

Link-Up

June

2018

E-Magazine

From the Editor

If you want to walk, talk, play, spend, hike, bike, eat, plant, watch, ring or sing – I think you will find something to your liking in the following pages. Pick and mix, it's up to you!



Link-Up Magazine Chairman's Annual Report: April 2017 to March 2018

The Annual Public meeting was held on Monday 9th April, 2018. There were no members of the public in attendance and so I hope we are right in taking this to mean you all think we are doing a good job? Comments from readers are welcome at any time.

We are currently producing 12 editions of the magazine per year and 865 copies are distributed each month. Production and delivery of the magazine is supported by approximately 60 volunteers; **thank you again, there would be no magazine without you.** If anyone wishes to get involved in the production of the magazine please contact me, Sheila Jones on 01823451170 or sheilayarford@yahoo.co.uk.

Should you wish to contribute an article or letter to the magazine please get in touch with the editor of the month (see page 2 of the magazine for contact details).

Accounts for the year ending Dec 2017 were approved. The total balance was £4315.93, there was a small deficit against income of £44.08. Given the funds in hand we will not be making a general request for donations this year.

Sheila Jones, Chairman of Link-Up Board

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DEADLINE FOR JULY MAGAZINE:-

FRIDAY 15th JUNE 2018

Hard copy contribution by:

10.00am 'Tara' Cheddon Fitzpaine
(*Bungalow next to church*)

10.00am Fyne Court Farm, Broomfield

12.00noon Benefice Office, The Vicarage, KSM

E-mail contributions to the editor by:

12.00noon Only e-mails clearly marked 'Link-Up'
will be opened and acknowledged

Collation: 2.00pm at KSM Village Hall Thursday 28th June

Distribution: From Friday 29th June

The Bells of the Church of St Mary the Virgin Kingston St Mary

The elegant tower, built around 1490, is recorded as one of the finest in the country and houses six bells. Five of the six bells are listed on the Church Building Council database of historical bells. In particular the 3rd and 4th Bells are two of the oldest bells in the world still being rung full circle.

The Treble (1730) and second bell (1736) were cast by Thomas Wroth of Wellington. The 3rd (c 1400) and 4th (c 1450) were cast in Bristol. The 5th (1634) was cast by William Wiseman of Montecute and the 6th (1622) was cast by George Purdue of Taunton.

The bells are mounted on elm headstocks and are housed in an oak frame (1928) in which they rotate full circle for ringing on ball bearings fitted in 1968.



In 1990 the bells were requiring more effort to ring and the Bath & Wells Bell Advisor recommended that the bells should be rehung on metal headstocks. The deterioration has continued and the bells are now very difficult to control by experienced ringers and are not safe to train new ringers.

A faculty has been granted by Diocese of Bath & Wells Advisory Committee to restore our historical bells. On the week commencing the 25th June, John Taylor Bellfounders with the help of a local working group will start the procedure of removing the bells from the tower. At the end of the week the bells will be transported to their bell foundry in Loughborough.

Four of the bells require specialist welding after which all the bells will be remounted on cast metal headstocks with new self-aligning double row bearings together with all new fittings. The bells will be returned for rehanging in the existing oak frame sometime in Oct/Nov. While the bells are away the existing frame and the

supporting beams will be examined and any repair work carried out.

Kingston St Mary CE Primary School will be conducting a project as a record of this unique and historical bell restoration. CCTV cameras will be installed in the ringing and bell chambers to record the removal and re-installation of the bells and posted on line.

This restoration has been approved by the PCC and made possible by the full support of the Friends of Kingston Church. On completion these ancient bells will be preserved for many future generations and will once again be a pleasure to ring. More importantly it will enable younger ringers to learn and enjoy the art of bell ringing to ensure these bell continue to call people to church.

The Church Tower will be open from 10am to 11am on Saturday the 9th June for anyone who would wish to see the bells before their removal.

John Lock

Happy
Birthday!

To...
Harry Way 10
Anna Bradshaw 11
Charles Bradshaw 6

Across the Field

Suddenly we have baby robins at the back door. They know where they are well off for food. The parent birds are very tame and hop into the plastic container which holds their favourite food even when it is inside the porch. The blackbird looks on enviously but it's a bit wary about coming in.

Our frogspawn survived the frosts and has developed well. Don't forget to feed them a bit of raw meat, they love it, and you can see how many you have of 'black wriggly' tadpoles.

The cuckoo has been heard at Stairfoot/Cushulsh area on May 3rd. I hope lots of people hear it this year. Thank you, Lyn, for the phone call.



We have three cock pheasants that visit each day to pick up the fallen bird seed. One is very haughty, one is very timid, the third one comes running to you when you call him 'Nutty'. He will allow you to put a handful of peanuts on the ground and will watch while you crush them with your foot. We don't want to choke him with big peanuts.

Rainfall for April 2018 69mm April 2017 21mm
Janet Lovell

Cuckoo!



The inimitable sound of the cuckoo heralding the arrival of summer was mentioned above in 'Across the Field' The following was sent in which you might find interesting. **Ed.**

Although the cuckoo's call is beautiful, it is to the detriment of the Meadowpipit (the unassuming host). In Welsh the surrogate parents are known as the Cuckoos Knave / Gwasy Gog.

Nick Mill Cross

Link Up - Can you help?

Do you enjoy reading our Link Up magazine? Would you like to get involved with the magazine in some way? We rely on **60 plus volunteers** throughout Kingston, Broomfield and Cheddon to keep this well-oiled wheel going! We already have a merry band of contributors, collators, duplicators, distributors, editors and board members but we are currently looking for more volunteers. So, what's involved in the production of 875 copies of Link Up?

Contributors, some regular, submit articles and events information to the Editor of the month. The Editors are responsible for putting the magazine together, organising the layout to fit the space, tweaking where necessary and adding their own touch.

The Duplicators print two mornings a month to print the yellow page advertisements and the editorial pages and covers. This takes 1 to 2 people about 3 - 4 hours for each session.

The Collators put together the white pages (editorial), the yellow pages (adverts) and cover of the magazine. Collation mostly takes place in KSM Village Hall usually (but not always) on the last Thursday of each month. The whole process takes about 2 hours max and starts at 2pm. Refreshments are provided!! Usually there are approx. 18-20 volunteers at each session.

The Distributors are responsible for delivering copies of LU to households near to where they live. Bags containing the correct number of magazines are collected from a designated collection point and delivered by the 1st of the month.

Has this got you interested??

Then please contact me on 01823 451732 or jean.alger-green@hotmail.com for more information.

I look forward to hearing from you!

Jean Alger-Green Secretary, LU Magazine

Window on the Past

VILLAINY AT FARM – GOINGS ON AT PYRLAND



More details of the break in at Pyrland Hall in February 1788. "Since Monday last, many discoveries have been made here respecting the burglary, violent assault and other crimes lately committed at Sir William Yea's at Pyrland in this neighbourhood and

such a scene of villainy begin to unfold itself as is scarcely to be paralleled.

Six persons were principally concerned on the 8th of last month, four of whom were taken, but the villains who entered the house with blackened faces are not of the number. It appears that the servant boy, who saw Sir William and his son so ill treated at that time, was in the plot and opened the door to let the others in; he is turned King's evidence and his testimony is corroborated by other witnesses of good repute. A substantial farmer, his wife and two brothers were concerned, it is said, in aiding and abetting the burglary and furnishing pistols and cords to bind the family. A certain quondam lady too, it is supposed, is not wholly ignorant of this business and if all be true that is related of the many servants and dependants of this gentleman, it affords a most astonishing instance of depravity among them. Innumerable are the depredators and stealers of deer, sheep, wool and fowls that have already been discovered; five of these also are in prison and several more are expected to be brought in thither tomorrow. Men, women and children have all been conspirators and the whole country is in uproar.

We have strong evidence of 20 deer and as many sheep having been slaughtered and devoured in an old farmhouse belonging to Sir William. The chambers of this house are a perfect Golgotha and horse loads of deer skins have been sold at a time from hence. Three or four years' wool was stolen out of the lofts over his stables, packed up in the open court and carried off without interruption during his absence. The deer were killed early in the morning if the

Baronet was at home or shot openly in the middle of the day if absent. The sheep were mostly eaten by his out-of-door workmen and dependants and 5 or 6 at a time have been driven away and sold by person of this description. Five ewes and lambs, returning home after they had been stolen and sold in the neighbourhood, were stolen again a few nights afterwards and effectually removed. These thieves used to play at cards on these nights of feasting and the stake to be played for was always declared, perhaps 3 or 4 turkies, geese or duck etc, and the loser was to go forth and steal them against the next entertainment or undergo a punishment; of all these things I have strong proofs. CW Bampfylde Esq and the Mayor and Justices of Taunton have been extremely vigilant in their endeavours to discover and secure this nefarious tribe and still persevere to the utmost in their laudable researches, in which they have every reason to hope for success.” (From the Salisbury Journal)

And they did, Samuel Yandell being executed for his part in the affair at Dodhill Green and several others being transported. Sir William died in 1806, his widow in 1829 and that year the house was advertised to let furnished.

“This capital Mansion House with well stocked fishponds, extensive Gardens and Pleasure Grounds. The House consists of a large entrance hall, dining and drawing room, library and morning room, 9 best bedrooms, 3 dressing rooms, servants rooms and domestic offices of every description, on a scale sufficiently large for a considerable establishment, with good stabling, coach houses, farmyard and other conveniences. It stands in a commanding position with beautiful and extensive views in a very desirable neighbourhood and in rich and beautiful country with excellent roads.”

In January 1838, the River Tone, the canal and also Pyrland Hall lake froze. RM King Esq, the then owner of Pyrland, “repeatedly despatched his servants from his hospitable mansion to the scene of recreation with oft-replenished jugs of warm ale, cyder and brandy and water for those engaged in the graceful exercise.”

Audrey Mead

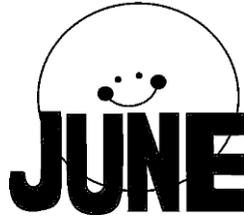
Did you know...? Here are some June facts...

June in the Northern Hemisphere is similar to the month of December in the Southern Hemisphere.

The Romans called June “Iunius” or Junius, but it is unclear whether this was after Juno, goddess of marriage, or whether May and June were named for the old and young: ‘maiores’ and ‘juniores’.

The Anglo-Saxons called June “sera monath” (dry month).

June is celebrated as National Smile Month in the UK.



In any year, no month begins on the same day of the week as June.

Antony and Cleopatra and Henry IV Part 1 are the only Shakespeare plays that mention June. June was the 39th most popular name for a baby girl in 1925 in English-speaking countries but it dropped out of the top thousand in 1986. As a boy’s name, it peaked in 697th place in 1922.

BROOMFIELD

www.broomfieldparish.org

Traditional Vintage Cream Teas & Cakes

(by Just Desserts)

In Broomfield Village Hall and Garden

Sunday 8th July 2 – 5.00pm

Tickets £7.50

To book please ring:

01823 451471 / 451374 or 07980 004 194

In aid of the Taunton Association for the Homeless

Broomfield Parish Council

The following items were discussed at the meeting of the Council on 17th April – draft minutes are available on the Parish website www.broomfieldparish.org

Cllr Trolley informed the meeting that he had researched Broomfield Common on foot and examined old tithe maps and produced a report with proposals on how the Common could be managed in the future.

Voluntary local labour would be required and grants may be available through the AONB. The report will now be forwarded to the County and District Councils for their agreement and advice.

The Council agreed to take up Somerset Highways' offer to supply stone to repair damage to the road verges in the Parish under a self-help scheme. Volunteer labour will be recruited.

Under new data protection regulations which come into force on 25th May the Clerk will delete all contact data for parishioners. Those wishing to continue to receive news updates will need to register using a form available on the Parish website: www.broomfieldparish.org/news

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Duncan Henderson
Chairman
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Broomfield to the Rescue!



Our NGS garden opening was upon us and doing battle with the jungle produces spaces. So gathering my remaining energy I made it to the Broomfield Plant Sale. What more could I want? There were the courgette and squash plants including “Turk’s Head” so aptly named waiting for

me. I never get them sown in time. Then there was the selection of herbaceous plants and I did find a Solomon's Seal to build up that corner of the garden. Further on there was an interesting pink daisy flowered climber (name unknown but of Triscombe provenance – a climber with a difference), just what I was looking for. Then – Oh bliss! Along the fence were all those plants and pots too heavy for the tables or totally unidentifiable. What did I spy but a tub of lush bulbs and one small flower? Could it be a Peruvian Scilla? Well, I took a punt on it and there now in the small space by our magnolia clad privy bower in pride of place is the one Puvian Scilla (I hope) flower plus a supply of bulbs to pot up for both children who in their middle years are now succumbing to the gardening bug. To a plantaholic, happiness is plants! Thank you Broomfield.

Dilly Bradley

BROOMFIELD COMMUNITY CINEMA



Midweek Special Wednesday 6th June

Arrive from 7pm fo refreshments. Film starts at 7.30pm

Venue: Broomfield Village Hall

Tickets: £5 on the door but reserve seats to avoid disappointment

The Greatest Showman

The Greatest Showman tells the story of P.T. Barnum as he creates and develops his circus in New York in the mid-1800s. It is a bold and original musical, celebrating the birth of show business and inspiring a sense of wonder. Starring Hugh Jackman, this film is lavish, fun for all, and best viewed on the big screen at Broomfield village hall.

Certificate PG, Running time 106 minutes

To reserve your seat please send an email to:

Broomfieldcommunitycinema@gmail.com

Make 2018 your year of culture! All welcome to this friendly local community venture.

Whats On

June		Event	Location	Page
Weds	6	Broomfield Cinema	Broomfield Village Hall	15
Weds	6	Kingston WI	KSM Village Hall	25
Thurs	7	Kingston Players' Open Evening	KSM Village Hall	29
Sat	9	KSM Church Bells		8
Sun	10	KSM Cycle Event	Meet KSM School Car Park	23
Mon	11	KSM PCC	KSM Village Hall	22
Weds	13	Walking for Health	KSM Church Car Park	28
Weds	13	Wednesday Cafe	KSM Village Hall	25
Weds	20	KSM Gardening Club	KSM Village Hall 7.15pm	
Forthcoming Events				
July				
Sat	7	KSM School Summer Fayre	KSM School 2.00-5.00pm	28
Sun	8	Traditional Cream Teas	Broomfield VH & Garden	13
Weds	18	KSM Gardening Club	KSM Village Hall 7.15pm	
Sat	28	Meet the Village	KSM Village Hall	
Sat	28	Cheddon Flower Show	The Memorial Hall	20
August				
Sat	4	KSM Flower Show	KSM Village Hall	29
Sun	12	Patronal Service followed by 'Friends' lunch	KSM St. Mary's Church/ Village Hall	
September				
Sat to Sun	22 30	KSM Art Exhibition		

If you would like to flag up a forthcoming event in any of our three parishes over the next 12 months, do let the next editor know. Please include a telephone number so anyone else planning an event can contact you.

Regular events...

Please Note: Badminton is now on summer break and will recommence Monday 3rd Sept 7.45pm Kingston Village Hall

Contact j.braund@btinternet.com

Pilates (11.30) and Keep Fit (12.45)

Every Tuesday, Kingston Village Hall.

Call Alison Roberts on 01823 672617 or 07850 507489.

Babies' and Toddlers' Group

Every Monday morning (term-time only), 9.00 –11.00 am Kingston Church. Everyone is welcome to join us for a cup of tea!

Bell Ringing Practice

Every Tuesday 7.30 pm, Kingston Church

Kingston Walking Group. Meet KSM Church Car Park fortnightly, Thursdays. Contact Sandra Matthews 01823 451941.

Youth Club, fortnightly on Fridays.

CHEDDON

www.cheddonfitzpaine-pc.org.uk

Cheddon Fitzpaine Annual Parish Council Meeting was held on 10 May 2018 and the following items were discussed:

The **Neighbourhood Plan Referendum Vote** for the combined area of West Monkton and Cheddon Fitzpaine was successful. 22.38% for a stand-alone vote was a good turnout. Thank you for supporting the work that has been undertaken. 1021 for, 63 against, and two spoilt ballot papers. Total vote: 1086 from combined electorate 4853.

A full Agenda covered **planning applications:** including from Gladmans regarding 180 properties at Pyrland Farm, and Brook View at Tudor Park 'variation of conditions'. A public consultation for the Conquest Centre was discussed, alongside information regarding the Country Park. Responses will be drafted and sent on behalf of the Parish Council. Please see Parish Minutes for details.

Work continues to 'tidy up' outstanding issues in **Maidenbrook Ward:** Two new picnic tables have been installed at Waterleaze (near football pitch).

Highways: It is possible the work on the Crown Medical Centre roundabout and traffic lights will be concluded shortly. Once the lights are commissioned a small section of the current temporary footpath crossing requires a gulley to be completed; so a small area will remain fenced until this is undertaken. Requests have been sent to TDBC, who own the roundabout, regarding the replanting of the crocus drifts.

The Internal Audit has been completed, and forms duly signed off. Clerk to process External Audit forms.

With summer coming, please do see how you can be involved in the parish; the **Parish Flower Show is on Saturday 28 July** at the Memorial Hall, and **Parish In Bloom entries** will be judged. Schedules available from Pyrland Farm shop.

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www.cheddonfitzpaine-pc.org.uk/council

**Cheddon Fitzpaine Flower Show
Saturday 28th July from 2.30pm
Cheddon Memorial Hall**

There are many **classes for vegetables, fruit and handicrafts** as well as **flower arranging** and of course **domestic** - show your skills by entering one or more class

Committee Members and Pyrland farm shop have the schedules with entry forms

Come and join the village to have a wonderful day and raise funds to keep the hall in good order
Look forward to seeing you there

HOSPITAL TRANSPORT & EMERGENCY PRESCRIPTION SERVICE

The following people have kindly offered to collect your prescriptions

or

to take patients from the appropriate parish to and from hospital.

For residents of Cheddon Parish only

Liz Thompson

451529

Mary Gunning

412179

KINGSTON ST MARY

www.kingston-st-mary.org.uk

KSM Parish Council

Chair - Cllr Ray Stokes steps down

Cllr Ray Stokes stood down as Chair of KSM Parish Council at the meeting on 14th May. Ray has served the community in this role for over ten years and his contribution has been significant. Parish Cllrs thanked him for the responsibility he has held over this time, his dedication to the Parish and patience in dealing with such a huge variety of issues. He will be missed by many people as he is well known as the Parish Council Chair.

For the foreseeable future the role of Chair will revolve around the existing Committee of nine Parish Councillors. Elections are due next May 2019. If you are interested in learning more about the role of being a Parish Cllr please contact the Clerk or one of the existing Parish Cllrs to express interest (see below).

Annual appointments were made to sub-committees with representatives elected for planning, the village hall, Link Up, Playing Field Committee, Quantocks, finance, auditing and other responsibilities.

Planning

The council decided not to object to the following applications -
20/18/0008 Erection of replacement single storey pitched roofed extension and veranda at Orchard House, Tainfield Park.

20/18/0010 Erection of two storey extension and detached double garage at 1 Lower Marsh Cottages, Kingston Road.

Parking at the Playing Field

Following discussions at the last meeting and the May article in Link-Up, concern was raised by the Croquet Club about restriction on parking on the Playing Field. The legal position is to be checked and the matter discussed again at the June meeting of the Parish Council.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Council will be held on **Monday 11th June** 2018 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm. Members of the public are invited to attend.

Natasha Bradshaw (Cllr)
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njb.bradshaw@gmail.com

Caroline Roche (Clerk)
Tel: 430876

Kingston St Mary Parish Councillors

Marcus Anderson; Natasha Bradshaw; John Clark; Sharon Farnham (Vice-Chair); Jacqui Marsh; Ray Stokes; Ken Taylor; Nick Townsend (also TDBC); Andrew Wilcox.

Parish Councillors address to Cllr Ray Stokes, May 2018

So after many years this is your last meeting as chair. And being a chairman is not an easy job. It requires patience, diplomacy, at times impartiality and quite a lot of skill. I think over the years you have amply displayed all these attributes and coupled them with dedication and an overall professional approach. So on behalf of the committee and our Clerk may we thank you for the many hours you have devoted to the job, and wish you well for the future. Now I know you have many other interests to fill your time but it is going to be a big wrench to give up chairmanship. So there will inevitably be grief and times when you're feeling a bit low. So to go some way to relieving these symptoms the committee have got you a special potion which we hope you and your wife will enjoy whilst reflecting on the happy hours spent at Kingston.

Again many thanks from us all and good luck.

Kingston St Mary



Kingston Area Pedestrian and Cycle Campaign

Campaigning for safer walking and cycling in the parish

Family Fun Cycle Ride 10am Sunday June 10th

Join a fun cycle ride around the lanes of Kingston and Nailsbourne on Sunday 10th June. Suitable for groups and single riders - all abilities and ages welcome, but you must be able to use brakes correctly and have a bike in good working order.

There will be a choice of routes to suit your ability and fitness. Children under 13 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Unaccompanied minors over 13 must have signed parental consent. All details on website.

9.30am - free optional pre-ride bike check by our qualified bike mechanic.

10am start - meet in KSM primary school carpark at 10am promptly, for registration check and route instructions. The ride is self-guided, with marshals at key points en-route. Please bring water, cycle helmet and wear bright clothing. Qualified First Aider and mechanical back-up provided.

REGISTRATION IS MANDATORY

Full details and registration at
www.kapacc.kstm.uk

Event organiser can be contacted on
kapacc@kstm.uk



Playing Field Committee

Playing field recruitment: **Volunteers** are needed to help bolster the playing field committee. The group consists of a small band of willing dads and a mum from the village who meet infrequently.

We currently gain a small annual grant from the parish council to spend wisely we also re-invest funds generated from the hire of the pavilion into the village facility.

But we **need support** in raising more funds and to help maintain the playing field.

If you have a little spare time to give, and would like to get involved, please call **Ross** on 452422 to find out more.



KSM Litter Picking April 2018

Due to the awful weather conditions and the “on – off – on –off” Point to Point, the official litter pick did not take place. However some volunteers dodged the rain (a big thank you to them) and collected 10 bags of litter from Parsonage Lane, Fulford, Greenway, Church Lane and the road between Mill Cross and Hestercombe.

There was the usual haul of endless beer cans (who are these people doing this?), crisp packets, cigarette boxes, Costa coffee cups, McDonalds wrappers as well as tyres, a carpet and exhaust pipe.

Not all the litter is dropped deliberately. A lot gets blown out of recycling boxes or falls out of the recycling lorry so can I please encourage everyone to just check when you collect your recycling boxes that nothing has been left behind.

Thank you to all of you who regularly pick litter as you walk around the village – every little helps! And I think the village looks better for it. Another pick will be organised for November.

Jean Alger-Green, Kingston Community Partnership



Kingston WI News

AGM was held May 2, new persons were elected, Chairperson Kathy Pugh, Secretary Janet Braund and Treasurer Sandra Matthews.

Janet Lovell gave a brief report on the WI Banner Parade, which took place through the City of Wells. Four members proudly paraded with the Kingston St Mary banner, along with 450 other members from around the country.

We are all looking forward to the next year with our exciting planned Programme.

Next Meeting Wednesday June 6 at 7.30 in the Village Hall –

- Crystallize Flowers demonstration by Jill Fade;
- Competition is flower biscuits
- Flower of the Month.

Come along and take a look, enjoy an evening in a friendly atmosphere.

Sandra Matthews
01823 451941

Wednesday Café

Kingston St Mary Village Hall
13th June

(every second Wed of the month)

Come for the afternoon or just drop in any time
between **2.00pm – 4.00pm** (£1 entrance)



Need more information? Contact one of the following:
Serena Lumley 01823 451877 Lindsay Thorne 01823 451469

It's all change at The Swan Pub

From a farewell...



Swansdown:SWANupping

Dear Hilary and Les - a sad farewell.
We really thought we'd heard the "Time please" bell
When Andrew left the Swan without an heir.
The village knew the meaning of despair.

But then, from far away across the hill
You heard our cry for help. And Les and Lil
Took on the Swan while still behind The Plough.
You somehow managed, though we don't know how,
This double act until you came to stay.
For 8 good years, and bless you, come what may,
You kept the standard high for food and drink,
Raised money for good causes but, we think,
Worked long hours without help that took its toll
On both of you at last. You can console
Yourselves you've earned a quieter life for now
Enjoy the time this 'hiccup' will allow!

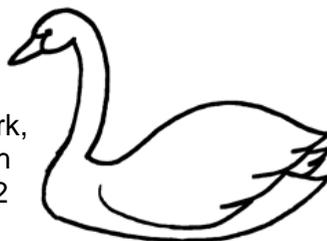
With Tracey, Mark and Luke we're in safe hands
The Swan floats on - our village pub still stands.

Jane Clarke April 2018

...to a welcome

From Cygnets to Swans

First let's introduce ourselves - myself Mark, Tracy and Luke, a family from Sidmouth who moved into The Swan at Kingston 2 weeks ago.



The reason we have written from Cygnets to Swans is this is our first Public House, we have never been in the pub trade before and are learning and growing all the time working hard to make the hub of the Kingston St Mary community.

Our plans and our Menu are growing as we are and will evolve with the help of our new addition to the family, Roger the Chef. Other plans are Quiz night, Curry nights and live music to name but a few.

We will be updating our facebook and website pages with our new menu and up and coming events.

Thank you again for making us feel so welcome and we cannot wait to meet everyone soon.

Mark, Tracy and Luke

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For residents of Kingston Parish only

Fay Huleatt Boyd	451891	Sonia Pether	451311
Jenny Fisher*	451332		

(*Prescriptions only)



Walking for Health

Hope everyone who has come along so far has enjoyed the monthly 'Walking for Health'. We will be continuing, and this month the walk will be on Wednesday, 13th June. We will meet at 1.45pm at the KSM Church Car Park. The walk is usually around 30 – 40 minutes and we try to avoid wet and muddy areas!

After the walk we normally pop in to the Wednesday Café for a well-earned cuppa and cake. If you would like to know more about 'Walking for Health' please get in touch with one of the people below:

Jackie Aldrich 01823 451696

Paul Trolley 01823 451312

Heather Saxton 01823 451210

Nigel Hounslow 01823 451358



SUMMER FAYRE

KSM School

Saturday 7th July

2pm to 5pm

Come and join us for a fun afternoon and help us raise money for Kingston St Mary School!!

There will be stalls, refreshments, tombola, raffle and many more
Stalls are also available for £10.00 and a raffle prize

(if you are interested or know somebody who might be, contact Sam on 07713 778709)

This year we are raising money towards outdoor provision!!



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ALL DRAMA

The **Kingston Players** present their annual **Open Evening** at **Kingston Village Hall** on **Thursday 7th June (7.45pm)**. Entry is free. There will be a rehearsed entertainment and refreshments. Please support your local drama society.



Stephen Lovell

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**KSM Flower Show
Saturday, 4th August**

KSM Village Hall. Put the date in your diary.
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If you want to know more give me a call – 01823 451312 or
email. Annie Trolley, Show Secretary

Electrical Certification Advice

Let's put the record straight on certification of electrical work.
I am often asked by my clients about issues that concern them
regarding electrical installations in their home or business

premises. The majority of these issues relate to poor installation practices by others and lack of certification issued. For Example:

- An electrician has altered wiring in my house - can you issue a certificate for me?
- I am unhappy with work that someone else has done – can you test it for me?
- My electrician has let me down and I need you to finish off the work?
- My builder will not issue certification on the electrical work in my house?

If you are a home owner, landlord or other, be aware of your legal rights regarding certification for electrical work carried out in your home or business premises. Home owners – ten years from new and testing thereafter is advised, usually @ five yearly intervals, or during upgrades etc. Does your consumer unit comply – has it got a test label attached?

Many of the clients I visit on a daily basis are totally unaware of their legal rights regarding certification and in some cases are duped into believing that certification is not necessary. Some installations I visit fall well below standards required. This is unacceptable. Being able to take issue with an installer if things go wrong requires proof of them doing the work - certification.

Certification is your legal right – make sure you receive it. All too often I hear; it was promised but did not arrive, or I was told I did not need it? Failure by any registered electrician to provide electrical certification for notifiable work is an offence and can result in that electrician being dismissed from their organisation.

Test certification is your written guarantee that an electrical installation has been assessed and verified as safe for continued use – it is a legal document and can be traced to the person who issues it. Approved certification confirms that any changes or additions comply fully with BS 7671-2008 wiring regulations. These regulations can be used in a court of law against those who flout them.

Be fully aware, if you are unable to provide certification for an insurance claim, this may result in cover being declined, costing you financial loss and great stress. During the last thirty-five years in business the electrical industry has changed a great deal, regretfully there are those who fight change or choose to ignore safe working practices.

All registered electricians have a moral and legal obligation to ensure that all of their clients receive the best possible standards of service and that certification is issued where necessary. Despite this I often find myself asking clients why they chose to use a non-competent electrician? I am often advised that they assumed the electrician was qualified, having been told so by a friend - or they saw an advert.

Use an NICEIC contractor, we are assessed yearly by a senior electrical engineer, the job of these engineers is to ensure that all our work reaches the highest standards possible. NICEIC electricians are also required to have Public Liability Insurance to protect you. It really does make sense to be sure.

To The Editor

A Thank You...

Shirley and family would like to thank all the friends from Kingston who attended Tim's funeral, it was much appreciated.

Shirley Earl

SMALL ADS

There is no charge for a small advertisement. However, due to limited space please keep wording to a maximum of 50 words.

Ladies Bowling Shoes, white, Slazenger. Hardly used.
To fit size 7 (marked 42 but correct size in this style). £12 ono.
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