. Bring along anyone else who may be interested in joining. We currently have Coaches committed to training U8s, U11s, U13s and U16s but we could do with more! Do come forward if you would like to help.

Anne Persey, Club Secretary 01823 680124

Valley Arts and Social Society

The new committee was voted on at the AGM, they are as follows: Caroline Pinder- Chair, Sally Cartledge -Vice Chair, Lynn Pulman -Secretary, Alison Robson -Treasurer, Gillian

Hawkes -Membership Secretary, Committee Members- Andrew Pulman, Alice Martin, Paul Featherstone, Bob Hawkes, Hilary Moles and Stuart Summers.



If you are considering joining the cast, technical crew or creative crew come to the first read through launch evening will be on 8th June and the auditions on 15th June, and see what it's all about.

We had an excellent time at the 70s social event, everyone entered into the spirit of the evening, it was like walking back into the 70s, some of the men even had hair again.

John Travolta made an appearance and performed some moves on the dance floor, we couldn't have asked for more!



We always welcome new members, if you are interested in joining our group contact, Caroline at cjpinder@hotmail.co.uk or Sally at sallycartledge@hotmail.co.uk, it is great fun and a chance to meet new people.

Caroline Pinder (Chairman)

Paul Moralee

Update on Paul Moralee's snowboarding season

Paul is now home having had 6 months training and racing throughout Europe.

He is doing well and enjoying it all. He has been asked to go back for a third year to represent Great Britain so he will be back in Austria in October.

We continue to fund raise. I am doing car boot sales so if anyone is clearing out please think of us.

Many thanks.

Elaine Moralee



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Would you like to help to make a difference in your Community??

There are almost one million lonely people in the United Kingdom at any one time. Many people live alone out of choice, necessity or circumstance and being alone does not necessarily always signify loneliness

What can be done to help??

How can we help them feel less lonely, help them to become more involved and more connected to their neighbours?

A "neighbourhood" approach could bring about a meaningful change and one such organisation devoted to bringing about such change exists in this area. It is the *Blackdown Support Group*. This Group was formed in 1991 and it reaches out to support and provide friendship to anyone in need within the Blackdown Hills area. This help and friendship includes assisting people who are suffering from illness, disability, advancing years, frailty or simply needing to know that there is someone out there who cares.

Could you get involved?

Would you like to reach out and volunteer to assist those in your community who may require help with shopping, transport to a doctor's appointment, advocacy in filling out forms, attendance at social events or even just popping in for a cup of tea and a chat? Half an hour a week can make significant difference!

The Blackdown Support Group needs YOU!

01823 681036 (ask for Barbara)

Hemyock Parish Council Business Update June 2017

Hemyock Parish Council held meetings in April & May. A brief summary of the business conducted at those meetings is as follows:-

Election of Chairman & Vice-Chairman

Mrs Heather Stallard was elected as Chairman and Mr Simon Clist elected as Vice-Chairman at the Annual Meeting of the parish council in May.

Planning

Applications received for:-

- 17/00324/HOUSE. Downmead, Culmstock Road, Hemyock. Erection of single storey extension to form carport and garden room, with decking area
- 17/00383/LBC. Oxenpark Farm, Castle Hill, Hemyock. Listed Building Consent for the reinforcement of midspan plates in timber roof structure, repairs to bases of timber arcade posts, replacement of wooden floorboards and timber lintel with concrete unit in the Milking Parlour.
- 17/00511/CLU. Pit Hayne Farm, Hemyock. Certificate of lawfulness for existing use of agricultural building as ancillary domestic storage for a period in excess of 10 years.
- 17/00288/MFUL. Home Farm, Bradfield, Willand. Erection of replacement storage and livestock sheds (1626sqm).
- 17/00495/FULL. Hill Farm, Clayhidon. Conversion of barn to 2 dwellings
- 17/00546/HOUSE. Shoebrooks, Hemyock. Erection of single-storey annexe and alterations to existing front porch
- 17/00548/LBC. Shoebrooks, Hemyock. Listed Building Consent for erection of single-storey annexe and alterations to existing front porch.

Finance

Income - included cemetery payments, interest, DCC P3 grant, precept, TAP fund grant, 106 monies. Expenditure - included room hire, clerk's pay and expenses, grass cutting, village maintenance, banking fees, defibrillator fitting, water bill at cemetery, subscriptions, training, benches, footpaths work and insurance.

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.

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.

First Aid Training

Do you want to attend a free 'Emergency First Aid at Work' training event on **Saturday 3rd June**, 9.30am - 4pm? The course will provide learners with the skills, knowledge and understanding to administer First Aid care in an emergency situation. It may be used to train employees to undertake the role of an 'Appointed Person' for First Aid. The syllabus covers dealing with emergencies, resuscitation (including automated external defibrillator usage), managing an unconscious casualty, controlling bleeding and recognising and addressing common causes of illness. Please contact the clerk to reserve your place. Donna Evans - hemyockpc@gmail.com - 01823 680968.

The training is being funded by the parish council with some financial support from Mid Devon District Council Town & Parish Fund.

Public Toilets

The toilets in the village are being refurbished by Mid Devon District Council. It is hoped that they will be re-opened by the end of June. Once complete it is Mid Devon District Council's intention to transfer ownership of this asset to the parish council.

Air Ambulance Night Time Landing

Following overwhelming public support expressed at the recent Annual Parish Meeting, the parish council has agreed to underwrite the £3,000 community contribution required for the installation of the necessary lighting, subject to approval of a suitable site. This means there should be no delay whilst the community raises funds for this worthwhile cause. Many thanks to those who have already contributed or pledged to contribute (1st Hemyock Scouts, individual parishioners and the Peter Holway Trust).

Defibrillators

Do you know where they are? We have 3 in the village.



The Garages Sports & Activities Centre



Longmead Pavilion



Parish Hall

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 first Wednesday of the month in the Forbes Lounge, Parish Hall. The next meeting will start at 7.30pm on Wednesday 7th June 2017. Minutes and agenda are displayed on the web at www.hemyock.org/index.php?topic=parishcouncil and may be found on the two Parish Noticeboards located outside the Spar Shop and in the car park next to the Baptist Church.

Clerk: Mrs Donna Evans, Park Farm, Dunkswell, Honiton, Devon EX14 4RN
Tel 01823 680968 Email hemyockpc@gmail.com.

Blackdown Hills Transition Group

So What comes next:

Well the news is once again full of electioneering & we are asked to cast our votes on the 8th June. But given the 'See Saw' experience of tariffs, more wind / less wind, tidal barrages good or bad etc. etc. it is hard to believe that any government is going to show real leadership for our climate. Not to mention the clamour of Brexit which tries to dominate everything when in actual fact our future experience is likely to be much more effected by the bigger issues of housing, food & flooding.

So what is to be done & where can we look for some genuine optimism. Well one answer, on your doorstep, is to come & see the Film Demain, showing at the Beehive in Honiton at 19:30 on Saturday June 10th. Tickets are £5 and are available to order at: www.beehivehoniton.co.uk/beehive-events/

This film gives positive examples of what local people around the world are genuinely doing. We might then decide we want to try some of these here. So no need to wait for our 'world leaders' to stop fighting or to come to an agreement (neither seems likely) Here is an opportunity to consider change for ourselves. Not change that needs to be organised on a massive scale. But change that can have a massive impact as lots of small groups of likeminded people get together to see what they can do.

If the missing ingredient is hope, then small local progress can add together to tip the balance bringing big changes. So please buy your ticket & bring a friend for a fun and inspiring evening. The perfect tonic for an election hangover.

Tim Clewer
Blackdown Hills Transition Group
07701053491

Funding for community projects



Do you have a project which will have an environmental, social or economic benefit?

The Blackdown Hills AONB's Sustainable Development Fund (SDF) gives grants of up to £3000 to encourage individuals, community groups, schools and businesses to try to achieve a more sustainable way of living in the Blackdown Hills.

Find out if your project qualifies and apply for a Sustainable Development Fund grant:

Tel: 01823 680681
Email: blackdownhills@devon.gov.uk

Dear Residents

I would like to record my thanks to all that came out and voted for me, I had an excellent result. I pulled 1932 votes, Simon Clist 805, Margaret Dennis 414, Fiona Hutton 298 and Jo Norton 224, this represented a 52.5% of all votes casted and a 35% turnout. I do thank all the candidates, the campaign was cordial without any slanging. Now it is over for the next four years, politics are set aside, it is my duty to represent everyone within the Parish.

To add to my success, I have been nominated as Chairman of Devon County Council, not sure yet what that will entail, but I know I will be busy, which might curtail some of my Parish Council visits. Nevertheless, none of my Parishes will suffer, my Parishes will come first, so please keep me up to speed with any problems you have and I will then try to sort them.

My report for this month is short as we have not got settled in yet, but the next report I will have more information. What we do know is that it will not get any easier. DCC has a £1.2 billion spend per year. Since 2010 Central Government funding has been cut every year, so now we have to operate with £267million less per year. It is going to get worse, because we will have further cuts of £60 million over the next 3 years, when we anticipate that grants from Central Government will disappear.

Just as a matter of interest, in 1960 DCC employed 40,000 staff. By 2009 it had reduced to 7,000 staff and today we operate with 3,600 staff. In the last 8 years we have had to make significant cuts to absorb these cuts with the funding that is available, it is not pain free while trying to maintain frontline services.

Ray Radford
Devon County Councillor
01884 820000

Hemyock Short Mat Bowls Club

Our Club has been busy over the last couple of months. We were very pleased with the team who play in the East Devon League, who came top in their division. Well done to all. Club competitions are under way and played with good spirit.

At the end of March we held our annual Charity Tournament. Twelve teams took part, travelling from the surrounding area and as far afield as Abbotskerswell and Kewstoke (near Weston Super Mare). As a result, a cheque for £400 will be handed over to Nick & Nicky Allen to support the Newlife Foundation/ Sam's Legacy work, which was our chosen charity this year.

Please come and join us if you would like some gentle exercise, it would be nice to have your company. We meet on a Monday morning, 10.00a.m - 12.30 and Thursday afternoon, 2.00p.m - 4.30. Please bring flat indoor shoes to change into, to avoid damage to the mats, is the only stipulation.

Doreen Perrott



BLACKDOWN
HEALTHY LIVING &
ACTIVITY CENTRE

Riverside Hemyock EX15 3SH

What's On at The Healthy Living Centre?

Cameo Club	Mondays and Thursdays most weeks of the year. Day care, activities and lunch for older people. Contact Tracy Howe for details on 01823 680687		
Bookworms	Every Thursday afternoon from 1.30 – 3pm, a drop-in play session for parents, carers, babies and toddlers. Contact Angela Dawson on 01823 680687		
Phoenix Group	On the first Tuesday of every month 10am – noon, an informal, drop-in session for carers run by Diana Cooper (01823 680175)		
Brightside	Every first Friday of the month, a day of activities, entertainment and good food for people who want to get out and about. Contact Janet Elworthy for information and to book on 01823 680687		
Memory Cafe	On the second Tuesday of every month, company, gentle activities and lunch for anyone affected by memory loss. Contact Janet Morison for information and to book on 01823 680687		
Classes	(Call 01823 680687 for class dates and info or see our website www.bhlaac.org.uk)		
Monday	Yoga	6.15 – 7.45pm	Julia Baldock
Tuesday	Keep Fit (over 60)	10 – 11am	Pauline Marchmont
	Pilates	5.45 – 8pm	Harriet Tubbs
Wednesday	Pilates	6 – 8.15pm	Harriet Tubbs
Thursday	Dance	7.15 – 8.15pm	Ruth Bell
Friday	Yoga	9.30 – 10.30am	Steph Leitner
Therapies	Acupuncture, Alexander Technique, Beauty Therapy, Chiropractic, Clinical Hypnosis, Counselling, Foot Care, Herbal Medicine, Homeopathy, Massage, Osteopathy, Reflexology – all by appointment		

Around Hemyock

Seldom a day passes when we do not read in the national press or hear of worrying matters that are caused by young people. Thankfully in the Upper Culm Valley these are few and far between. Our villages are full of children and teenagers who work hard to achieve; support events and activities and enjoy life. No doubt there will be items in this issue of the Pump where we will be able to read of some of these that Hemyock youngsters have been involved in - from uniformed groups obtaining badges and winning trophies to those who have taken part in this year's Exmoor Challenge or Ten Tors, to those enjoying and partaking in sports, achieving a Duke of Edinburgh Award or representing their school on trips both in the UK and abroad, as well as those working hard to achieve their best at school or college and being helpful members of our village community. Being a rural area many will move on as they progress through life to urban area and other parts of the world but hopefully all will remember the things they have learnt and enjoyed during their younger days and know how much we, as a community, appreciate all they attempt, help with and achieve.

Our Scout Group and Brownies led a large number of people to the St Georges Day service at the Parish Church after parading from the Parish Hall to a service they had devised. The talk was given by **Ricki (John Northam)** who spoke of the group's history and awards were presented by **Andy Batten** Group Scout Leader

Moving to the more mature age range all the family of **John Lewer** send him love and congratulations as he celebrates his 80th birthday on June 5th.

The coming months will see St Mary's celebrating a 750th anniversary. Apart from a special service with the **Bishop of Crediton** we look forward to a **4 day Flower Festival** and an **exhibition on Heritage Sunday** in September. For those who have lived here for many years a time to perhaps reminisce and for those who have moved here

in more recent times an opportunity to discover more about past events. Hopefully it will also be a time when perhaps we will be seeing folk who have moved away return for a visit and enjoy all that will be on offer.

Phyllis Dora Hole

Dora was a Hemyockian through and through having been born at Tedburrow in 1925. Leaving school at 14 yrs she first kept house for Mrs and Mr Prowse (Headmaster) later moving to work in the laboratory at Wilt's United Dairy factory until she retired. She married the late Ken at St Mary's in 1950. They lived at Millhayes and eventually built their bungalow on Station Road with a garden they both enjoyed. Dora loved dancing, car trips, especially to car boot sales, and making cards. She also had a large collection of figurines. Dora spent the last few years of her life with companion John at Westford, Wellington.

The family of the late Dora Hole wish to thank the people who attended her funeral at Taunton Crematorium and the buffet afterwards at the Catherine Wheel, also for their kind Donations for the Blackdown Support Group and Marie Curie.

Our love and prayers also go to the loved ones of **Lynne Jacinth Mathews** (known to all as **Jas**) and **Ruby Scoble** who have both died very recently after long illnesses. We also remember the families of **Neil Pearce**, who worked at Brookridge Timber, whilst many will remember **Trevor Sloman** of Culmstock who was married to local girl Maureen (Granger)

Amongst those who are unwell or have needed hospital treatment we remember **Wendy Baldwin, Gordon Cooper, Audrey Lowman, Diane Bradbeer, Margaret Ackland, Les Bowden, Meg Palmer, Shirley Dracott and Rev Ron Cork.**

Our Twinning Association will have welcomed French friends once again by the time you read this whilst the school and church will be preparing for summer fetes. Do look out for all the other activities

which will be taking place over the next couple of months including the forthcoming events at the bottom of the diary page which will hopefully prevent clashes of dates.

As this issue covers June/July we send all good wishes to those moving from Hemyock School to secondary education, those moving to colleges or work and those who will soon be at university.

Living at South View it was good to hear that the Parish Council hope to be able to replace the Recreation Field fencing (hopefully no more broken windows!) and play area.

St Mary's Church with Culm Davy Chapel recently held their annual meeting when donations to various charities were noted. In a recent copy of the Wellington Weekly News it was reported that a hundred years ago at the 1917 yearly meeting the following had been distributed; £20 to the Home Missions, £7 to Foreign Missions and £10 contributed to the sick and poor in the parish. Expense during the previous year had totalled £62 17s 9d – somewhat different to today but all relevant to the time.

If you should be reading your first issue of the Pump we hope you will enjoy the content as you learn about the area you have recently made home; to those moving on we wish all good health and happiness. Everyone is welcome to contribute to the magazine either directly to the editor (details in Pump) or through me at jbawler1947@hotmail.co.uk. We look forward to hearing from you.

With all good wishes,

Janice Bawler



The Blackdown Hills
Business Association
(BHBA)

The Blackdown Hills Business Association (BHBA) is a not-for-profit membership based organisation supporting the fantastic array of businesses that operate within the Blackdown Hills and the surrounding market towns and villages of East Devon, Mid Devon, West Dorset, South Somerset and Taunton Deane.

News

Lots has been happening at the BHBA HQ of late. The annual membership commenced in April so if you are, or work in a business that is located within the Blackdown Hills, now is the ideal time to sign-up for a year's worth of benefits, exclusive invites, discounts, monthly networking events, social activities, access to funding and of course have your business promoted on the new Blackdown Hills Interactive directory. We have also launched pitches for sale in our infamous Blackdown Hills marquee at the Honiton Show on 3rd August. If you are interested to exhibit please email: info@bhba.org.uk.

www.blackdownhillsinteractive.org.uk

This is an exciting new website dedicated to businesses, clubs, networks and activities all within the Blackdown Hills. Previously purely a business directory but now promotes local clubs, community news, places to dine, health and wellbeing, places to visit and so much more! This website is targeting not only local residents, but day visitors, holiday makers, but also promote the prosperity in our local economy, as a destination everyone must visit and explore. Take a look and see for yourself. If you own or work in a local business, lead a community group or host a public event and would like to feature in the Directory, please do contact me for full details. All listings will have access to the benefits of the Blackdown Hills Business Association Membership and be included in our destination marketing campaign.

EVENTS – everyone is welcome!

There are lots of local events on our calendar, including training workshops, networking events and relaxing socials encouraging everyone to attend and join in.

- **Friday 2nd June** – Wildlife discovery day with Blackdown Hills Natural Futures
- **Friday 9th June** – Free Business start-up planning and regulations workshop
- **Sunday 11th June** – Open Farm Sunday – Family day out at Forest Beef, Churchstanton
- **Wednesday 14th June** – Women in Business, Leadership, Communication and Time Management workshop
- **Saturday 17th June** – Bumblebee Identification workshop
- **Sunday June 18th** – Explore the Blackdown Hills in the footsteps of Camden Town artists
- **Wednesday 21st June** – BHBA meeting – an evening at Land Rover Experience (members only)
- **Saturday 1st July** – A Meadow Meander at Bishopswood Meadow Nature Reserve

For full details on all the events and how to book your place(s) visit www.bhba.org.uk/events

Our vision has always been to help achieve a vital, vibrant, successful and sustainable economy within the Blackdown Hills, with the purpose to provide a relaxed and supportive environment in which businesses serving the Blackdown Hills can learn, connect and grow together.

BHBA Co-ordinator: Claire Stepney

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**Preferably in Hemyock
Urgently!**

For storage of stage props for "Open the Book" drama in school assembly.

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Bakers Cottage, High St

01823 680952

davidberkley@uwclub.net



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Just use the offer code **GC1002C** to get the discount and Hemyock Scout Group will receive a donation for every 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



WHAT'S ON June 2017

Thu 1	Taunton Farmers' Market	Mothers' Union	
Fri 2	'Brightside' BHLC 11.00-15.00		
Sat 3	Churchinford & Wellington Farmers' Market	St Mary's Coffee Shop CR 10.00-12.00	
Sun 4	Whit Sunday	Garden visit, HGC	
Mon 5			
Tue 6	Phoenix Carers BHLC 10.00-12.00		WI FL 19.30
Wed 7	BSG Lunch Club FL 12.30		
Thu 8	Parliamentary Elections	Flower Festival (Celebrations), St Mary's Church - until 11th June	
Fri 9			Pre-school Quiz Night
Sat 10	C'mpton, D'Well & Yarcombe Farmers'	Talk on Guide Dogs for the Blind	
Sun 11	Open air church service, Fields Farm, Clayhidon 15.00	Open Farm Sunday, Higher Willand Farm, Churchstanton	
Mon 12			Young Farmers FL 19.30
Tue 13	Memory Café BHLC 10.30	St Mary's Coffee Shop CR 10.00-12.00	Tuesday Group FL 19.30
Wed 14			
Thu 15	Mobile Library		
Fri 16	Good Friday		
Sat 17	Hemyock Market	Wellington Farmers' Market	
Sun 18	Fathers' Day		
Mon 19			
Tue 20			
Wed 21	Longest Day	Tiverton Farmers' Market	Acorns FL 14.30 Parish Council FL 19.30
Thu 22	Honiton & Taunton Farmers' Markets		
Fri 23			
Sat 24	Uffculme Farmers' Market		
Sun 25			
Mon 26			Young Farmers FL 19.30
Tue 27		St Mary's Coffee Shop CR 10.00-12.00	
Wed 28			
Thu 29	Taunton Farmers' Market		
Fri 30		"Somerset Songsters" Concert, FOSM, St Mary's Church, 19.30	

	Hall	Forbes	Elsewhere
Mon	9.45-12.45 Short Mat 1.30-3.30 Badminton	10-12 Art 7.45-9.30 YFC every 2 nd and 4 th	Pre-School (Primary Sch PS) / Arthritis Group Dance Exercise, Over 50's (GS) 11.00-12 md
Tue	1.15-3.15 Baby & Toddler 7.30-9.30 Badminton	7.15-9.45 WI every 1 st 7.30-9.30 Tuesday Group every 2 nd	Pre-School (PS) / Brownies (CR) / Blackdown Total Fitness (GS)
Wed		12-2 BSG Luncheon Club every 1 st 2.15-4.15 Acorns every 3 rd 7.30-9.30 Parish Council every 1 st 7.15-9.30 Gardeners Club every 2 nd	Pre-School (PS) / Cub Scouts (CR) / Chapel Café (BC) / Blackdown Total Fitness (GS) / Primary School Coffee Morning 1 st week
Thu	1.45-4.45 Short Mat		Pre-School (PS) / St Mary's Choir (SM) / Walk & Talk (VH) / Bell Ringing (SM) / Clayhidon Friends 2 nd / History & Archiving 2 nd / Clayhidon History Group 3 rd
Fri	6.45-9.45 Short Mat (every Fri)		Pre-School (PS) / Seekers (BC) / Scouts (GS) / Teen Scene (BC)
Sat	10-12 Market every 3 rd		

WHAT'S ON July 2017

Sat 1	Churchinford & Wellington Farmers' Market	St Mary's Coffee Shop CR 10.00-12.00	Mobile Library
Sun 2			
Mon 3			Young Farmers FL 19.30
Tue 4	Phoenix Carers BHLC 10.00-12.00		WI FL 19.30
Wed 5		BSG Lunch Club FL 12.30	
Thu 6	Mothers Union, Fair Trade Gold (Culmstock)		
Fri 7	'Brightside' BHLC 11.00-15.00		
Sat 8	St.Mary's Church Fete, Rec. Field	Coffee Morning 10.00 – 12.00 Gladhayes Farm Barn	
Sun 9			
Mon 10			
Tue 11	Memory Café BHLC 10.30	St Mary's Coffee Shop CR 10.00-12.00	Tuesday Group FL 19.30
Wed 12			
Thu 13	Taunton Farmers' Market	Mobile Library	History Group CR 19.30
Fri 14	PUMP DEADLINE		
Sat 15	Hemyock Market	Wellington Farmers' Market	
Sun 16			
Mon 17			Young Farmers FL 19.30
Tue 18			
Wed 19	Tiverton Farmer's Market	Acorns FL 14.30	Parish Council FL 19.30
Thu 20	Taunton and Honiton Farmers' Market	Summer Lunch CR 12.30	
Fri 21	NHS Blood Donor Day PH		
Sat 22	Uffculme Farmers' Market		
Sun 23			
Mon 24			
Tue 25		St Mary's Coffee Shop CR 10.00-12.00	
Wed 26			
Thu 27	Taunton Farmers' Market		
Fri 28			
Sat 29			
Sun 30			
Mon 31	Holiday Club begins		

PH – Parish Hall
 FL – Forbes Lounge
 CR – Church Rooms
 RS – Riverside
 BC – Baptist Church
 SM – St Mary's
 SA – St Andrew's
 ASC – All Saint's Church
 CPH – Clayhidon Parish Hall
 BHLC – Blackdown
 Healthy Living
 Centre, Millhayes

Forthcoming Events

2017		
Sat	Aug 19 th	Hemyock Market
Mon	Aug 28 th	Bank Holiday
Fri – Sat	Sept 8 – 10 th	Heritage Weekend, St.Mary's
Sat	Sept 9 th	Autumn Show. PH
Sat	Sept 16 th	Hemyock Market PH
Sun	Nov 5 th	Marion Music, 450 Years On

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 sueliz.lambert@virgin.net by the "Pump" deadline date (This may stop too many clashes of dates!).

Parish Pump Deadline

August – September issue: 14th July

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 pump-adverts@lickham.co.uk

Times of Mobile Library (See "What's On" for dates)

Thursday (once a month, Week 4)

Clayhidon crossroads 1.15 – 1.45pm
Hemyock Parish Hall 1.55 – 3.00
Lower Millhayes 3.05 – 4.20

Saturdays (once a month, Week 2)

Hemyock Parish Hall 9.45 – 12.15

Also found on: www.devon.gov.uk/libraries

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 and must be in writing or email. Actual receipts for purchases made must be provided in due course.

More details can be obtained from the Secretary, to whom applications should also be addressed:

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

Longmead

The Pavilion is an ideal venue for smaller events needing outdoor space, birthday parties, christenings, family gatherings and of course meetings, the building is licensed to sell alcohol and 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 History Group Report

The life and works of Isambard Kingdom Brunel (IKB) drew in the crowds for the April meeting. The illustrated talk was by civil engineer David Greenfield PhD, whose thesis centred on Brunel and who provided great insight into IKB's working and personal life including his love-hate relationship with colleague and arguably, equal, William Gravett, and the success and failure of their widespread portfolio of projects.

IKB, an English mechanical and civil engineer, is considered "one of the most ingenious and prolific figures in engineering history", "one of the 19th century engineering giants" and "one of the greatest figures of the Industrial Revolution, who changed the face of the English landscape with his groundbreaking designs and ingenious constructions". Brunel built dockyards, the Great Western Railway, a series of steamships including the first propeller-driven transatlantic steamship, and numerous important bridges and tunnels. His designs revolutionized public transport and modern engineering.

Brunel's projects were not always successful but they often contained innovative solutions to long-standing engineering problems. What stood out was this Victorian's ability to make decisions and to implement schemes without today's red tape and bureaucracy. Of Brunel's former colleague Gravett it was said that 'he failed because he could not, or would not, conform to the ordinary ways of the men among whom his lot was cast'. Not a bad epitaph for a free-thinking creative genius; whether Brunel and Gravett could have had such a widespread influence in the 21st Century I fear not.

The May meeting concentrated on the interesting archaeological finds across the border at Longforth Farm on the outskirts of Wellington. Funded by Bloor Homes as the site formed part of their proposed development, the excavation of a late medieval manor, possibly of ecclesiastical origins was presented by Phil Andrews of Wessex Archaeology.

The site excavated by some of the Time Team members was visited by the Hemyock History Group just before the site was back-filled and returned to a grass field in 2015; the finds have now been collated and booklets published containing a report on the process of archaeological excavation and evaluation with computer-generated reconstructions based on the foundation remains and experience of other similar built forms.

All that remained were rubble foundations and random floor and roof ridge tile fragments, all of the roof tiles and stone walls having been robbed and reused elsewhere. The building had originally been of high status with images of knights on some of the remaining remnants of what was an extensive range of buildings and enclosures.

We invite you to join us at the Church Rooms at 7.30pm on Thursday 8th June, when Dave Ricketts will be giving an illustrated talk on Chard Museum. Cost: £2 members & £3 non-members (refreshments included).

Stephen Major, Chair – Hemyock History and Archiving Group.

Lifeline Alarm Service

Help Available at the Press of a Button

Our Lifeline alarm service is available to give peace of mind to people who feel at risk in their own home and is available to any Mid Devon resident of any age. It removes the worry of getting help or assistance and is monitored by specially trained operators who will never leave a call unanswered.

Other benefits:

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If you would like to find out more about how it works, the costs or to arrange a free demonstration, please contact our lifeline alarm service on 01884 234383 or email lifeline@middevon.gov.uk.



Hemyock Baby and Toddler Group



Tuesday Afternoons
1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
Term Time

Puzzles,
Books, Ride on Toys,
Soft floor baby play area,
Arts and Craft and lots more.

£1.50 per family

at
Hemyock Parish Hall

Mums, Dads, Grandparents and Carers we look forward to seeing you soon...
For further details contact Vikki 01823 680138 or Heidi 07771 771 980

Hemyock Gardeners' Association

The best Spring Show since I have been Show Secretary - so said Barbara Heaton after this years event!!! An absolutely stupendous display of tulips and more exhibits overall than ever before. Well done to all our members, and non-members who entered the open classes, for making it such a wonderful event. The Ploughman's Lunches were as popular as ever and Brenda, together with a band of helpers, managed to keep everyone happy.

In the absence of the Chairman, Barbara Heaton, presented the trophies as follows:-

Phyl Kallaway Rose Bowl	Best Exhibit in Classes 1 – 5	Gerry King
Val Wakeling Cup	Most Points in Classes 1-29	Kathy Jones
Webber Vase	Best Exhibit of Cut Flowers	Kathy Jones
Carnival Cup	Best Exhibit of Pot/Bowl of Growing Bulbs	Jane Smith
HGA Shield	Awarded for the best Pot Plant	Brenda Calcraft
HGA Cup	Best Exhibit of Flowering Shrubs	Julie Steed
Percy & Olive Salter Memorial Trophy	Best Exhibit in Hobbies and Handicraft	Amanda Morgan
HGA Rose Bowl	Best Exhibit in Floral Art Classes	Jane Attlee
Carnival Shield	Most Points gained in Floral Art Classes	Sandy Coe
Hemyock WI Shield	Most Points gained in Culinary Classes	Karen Pinder/ Colin Mitchell
Mac's Trophy	The Peoples' Choice in Class 42	Jean Churchill
The Butterwith Cup	Awarded to the Exhibitor with the most points overall	Kathy Jones

Yet again we had joint winners for the Hemyock WI Shield. Well done to Karen and Colin for this.

We had a very busy meeting in May, the Chairman had numerous local interest announcements to make, five new members joined us so we are fast approaching 60 in number, and then a very interesting presentation from Mike and Edna Squires, the owners of Feebers Cottage. Although not now members of the NGS scheme they kindly invited our members to visit Feebers and this will take place on Friday, 12 May.

We don't have monthly meetings during the summer months - normally everyone is too busy gardening - but we aim to visit some local gardens instead. This year, Kathy has organised not only the visit to Feebers Cottage but also to Butterleigh Gardens in June and Springfield House, Wendy Pountney in July. Members received full information about these visits at our May meeting but if anyone needs to know more please do not hesitate to contact a Committee Member. We do try and car share wherever possible when making these visits.

On Saturday, 16 September we also propose to visit the New Garden and Harvest Festival at Forde Abbey which is being organised by Toby Buckland. Names for this were taken at the May meeting and again, if you are interested, please let me know. An early reminder that the Autumn Show is on 9 September, at

2.00 p.m. in the Parish Hall to which all are welcome. I hope to get the schedules out to everyone early in July and there will be more details in the next issue of The Pump as there are one or two classes which are open to non-members. It would be lovely to see entries from non-members. As before, Ploughman's Lunches will be available from 1.00 p.m. Enjoy the summer - both gardening and also taking a break and maybe visiting other gardens, for inspiration!

Judith Major
(Secretary – 680746)

Do You Want To Play Mahjong?

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**West Buckland Village Hall
Every Thursday
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Never played before?
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Have fun, make new friends, exercise your brain!

Please telephone for further information
Sandra 01823 680036

www.tauntonmahjong.org.uk



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We can provide, morning sessions, lunch clubs and afternoon sessions, for your children to attend. All children are entitled to 15 hours of government funding, starting the term after their 3rd birthday.

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We look forward to hearing from you.

**Play Leader
Denise Wood**

Hemyock Pre School
Parklands, Hemyock
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1st Hemyock Scout Group

Hello again, welcome to Spring and a lovely one too. We of course like the fine weather as we spend most of our meetings outdoors. Although I guess the gardeners and farmers amongst you would like a bit of rain.

Firstly it was good to see so many of you at the St Georges Day Parade and Service. It was really good. You may have seen the reports in the local press together with a photo of our splendid young people, the brownies, cub scouts, scouts, explorers and leaders. We all enjoyed being with you for the service with some super hymns and songs. We look forward to being with you again next year.

After the service we moved down to the Garages for our Annual General Meeting which we have to have every year to comply with scouting rules. We re-elected Karen Pinder as chair, David Bawler as secretary and Gillian Hawkes as treasurer. Thanks to them for another year. Reports were given on the past year and they were all positive. Andy GSL said that we are the envy of the District with our active programmes, excellent leaders and parent support. As our group chair said in her report 'we are looking forward to another successful year' Rikki is sure we will achieve it. Well done to all who are involved with 1st Hemyock.

We will be with you again on 8th July for the Church Fete in the Rec. We will be showing you a bit about what we get up to and the activities we pursue. We will, as usual, be cooking up hotdogs and burgers for you to enjoy. See you there!

Summer programmes continue apace for all sections of our group. It goes without saying outdoors, of course! Summer camp will soon be coming along – 12th to 19th August up in the lovely Peak District. A part of the country that I know group quartermaster, Colin Grabham really likes and has done for many years. He and the scouts will have fun.

That's about it for now. Just to say retired scoutmaster Ron Cork continues his battle with cancer in Exmouth hospital.

And finally. This is from camp fire yarn no. 25. Remembering that this was written by our founder Baden Powell well over a century ago, in our current days of strict health and safety, things have not changed that much! This is what he wrote in this yarn on First Aid:

"Warning! You are not a doctor; as a first aider you should send for a doctor at once except for minor cuts etc. Your job is to prevent the patient from getting worse before medical attention can arrive. Of course, if there is no possibility of getting a doctor you must do the best you can."

As you heard us renewing our scout promises at the St Georges Service, part of it was that we always do our best in all situations.

Bye for now, back with you in a couple of months.

Old Rikki



1st Hemyock Brownies

We are enjoying the lighter evenings and have used them to play games down at Longmead, although it was rather wet on one occasion with the egg and spoon

being run under the shelter of the pavilion! We also did a trail around Hemyock taking in the various play areas. The girls who went on the residential had a great time and Tawny did do the zip wire which was absolutely terrifying! Everyone did so well facing their fears and working together to support each other, the food was really delicious too! Our fundraised for an animal welfare charity raised over £100 and all the girls more than deserved their friends to animals' badges. Snowy owl, Theola, Martha, Ruby, Fina, Baya and Annabel all took their Brownie Promise and we welcome them to Guiding. We really enjoyed taking part in the St Georges Day parade with the Cubs and Scouts.

We are working on our entertainers' badge, performing a play and the girls are busy making costumes and choreographing their dance routines. We are also going to look at healthy eating and lifestyle for our healthy heart badge. The girls are loving the newly decorated Church Rooms and there was an all round thumbs up for the choice of colours

If you are interested in joining Brownies head to the Girl guiding UK website where there is a huge amount of information or email me on annetumbledown@aol.com.

Tawny



The Guide Dogs local fundraising group is holding a Coffee Morning on Saturday 10th June from 10.30 am to 12.30 at Hemyock Village Hall to raise awareness of the work of the Guide Dogs charity and to recruit volunteers to join the local group. You would be very welcome to join us for a hot drink and homemade cakes. Come and meet our guide dogs and puppies.

Fundraising for Paul Moralee GB snowboarding season

Italian Meal 4 courses kindly cooked by Conrad Fielding.

Friday September 1st at the Healthy Living Centre Hemyock.

4 courses for £30. Bar available

Tickets from Elaine or Paul. Pre-booking is essential
Please ring 680119 or 07775 760977

Hemyock Bus Timetables

Taunton - Hemyock - Honiton - Seaton

Stagecoach South West
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Mondays to Fridays

Saturdays

Taunton, Castle Way (S-bound)	-	0850	-	1115	-	1415	-	1715	
Hockholler, Heatherton Grange Inn (SW-bound)	-	0900	-	1125	-	1425	-	1726	
Wellington, Post Office (SW-bound)	-	0911	-	1136	-	1436	-	1736	
Sampford Moor, Blue Ball Inn (SW-bound)	-	0920	-	1145	-	1445	-	1745	
Nicholashayne, opp Post Box	-	0924	-	1149	-	1449	-	1749	
Culmstock, All Saints Church (E-bound)	0729	-	0930	-	1155	-	1455	-	1755
Hemyock, Castle Park (NE-bound)	0738	-	0939	-	1204	-	1504	-	1804
Hemyock, Prowses (S-bound)	0741	-	0942	-	1207	-	1507	-	1807
Hemyock, Catherine Wheel (N-bound)	0743	-	0944	-	1209	-	1509	-	1809
Sheldon, Sheldon Turn (S-bound)	0749	-	0950	-	1215	-	1515	-	1815
Dunkeswell, opp Royal Oak	0753	-	0954	-	1219	-	1519	-	1819
Dunkeswell, Jenwood Road (W-bound)	0756	-	0957	-	1222	-	1522	-	1822
Combe Raleigh, opp Combe Raleigh Turn	0803	-	1004	-	1229	-	1529	-	1829
Honiton, Job Centre (Stop D)	0810	0815	1011	1015	1236	1240	1536	1540	1836
Honiton, Tesco Superstore (E-bound)	-	0820	-	1020	-	1245	-	1545	1841
Honiton, Waterleat Avenue (NE-bound)	-	0824	-	1024	-	1249	-	1549	-
Wilmington, White Hart Inn (E-bound)	-	0830	-	1030	-	1255	-	1555	-
Shute, Shute House (S-bound)	-	0839	-	1039	-	1304	-	1604	-
Colyton, The Square (S-bound)	-	0846	-	1046	-	1311	-	1611	-
Colyford, opp The Elms	-	0850	-	1050	-	1315	-	1615	-
Seaton, Health Centre (S-bound)	-	0852	-	1052	-	1317	-	1617	-
Seaton, Marine Place (Stop B)	-	0857	-	1057	-	1322	-	1622	-

-	0850	-	1115	-	1415	-	1715	
-	0900	-	1125	-	1425	-	1726	
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0741	-	0942	-	1207	-	1507	-	1807
0743	-	0944	-	1209	-	1509	-	1809
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Mondays to Fridays

Saturdays

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

-	0900	-	1200	-	1500	-	1700	-
-	0904	-	1204	-	1504	-	1704	-
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-	0935	-	1235	-	1535	-	1732	-
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BURLESCOMBE - TIVERTON Via Holcombe Rogus, Huntsham REDWOODS 697
Friday only (Except Public Holidays)

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	1412
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

This service is financially supported by Devon County Council

St Andrew's Church, Clayhidon



Easter time has been a very busy time but with some very happy memories. On Palm Sunday there was a long procession up the church path into the church singing 'Ride on in majesty' accompanied on the accordion. The joyous Easter Day began with 'Sunrise Service' held in a field high in Clayhidon when so many from all the neighbouring churches gathered together at 7am to sing praise. As the clouds lifted we could see the rising sun and we kept warm standing or sitting round the glowing fire. Our own Family Communion service was well attended and while the adults enjoyed refreshments after the service, the children delighted in finding Easter eggs hidden in the church or churchyard.



We have had repairs done to the organ and soon we will be having repairs to the south aisle roof. In May it was time for the first of our monthly **Coffee Mornings**. This was a happy event. There were some beautiful cakes which had been donated and a good start for a succession of Coffee Mornings to raise funds towards the cost of the new roof. In June the event will be from 10-12 and in July it will be at Gladhayes Farm Barn.

June 11th at 3pm is when we will have the lovely opportunity to gather for a Family Service at Fields Farm. There will be a BBQ afterwards and an occasion for a swim. On **June 25th at 11am** we will be joining with the congregation at **Rosemary Lane Chapel**. **July 9th at 10am** is Family Service for cyclists. Children and adults are welcome to take part in a cycle ride after the service before returning to eat their picnic lunch together.

We send our love and condolences to Bridget on the very sad loss of Tony. Our thoughts are with Maurice and Freda who have had mishaps. We remember those who are ill at present and any in need.

Churchwarden

St Andrew's Flower Rota

Firstly, thank you all for the beautiful Easter Flowers. The Church, as always when there are flowers in it, did look lovely.

For Sunday

JUNE	
4 th	Julie Bullett and Nicola Bendle
11 th	As above
18 th	Brenda Persey and Ruth Smith
25 th	As above

JULY

2 nd	Heather Drew and Margaret Prettejohn
9 th	As above
16 th	Lucy Ball and Alison Weekes
23 rd	As above
30 th	Julie Bullett and Nicola Bendle

AUGUST

6 th	Julie Bullett and Nicola Bendle
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If there is anybody who has recently moved to our parish and would like to have a go at doing the Church flowers, it would be lovely to have you. Please phone me on 680541.

Nicola Bendle

St Andrew's Cleaning Rota

MAY / JUNE

29 th May - 10 th Jun	Brenda Persey
12 th - 24 th	Rosemary Jones & Julie Heaton
26 th - 8 th Jul	Nicola Bendle and Heather Drew

JULY / AUGUST

10 th - 22 nd	Brenda Persey
24 th - 5 th Aug	Rosemary Jones & Julie Heaton

COFFEE MORNING

SATURDAY 8TH JULY

10 - 12

GLADHAYES FARM BARN

Raising funds for new Church Roof

News from Clayhidon

Service for World War I Fallen Hero

A memorial service marking the 100th anniversary of the death of one of Clayhidon's First World War heroes, Corporal Hubert Bright, was held in Holcombe Church, near Dawlish.

After surviving two of the greatest battles of the war, Hubert was fighting in the Machine Gun Corps when he was killed on 17 April 1917, one of 100,000 Allied troops to be lost or injured in the Battle of Arras. His body was never recovered.

Although his mother came from Holcombe, he had spent part of his adolescence at Burrows Farm, Clayhidon. His name and that of his brother who was lost at sea a year later, are recorded on the Clayhidon war memorial and on the roll of honour in the parish hall. Read more on the Clayhidon parish website local history pages.

Clayhidon Resident who Loved Africa

Dee Carter, of Brookdale, Clayhidon, who died in Musgrove Park Hospital on 20 March, was born in Nakuru in Kenya's Rift Valley on 5 November 1945 and remained in love with Africa for all of her 71 years.



Her great grandparents had trekked more than 2,000 miles from South Africa after the Boer War to create a farm near Eldoret. Her mother moved to Nairobi, where Dee spent most of her childhood, until the allure of the swinging 1960s drew her to London.

There, in quick succession, she married, had two children within a year, Vanessa (1968) and Richard (1969), before divorcing and returning to Kenya.

She was working for an advertising photographer in Nairobi in 1972 when she met Neil Carter, an already much-travelled young Cheshire-born agronomist working for Dow Chemicals. They married, had a son, Malcolm, in 1976 and a year later moved to Greece, from where Neil was asked to run Dow's pharmaceutical business in the Middle East.

The family lived there for four years, before Neil was transferred to Dubai, then a relatively undeveloped waterside city. Neil spent three years working out of the London office during which the family lived in Camberley before they were moved to Houston, Texas for four years, returning to London in 1989.

Dee and Neil wanted English schooling for the children. They chose Taunton School because it was the first public school in the country to go co-educational from 13. It was the Taunton connection that first brought them to Clayhidon. They bought Brookdale, near the Half Moon Inn, in 1981 but did not move in until 1989.

She was famously forthright in her manner and did not suffer fools. But she was, said Neil, "incredibly supportive" of their many house moves and a "first class mum", who didn't believe in mollycoddling children.

Before the long illness that ended her life, she was outgoing and party-loving. She loved music and dancing and was in love with Africa, returning time and again to visit her Mother who still lived in Nairobi and then latterly Nanyuki.

She is survived by Neil and her three children: Vanessa, who lives in New Zealand with her children, Will and George; Richard, who lives in Langford Budville; and Malcolm, an airline captain with Emirates, who lives in Dubai.

A private funeral was held at Taunton Crematorium.



Merry Harriers to be Rebuilt

The Merry Harriers public house is to be rebuilt and a national pub chain is interested in buying the site, says the owner, Reg Payne, according to the Wellington Weekly News.

He said he was planning a new pub on the site and hoped to be able to move it back from the road.

Mr Payne told the newspaper it would be rebuilt. The insurance companies had agreed a settlement, but this had taken a long time because the fires were suspicious.



Parishioners Learn First Aid

Twelve people from Clayhidon took part in an all day first aid course on at the parish hall, paid for by money raised at Drewfest.

Richard Drew was one of three parish councillors, with vice chairman Sue Hay and Alison Weekes, who took part. Others were Maureen Bendle, Val Slabbert, Kate Hopper, Casey and Thelma Blackmore, Adrian Hay, Alex Hill, Piers Pepperell and Chris Brake.

Ace paramedic Neil Fines put the group through an intensive course of emergency first aid in the workplace, including use of the parish's two new AED machines, automated external defibrillators. These are situated by the chapel in Rosemary Lane, and on the church side of the Half Moon pub.

The course covered choking, wounds and bleeding, fractures, broken bones, embedded objects, burns, unconsciousness and shock.

Parish Hall

It is still not known how much Clayhidon Parish Hall committee will need to raise to pay for improvements to the building, but the annual meeting was told that the previous year had shown a marked boost in its finances. This was put down to a successful year for lettings, live events and film nights, plus a £2,000 donation from the Parish Council.

The hall committee and its helpers worked hard to produce another year of live entertainment, film shows and other community events. They have cooked and generously donated food and raffle prizes and, given much time and effort in preparing for and running events. At the same time, we they have been looking to the future, with comprehensive plans to refurbish the hall and build an extension.

The committee was re-elected en bloc, with the addition of Neil Carter, who has been asked to co-ordinate the building project. Officers re-elected were Gareth Weekes, chairman; Lucy Ball, vice chair; Caroline King, secretary and Sandra Aldworth, treasurer.



Bus Shelter Mystery Explained

Who uncovered the bus shelter at Clayhidon Crossway? Several residents have been wondering who has cleared up years of ivy and undergrowth from the shelter recently. The answer is Chris Houghton, Clayhidon's new parish lengthsmen, who has been working in the parish since the autumn.

The parish council has been unhappy for years at the lack of work done by Devon County Council on this kind of maintenance of parish drains and roads and finally, last year, agreed to get the work done itself.

Mr Houghton had agreed to be a road warden initially and has had Highways training last November and been given lengthsmen equipment.

At the last meeting of the parish council, councillors agreed a payment of just over £1000 to Mr Houghton for village maintenance work from October to April. Chairman Richard Kallaway thanked him for his work and said he hoped parishioners were aware that it was taking place.

Clayhidon Local History Group

In March we had a most interesting talk given by legal expert David Pugsley when he recounted the case of Mrs Jane Leigh-Perrott, the aunt of Jane Austen. She had been accused of stealing some white lace when she had gone to a shop to buy some black lace. At the court held in Taunton, she was forbidden to speak in her own defence and if found guilty could have been hanged or deported to Australia. Fortunately, she was not guilty.

Colin Spackman came to talk to us in April about a thousand years of Wellington history which he was able to illustrate. This again proved a fascinating talk and stimulated many questions and answers.

Our forthcoming meetings in summer are visiting other places of interest. In May we usually visit an interesting church, so this year it will be to Hatch Beauchamp church which has a fascinating history and remarkable bench ends. There will be an expert on hand and we will be socialising together afterwards. June's visit has had to be changed but we are hoping to arrange a very local house visit. In July there will be experts with us again on a visit to Dunkswell aerodrome.

Do ring 680481 if you would like to come and join us on one of our visits. We will be resuming meetings in the Church Room on the third Thursday of each month starting in September.

Pam Reynolds

Clayhidon Friends

Clayhidon Ladies welcomed Rhoda Locke from the Conquest Centre, Norton Fitzwarren to their monthly meeting on 13th April, 2017 at the Village Hall, Clayhidon. She gave a brief history of the Centre, which was founded in 1965 and became a Charity in the late 80's.

The Conquest Centre provides horse-based activities for persons with disabilities and additional needs, which in turn benefit their health and well-being. The work of the volunteers and skilled staff focuses on ability, rather than disability and aims to allow each individual to achieve their personal goals. Ages range from toddlers to 80 plus and has a foot-fall of 200 adults and children per week, as well as families, carers, students, volunteers, public riders and local clubs and associations.

The 14 horses (average age of 20 years) and the facilities of indoor and outdoor floodlit arenas, provide a variety of learning tools. The areas can be hired by clubs and associations out of teaching hours. The Ladies group were told of the benefits given to the riders from the warmth and love of the horses. Back-riding, where instructors ride and move in the saddle with the child, brings positive results. Balance, core strength, language and processing developments improve the riders' emotional and social skills.

Within the Centre the Woodland Trail enables all to enjoy the countryside. The Sensory Room relaxes and improves co-ordination and language and an outdoor play and picnic area enables all to relax in a non-judgemental rural environment.

Rhoda enthused on the work and achievements of the Centre. She gave an open invitation to witness the remarkable work carried out by the trained staff, volunteers and students of the Conquest Centre and Beehive Café, enabling those with special needs the opportunity to gain work and life skills. The Centre holds a variety of events throughout the year and promotes the charitable centre by its presence at local functions.

Sylvi Easwick

Clayhidon Friends (Continued)

For our meeting on 11th May we welcomed Yvonne Whittamore. Yvonne demonstrated the art of making articles with fabric. First of all she showed us how to make flowers out of cotton. Then for a different approach used synthetic materials, as in her process she uses heat and natural fibres burn easily. Using Organza she cut differing size circles and carefully melted the edges with the use of a tea-light. After layering the circles up, she glued them and decorated them most effectively. Sometimes she sews the whole thing onto felt as a backing. Although Yvonne said it was time consuming, an hour and half on each, it was a passion for her and she delights in seeing what new ideas evolve by using different methods and materials. She has runs a small business which includes courses at her home.

Along with the flowers, she makes items for weddings such as napkin holders, table decorations, wine glass identifiers and bride's maids head decorations. Her repertoire extends to Alice bands, gift boxes, shoe decorations, scarf circles and she produces cards made up from photographs of her wares.

Our Group thoroughly enjoyed her demonstration and marvelled at the truly impressive samples that were passed around amongst us. We had time for a few of us to attempt to replicate the samples and had the opportunity to purchase some of them. She also sells kits to make yourself at home.

After the Demonstration and Talk Linda and Tessa provided delicious tea and cakes, which along with lots of talk amongst ourselves was a very delicious and welcome conclusion to a successful evening. Our Group meets on the second Thursday of every month in Clayhidon Parish Hall. We are an informal gathering and always welcoming to any prospective new member. If you are interested in joining us please contact Anne Langford 01823 680086 or come along to our next meeting on June 8th.

Anne Langford

Clayhidon Parish Council Update June 2017

Clayhidon Parish Council held meetings in April & May. A brief summary of the business conducted at that meeting is as follows:-

Election of Chairman & Vice-Chairman

Richard Kallaway was elected as Chairman and Sue Hay elected as Vice-Chairman at the Annual Meeting of the parish council in May.

Planning

Applications received for:-

- 17/00465/HOUSE. Highfields, Clayhidon. Erection of replacement sunroom and porch.
- 17/00449/HOUSE. Bollhayes Park Farm, Clayhidon. Erection of garden room and associated landscaping.
- 17/00578/CLU. Glebe Farm, Clayhidon. Certificate of lawfulness for the existing dwelling built not in accordance with the approved plans of Planning Permissions EN.6150/1/1 for a period in excess of 4 years.
- 17/00666/HOUSE. Far Longham, Clayhidon. Erection of extension to farmhouse and landscaping works

Finance

Income – precept, grant from DCC P3, grant from Devon Highways for tools, interest and rent from church field.

Expenditure - clerk's pay, expenses, subscription, rent for church field and lengthsman work. The council made the following grants:-

- £450.00 to St Andrew's Church to contribute towards the costs of the work on the hedges at the churchyard.

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.

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.

Defibrillators

Do you know where they are? We have two defibrillators in the parish.



Rosemary Lane Chapel



The Half Moon

Parish Lengthsman

The parish has a trained lengthsman. The parish council has received a grant from the Devon Highways Community Enhancement Fund and has purchased equipment/tools for the lengthsman to use. So far the lengthsman has spent 55 hours inspecting and clearing out road drains and ditches and cleaning road signs in the parish. He has also cleared the shelter at the top of Battle Street. Please report any problems with ditches/drains to the clerk or a councillor.

Extension to car parking at Village Hall

Now that the transfer of land to the parish council has been completed, it is hoped that work will shortly commence on providing the additional car parking spaces adjacent to the Parish Hall. The project will provide an additional 13 parking spaces. Russell & Caroline Bendle are thanked for their generous donation of land.

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. The next meeting will start at 7.30 pm on Monday 12th June 2017. (A planning meeting will be held at 7.30pm on the second Monday of the alternate month, if necessary). Minutes and agendas are displayed on the web at www.clayhidon.org and a schedule of meetings may be found on the Parish Noticeboards.

Clerk: Mrs Donna Evans, Park Farm, Dunkeswell, Honiton, Devon EX14 4RN. Tel: 01823 680968. Email: clayhidonparishcouncil@gmail.com.

News From Rosemary Lane Chapel



After a long dry spell my rain gauge recorded one and a half inches last night which will do the reservoirs, farms and gardens a good turn. But there was sunshine at the Easter Sunday morning sunrise united service (see pic) in a field next to the old quarry off Grays Lane, Clayhidon.

Interestingly one could draw somewhat of a connection between the resurrection of Christ and the quarry (now of course overgrown – see pic) for it was the stones and sand from the quarry

that were used to build Rosemary Lane Chapel just over 150 years ago – well reported in the book Strength of the Hills by Ron White. The gathering at the quarry followed very worthwhile Good Friday meetings when David Beazley from Sainthill spoke of Christ's seven last sayings from the Cross (see pic below of the music group in action at one of the meetings).



Talking of united efforts the Blackdown Hills Churches' next meeting of Barn Praise will be held before you read this, at the Taormina Barn, Kerswell on 14th May. Then on Sunday morning, 25th June, we are expecting our friends from St. Andrews to join us for a combined service. We also continue to be encouraged by various members of our fellowship who are involved in the Lunch and Tea clubs at the chapel, Street Pastors in Wellington, Torch Trust, Gideons, Open the Book and Taunton Chaplaincy.

The other major event coming up is our Anniversary Service on Sunday 2nd July when Chris Down from Exeter is expected as our speaker. Usually the Sunday School and Bible Class outing is on the following Saturday, but this year we are trying something a bit different with an outreach Fun Day a week before on Saturday 24th June which will be in the chapel grounds.

We began our news this time reflecting on the events around Easter and in a few days time on 25th May there will be remembrance of Jesus' ascension into Heaven where He sits at His Father's right hand preparing for His coming a second time. Our nation is preparing for a General Election on 8th June and as Christians we have the hope that whatever the political outcome may be with so many nations in upheaval, including our own Brexit, the time will come when :-

"at the name of Jesus every knee will bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." (Philippians 2 v10-11)

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On behalf of the Leadership Team,

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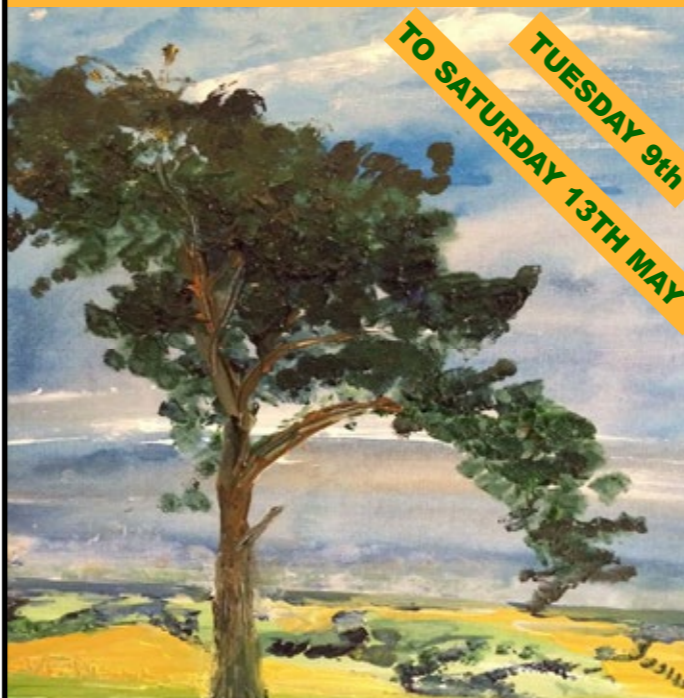
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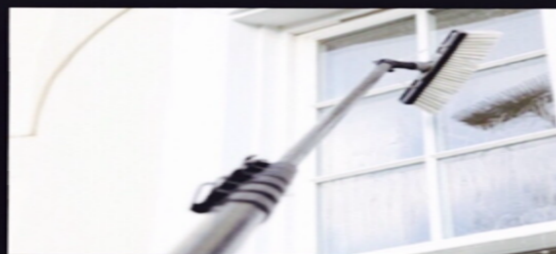
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