

KENN ISSUE 345 MAY 2017



Photo from St. John's Churchyard.
Fascinating, we need the story,
please - Margaret

NEWS & VIEWS

May - Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1st Hartley Staples
Margaret Ball (senior)
Lynne & Steve Bye W.A.
- 3rd Cyril Willcox
Chloe Hayzen
- 4th Tony Parker
Nigel Middleton
- 5th Sarah & Tom Clark W.A.
- 8th Mike Stowell
Tina & Nigel Middleton WA
- 10th Jilly Butland
Jane Morris
- 11th Tina Middleton
- 12th Robert Porch
Adeline Humberstone
- 15th Samuel Leiper
- 22nd Duncan Mackay
Bradley Beardshaw
- 26th Jane Staples
- 27th Christopher Jaehme
- 28th Sally White
- 29th Millie Stowell
Trina Willoughby
Samuel Rogers
- 30th Joanna Brain

St John's Altar Guild



May Rota

**Caroline Holden, Jo Manning, Karen and
Julia Panteli**

Thanks to everyone who so beautifully
decorated St. John's for the
Easter Celebrations.

April Family Service at St John's

Faith and Hope were two of the main themes at the Family service in St John's on the second Sunday of Easter.

In support of the aim of continuing praise due at this time of the year, we were allocated some truly uplifting hymns and all in the setting of the amazing floral displays which remained from the Easter weekend.

A reading from Acts and the Gospel from St John both covered the Resurrection of Jesus and his appearance to the disciples afterwards, inside the locked doors of the house where they were staying.

Before the address, we were treated to a short 'interview' with the disciples Andrew and Thomas, who had been witnesses to the events - their experiences voiced by John and Trevor, in response to Margaret's questioning.

Thomas had needed the proof of seeing Jesus before he could believe . Warren followed this with his own thoughts on how the resurrection could be applicable to our own lives and how we should express this in our interactions with others.

At the end of the service Warren urged us all to make the very best of our time with family, friends and neighbours, and the subsequent socialising was suitably enhanced through coffee and copious quantities of delicious cake.

Warren distributed Easter eggs to all and thus concluded yet another Easter celebration, as we emerged into the warm sunshine with the lively hymn tunes ringing in our ears!

Jill Riddle

The Annual Vestry Meeting of St. John the Evangelist, Kenn

Held after 11.00am Family Service on Sunday 23rd April, 2017

Present: The Revd Warren Williams in the Chair

Parishioners: John and Margaret Ball, Margaret Bessant, Doreen Burd, Iris and Michael Callow, Cliff Edwards, Doris Edwards, John and Grace Griffin, Robin and Marianna Mackay, Caroline Holden, Jo Manning, Geoffrey and Eleanor Marchant, John Pockett, Jill and Trevor Riddle, Margaret Stuckey and Diana Williams.

Apologies: Julia Bush, Ann Holtham and Jenny Pascoe

Warren welcomed everyone to Annual Parishioners' Meeting which is the fourth that he has chaired.

He warmly thanked everyone present, most of whom are involved in the work of the church in so many ways. Church Warden, Sides-people, Organist, Bellringers, Lent Lunch organisers, Altar Guild members, Readers, Flower Arrangers, Grass Cutters, etc. All are very important to the smooth running of this very friendly and welcoming church.

Warren noted that Revd David Harrex has preached his last sermon in the Team and that Cleeve and Claverham are now in an interregnum. David's duties are now being shared among the remaining clergy. Jo Slade, our curate, is being 'priested' at Wells on 1st July. Warren asked for our prayers for David and Lisa as they move on to the next stage of their lives.

He thanked the outgoing Churchwarden John Ball for all he had done during the past year.

Warren mentioned the high spots of the Church year in Kenn - Harvest Supper, Lenten Lunches, Gospel Choir Concert.

Planned for 2017 is the Festival of Flowers Food and Fun on the 8th and 9th July.

Election to St. John's Sub-committee – it was unanimously agreed to re-elect all those who are currently on the St. John's Committee

Election of Churchwarden

One nomination had been handed to the Revd Warren Williams before the meeting:

John Ball proposed by Julia Bush and seconded by Ann Holtham.

John was duly elected and the result was greeted by a round of applause.

The meeting closed at 11.55am.

Friday 5th May

Hi all,

A reminder that our next Late Night Worship will be on the first Friday in May - and once again we extend a warm welcome to you and any in your congregation who may like to join us.

This relaxed and informal time of worship allows us to be at one with Jesus in our worship of Him; a time to maybe hear from Him and be equipped to serve Him in the coming month with the opportunity to recharge our spiritual batteries.



We welcome those from any or no church background to an atmosphere where supportive fellowship from like minded people is readily available.

We look forward to welcoming you. God bless,

Keith Woodham, Yatton Methodist Church - Home 01934 832929

Meeting place.

'Meeting Place' is a regular slot on the second Thursday of the month. We meet in 'The New Room' at the top of Kenn Street, starting at 11.00am and lasts for up to an hour.



The next group will be on Thursday 11th May 2017 at 11.00am.

This is a small but consistent group. Mothers and sometimes grandmothers come with preschool children. The women exchange news, the children play and we are in the background making coffee.

If you are at home with a small child you are very welcome to join us.

P.S. We are very clear this is not Church by the backdoor. Rather a venue for friendship and meeting people.

Julia 873554. Caroline 343133

Lent Lunches in
St John's Church
Kenn



Many thanks to everyone who came to the Lent Lunches in St John's Church this year.

The lunches had two aims. The first was to make the church a welcoming community space. There was well attended chatter and laughter.

The second was to provide a non-fund raising event.

Tight budgeting and kind donations meant this was easily achieved.

Thank you again to everyone who came or provided, cakes, coleslaw, potato salad and most of all kind heart.

Caroline.

Thank you

Many, many thanks to everyone who came to the April Coffee Morning in the New Room.

We are a rowdy lot.

It is always good to spend time with old friends.

All the latest news was exchanged and copious cups of coffee consumed.

We raised £140 to go towards our flower festival in July.

Marianna and Caroline

The Lent Lunches in the church were enormously successful. It would be such a shame to not harness this group of friendship. We are now going to have a monthly lunch in St John's. The philosophy will remain the same.

A place of welcome to church and non church goes alike.

It will be on the first Monday of the month. Marianna and I will coordinate the menu and donations of dishes. Local charities can benefit from the profits.

A two course lunch will be a bargain for £5 per head. What is not to like!

The first Monthly Meal at St John's will be on Monday 5th June 2017. 12 – 2.00pm.

Caroline and Marianna.



Thank you, thank you, thank you. Simnel cake eaters.

Thanks to the all the folks who bought Simnel cakes at Easter, and some very generous donations, I was able to send 140 pounds to Michael Blay and his family in Ghana.

Thanks, Julia Bush 01275 873554

Correspondence with the Blay family in Ghana

On Mar 15, 2017 08:19, Julia wrote:

Dear Michael what a lovely start to my day! Yes, we are well, and glad to here you are alright. I picked up your email straight away, most of the people who email me from far away are in different time zones, but there is no difference for us, so when you are starting a day, so are we.

Best Wishes, Julia and Tim

On 9th April Michael Bay replied:

Subject: How was your Palm Sunday?

Today was Palm Sunday and we were really happy today in church. We attend the first mass which is 6am in the morning.

We sang Hosanna with our palm fronds waving in the air accompanied by the church brass bands. Today was wonderful in church. We have brought our palm fronds home to keep till next year March so that we can burn it for the Ash Wednesday.

Mummy Happy Easter in advance. Love you. God bless you for your love and care. Bye

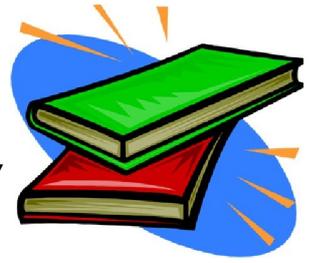
23rd April from Michael Blay

Thank you mum

Am happy to hear from you. Please thank the people of Kenn for me. May God bless you so much and all the others who are helping us everyday. My phone can take two pictures at a time on mail so I will be sending you pictures often. Thanks



Book Group.



So, we did meet on the 10th April 2017 to discuss 'Clay' By Melissa Harrison. Only one of us had read the book.

We all had other preoccupations. Ailing parents, selling a parental house or operation recovery.

Still we are an ambitious group and we are going to carry on reading 'Clay'.

At the same time we are going to read 'The noise of Time' by Julian Barnes. Colin read this during his convalescence and has recommended this book to us. This is a novel about the composer Shostakovich. Colin also brought us presents. A CD of Shostakovich's music with accompanying notes. This will make reading the book a complete sensory experience.

Next book group will be on Monday 29th May 2017. This will give us enough time to read the two set books. As usual at The Drum.

Book group.

Kenn Supper Club. Always on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. (also known as the S.O.F.A club. Same Old Faces Again.)



The April Supper club was a landmark occasion. It is the last club with Mike as the landlord.

He has always made us welcome, made sure we had reserved communal tables and dedicated service.

Mike always recognised the supper as one of the many village events. Thank you Mike. We hope the new landlord will provide the same service to faithful locals.

Thank you John and Grace for organising this for us.

The next Supper club will be on Wednesday 17th May at 7.00 for 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome.

Please contact John and Grace Griffin. Tel 872948.



KENN W.I.

At the April meeting of the Kenn W.I. we were delighted to welcome Nicola Pike from Rose Holistic on the Moor Road in Kenn.

She told us all about the Bowen Method that she uses in her treatments. It is a gentle holistic way of getting to the root of any skeletal-muscular trouble that one might have and treating it. Pain often manifests itself a long way from the seat of the trouble and Nicola is skilled in sorting this out. She answered questions and demonstrated some of her techniques.

The May meeting will be an afternoon meeting at 2.30 when we are looking forward to the return of Jenny Lester who last year showed us examples of her wonderful quilting skills. This year she is going to teach us how to get started.

All are welcome, but if you do come please bring a medium sized sewing needle with you.

We are following the talk with tea.

On the business agenda will be the resolutions which will be brought to the Annual General Meeting which is in Liverpool in June. The resolutions this year are one urging the Government to do all it can to combat loneliness for the elderly and housebound and another seeking to rid the seas of waste plastic which is having a devastating effect on the fish stocks.

We hopefully will be able to tell our delegate how we wish her to vote.

Two coffee mornings so far have raised £190 towards the Leg Ulcer Clubs. The W.I. hope to hostess more during the year before the money is presented to the Club.

Names were being taken for the Summer Outing in August, which this year is going to the Royal Mint at Llantrisant.

Members of the W.I. are always pleased to welcome visitors. Meetings take place on the second Wednesday of the month at 7.30 p.m., except for May when we have an afternoon meeting at 2.30 p.m.

If you are interested, please come along.



CHRISTIAN AID QUIZ NIGHT

Come and enjoy another evening of fun and brain teasing!

Wednesday 3rd May 7.15 for 7.30pm.

The Chapter House, St Mary's Church, Yatton.

Teams of 4 are invited or can be made up on the night. Bring your own drink.

Refreshments and glasses provided.

All donations and raffle proceeds will go to Christian Aid.

Contact Lindy Densham on
01934 838668 or
lindydensham@gmail.com

Weston Hospice and Robert.

I have sent a further cheque for £50 to Westonhospicecare raised at the last Village market from the sale of Robert's cards and books. Once again many thanks for your continued support.

I have also donated most of Robert's large mounted prints to the Hospice to either use in the Hospice or sell in their shops or at their fundraising events.

Joyce Down

Our Flag

Our Flag, on the Village Green, was flown several times during April.

On the 8th April to celebrate the safe arrival of Frederick James Woods, born on the 8th to Johanna and Thomas Woods, weighing 2.9kg in Bad Soden hospital, near Frankfurt in Germany — a grandson for Jean and Ben Woods of Kenn Street.

In celebration of Easter on Easter Sunday 16th April.

Our St. George's Flag was flown on St. George's Day 23rd April.

For flag flying—contact
Robin or Marianna Mackay 340323
Or Chris Taylor 872781

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(Please leave a message, if I don't pick up I will get back to you)

Kenn Church tower - *volunteers needed.*

Is there anyone locally who would be prepared to climb the tower staircase to the bell-chamber once or twice a year to brush down the stone dust and mortar pieces from the bell-frame, sweep the floor, and carry these deposits (generally about half to a bucketful) down to ground level?

The volunteer needs to be between 15 and 50, say, and agile and moderately built to get over the framework and into tight spaces!

Geoff's health has now made this virtually impossible for him to continue doing (and even putting the bell muffle on and off is now a considerable task).

Anyone who would be willing to do this as a help would be warmly welcomed.

Please contact Geoff on 01934 834550 or John Ball, Churchwarden, on 01275 874077.

Yet again, I would stress that we also need a younger person to take on, or help with, ringing the bell full circle.

Please inform the same contacts if you would be prepared to learn how to do this.
Many thanks, Geoff. Marchant.

KENN CHURCH ROOM COFFEE MORNING

**Saturday 27th May
10.00am – 12noon**

Proceeds to Christian Aid

**Another opportunity to get together and
catch up with the news.**





Calling all Kenn Newbies!

If you are new to Kenn, or have lived here for years and years, please consider helping with this year's CHRISTIAN AID WEEK collection.

The more collectors, the fewer doors to visit each.
14th—20th May.

Call me !

Thank you. Julia Bush 01275 873554.

Thank You

LENT LUNCHES

at

Cherry Tree House, Kenn

Raised £325

Which has been sent to

Christian Aid

Earmarked for the East
Africa appeal

(receipts will be posted when received)

Kenn Village Hall

Builders Trevor and Terry Santo, with Seal-lite have now fitted the extra door from the lobby to the rear patio.

This should make carrying food for outside events much safer.

John Griffin has made arrangements for the kitchen, lobby area and disabled toilet to be painted, together with the end wall of the Hall itself.

Jeremy Osbourne's sheep have kindly kept the grass cutting under control.

Useful Numbers:

Village Hall Booking Secretary:

Lyn & Nigel Burnett 01275 870189
kvhallbooking@gmail.com

St John the Evangelist Priest in charge:

Rev. Warren Williams 01934 833608

Churchwarden:

John Ball 874077
Mobile 078 1667 1304

Church Floodlighting:

David Pugh 874278

Village Flag Flying:

Marianna or Robin 340323
or Chris Taylor 872781

Altar Guild Secretary:

Marianna Mackay 340323

North Somerset Council:

01934 888 888

out of hours:

01934 622 669

News & Views:

Margaret Ball 01275 874077

Email - Margaret.john@btinternet.com



with
**COFFEE
MORNING**

Will be held in Kenn Village Hall on Saturday,
13th May from 10:00am till midday.

Recycling - 2nd/9th/16th/23rd/30th

Dustbin - 2nd/16th/30th May

Green Waste - 9th/23rd May



**Kenn Women's
Institute**

Meet at Kenn Village Hall, 2.30 pm
Wednesday - 10th May

Our speaker is Jenny Lester who last year
showed us examples of her wonderful quilting
skills. This year she is going to teach us how
to get started.

Tel: 01934 830111

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Tuesday 30th May 2pm - 5:30pm

Wednesday 31st May 10am - 7:30pm

Morning of sale from 9am

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www.clevedon-salerooms.com

SERVICES FOR MAY 2017

1st Sunday 7th May THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER **WHITE**

8:30am *Holy Communion at Kenn**
 9:30am Parish Communion at Yatton
 Followed by Thank You to Michael Earle
 9:30am Holy Communion at Cleeve
 11:00am Taste & See/Holy Communion at Claverham
 11:00am Family Service at Kingston Seymour with Holy Baptism
 6:00pm Evensong at Yatton*

Second Thursday – 11th May

7.00pm Archdeacon's Visitation at Holy Trinity, Nailsea

2nd Sunday 14th May THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER **WHITE**
 (Christian Aid Week begins)

8:00am Holy Communion at Yatton*
 9:30am Holy Communion at Claverham
 9:30am Parish Communion at Yatton
11.00am *Holy Communion at Kenn*
 11.00am Holy Communion at Cleeve
 6:00pm Evensong at Kingston Seymour*

Third Wednesday – 17th May

11.00am *Holy Communion at Kenn*

3rd Sunday 21st May THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER **WHITE**

8:00am Holy Communion at Claverham*
 9:30am Parish Communion at Yatton
 9.30am Holy Communion at Cleeve
 11:00am Holy Communion at Kingston Seymour
 12:00pm Holy Baptism at Yatton
6:00pm *Evensong at Kenn*

Fourth Thursday 25th May ASCENSION DAY **WHITE**

7.30am Holy Communion at Kingston Seymour
 7.30pm Team Communion at Yatton

4th Sunday 28th May THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER **WHITE**

8.00am Holy Communion at Yatton*
 8.30am Holy Communion at Kingston Seymour*
 9.30am Parish Communion at Yatton
 10.00am Café Celebration or informal service at Court de Wyck School
11.00am *Family Service at Kenn*
 6.00pm Holy Communion at Cleeve
 6.00pm Ecumenical Evening Service at Yatton

* Book of Common Prayer (1662)



Village Market

Thank you to all who came along and supported the market in April and of course to the stall holders who fill the village hall with so many tempting products.

Sarah and Marianna provided the Easter refreshments and raised a super amount for Harriet's fund raising.

For those of you who are planning to grow your own vegetables this year Sally will be at the next market with her range of plants.

If you are looking for an easy way to raise money for a favourite charity and would like to run the refreshments, we would love to hear from you.

The next market is Saturday 13th May from 10am to 12pm.

If you would like to run the refreshments or would like a table for the May Market please get in touch.

Maggie Hobbs 876277 or Lyn Burnett 870189

Thank you

Sarah and Marianna would like to thank everyone for their very generous donations at the Village Market in April when they raised £152.00 serving the refreshments.

Coupled with donations given from those that could not make it on the day, the total amount passed to Harriet was £205.00 for her fund raising for Southmead Hospital and research into diagnosis of rare diseases.

Harriet was delighted with the monies raised and asked that her thanks be passed on.

DRUM AND MONKEY

Mike Beardshaw, Kelly, Louise and Alex have asked that we could please convey their thanks to all who have supported and helped them at the Drum and Monkey over the years, especially to those who had faith and helped in their return after their period away from the Drum,



He writes, We were so happy to be back it was like coming home, but because of the current climate, high rents, doubled rates, the price of the beers and wines and the possibility of the utilities going up by 30% we find it difficult to stay at the Drum and with the aftermath of Christmas which has seen us making a loss of about 1k a week, this we could not sustain any longer.

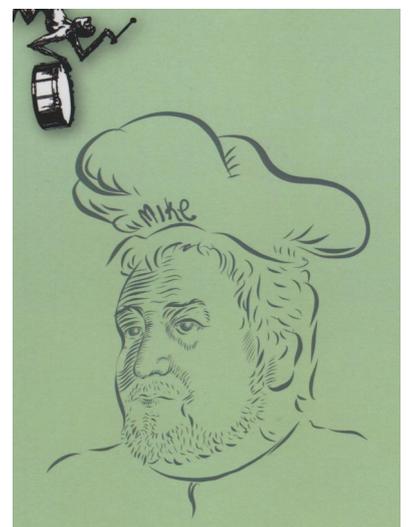
We will be leaving the Drum on the 8th May and the new couple who are taking over are Angela and Andrew and we hope that the villagers will give them the support that they have given to us over the years.

We thank you all and you will always be in our hearts as friends and KENNITES.....

Hoping for a happy future the kindest of regards from

Mike, Kelly, Louise and Alex, (who were 7 and 4 years old when they moved to the Drum and now they are 22 and 18)

All the best and thank you all.



Broadband suggestions

We have had two helpful comments

Simply go to the EE shop in Weston, get a 4g mini hub free of charge, take up a 2 year contract for approximately £23 per month, log in and get started with 18-40+Mbs!

It doesn't have to be complicated!

John Croxton

I currently use EE 4G as my main form of broadband. It costs around £25 for 15Gb of data on a monthly rolling contract, which just about does me for email and general surfing but can't really be used for TV or significant streaming as it would cost too much due to data limitations.

It can also be a bit unreliable due to line of sight requirements and signal strength.

Dr Chris Blake

In discussion with an expert, Andrew Down, if you only use the internet for Email and basic internet searches then 4G MAY suffice, but if you intend to work from home, accessing business data; download films; access TV players e.g. BBC I player, or if you have younger visitors then any internet will slow down and can become Unusable.

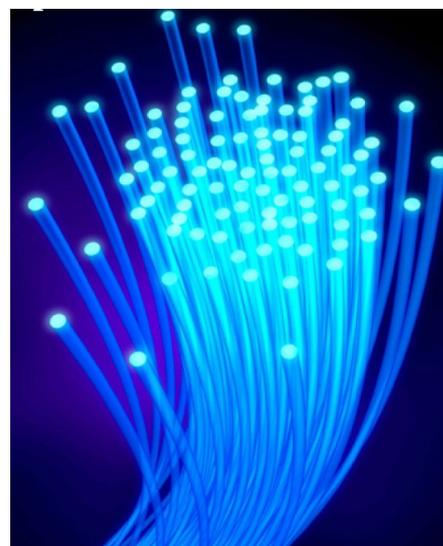
You may also be aware that having fast reliable broadband can affect the value of your house when it is put on the market, so a minor investment now could increase the value of your property and make it more saleable.

If you go to the following web site and answer the questions this will help ascertain the needs and wishes of the Village

<http://www.kenn.online/>

If you are unable to do this on line, answer the following questions and pass your answers to either *Martyn Jaehme, Dr Chris Blake, Julian Gale, Stephen Brain or John Ball* so that we can build up a picture of the demand for broadband in our village.

Unless we prove there is the demand, our postcode areas will be unlikely to have the benefit of superfast broadband.



Broadband Survey— Kenn 2017

Post code

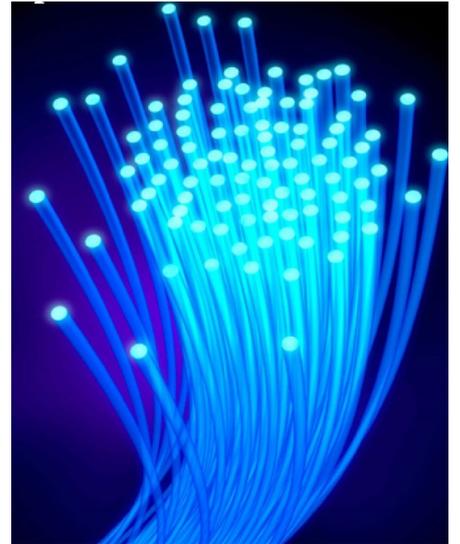
Address.....

First name

Last name

Phone number

Email



Do you currently receive a Broadband service at your home YES/NO

Would you like faster broadband? YES/NO

Rate your internet usage none..... light..... medium..... heavy.....

How many internet connected devices are in your household?
Smart phones/laptops/CCTV/I.Pads none..... 5 or less more than 5.....

On a scale of 1-10, how important is your internet connection to your daily life?
1 = not important 10 = essential

Do you work from home or run a business from this address? YES/NO

Would you invest money to improve your Broadband service? YES/NO

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.

The information you have given will be shared only with Kenn Village Broadband Committee.

However should it prove necessary, we may send the survey results (with no personal details) to BT and possibly other suppliers of superfast broadband.

We will not share your personal information with any other third party and we respect your privacy.

Julian Gale, Martyn Jaehme, Andrew Down, Stephen Brain, Dr. Chris Blake and John Ball

Bird News

The dry and settled April weather saw some of our incoming migrant birds arrive early this year.

Migration is not easy to measure as generally one or a few birds arrive well before the main body. Willow Warblers have been around in small numbers for over a fortnight, but 600 were at Portland Bill yesterday (20th). Birds will continue to arrive until mid May and indeed a few will come after then, but the Swifts usually arrive at the beginning of May. Look for them in the centre of Clevedon in the houses near the main car park.

Blackcaps (listen for their beautiful sweet song) and Chiffchaffs are certainly here in force, with 5 and 17 respectively singing along the Yatton stretch of the Strawberry Line early in the month.

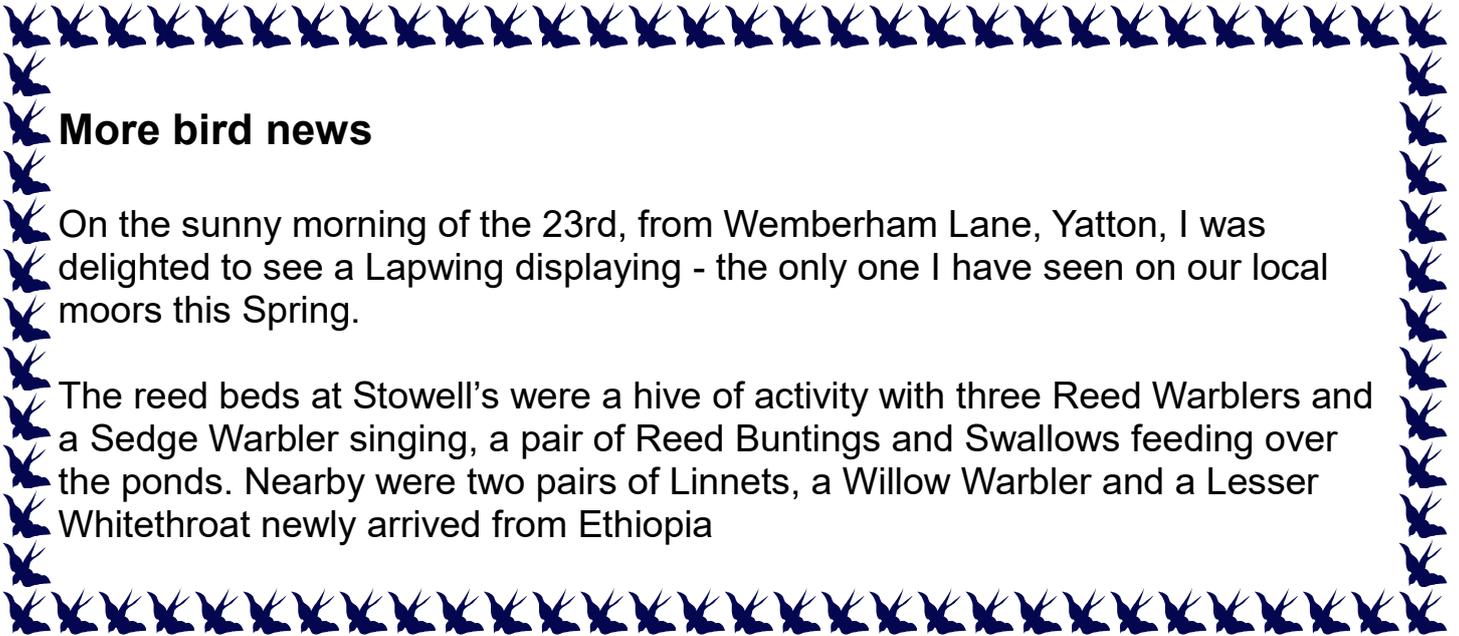
Twelve days later a slow cycle ride along the line this time including the Congresbury section produced nine singing warbler species including the scarce Grasshopper Warbler. This bird's 'song' does sound like a loud grasshopper and it is even more skulking than the other warblers. The day after, (18th) a Cuckoo was calling at the regular site near Mendip Spring Golf Club. This is a very early date for this area.

A Peregrine was feeding on one of the pylons near Wemberham mid month and conversely this is a very late time for this. Most Peregrines should be at their nesting sites in April; perhaps this was a non breeding juvenile bird. On the bird of prey theme I have received reports of a Red Kite over Yatton on two days at the Easter weekend.

The news from Kenn Moor is that after a gap of eight years the Rooks have returned in force to their traditional area in Littlewood and John Croxton found a Wheatear feeding around a manure heap nearby.

Finally, as well as the Clevedon swimmers you may have seen the bird watchers at Rainham Marshes on the BBC ident. The story is that to film the sequence they raised their binoculars when an old towel was waved by the crew. Ironically a Short Eared Owl was flying around behind the birdwatchers but this was in the wrong place for the camera.

Trevor Riddle - 01934 835208.



More bird news

On the sunny morning of the 23rd, from Wemberham Lane, Yatton, I was delighted to see a Lapwing displaying - the only one I have seen on our local moors this Spring.

The reed beds at Stowell's were a hive of activity with three Reed Warblers and a Sedge Warbler singing, a pair of Reed Buntings and Swallows feeding over the ponds. Nearby were two pairs of Linnets, a Willow Warbler and a Lesser Whitethroat newly arrived from Ethiopia



Thanks go to Higgy for these two Photographs of Chiff Chaffs

MAY DIARY - What's on and When and Where!!!

Christian Aid Week—Sunday 14th—Saturday 20th May

North Somerset Show, Wraxall Monday 1st May

Wednesday 3rd May Christian Aid Quiz—Chapter House, Yatton

**Monday 8th May at Kenn Village Hall 7.30pm
Statutory Annual Meeting of Kenn Parish Council**

**Tuesday 9th May — at The Drum and Monkey
Village Lunch — meet from 12 noon**

**Wednesday 10th May
Kenn WI 2.30pm Meeting followed by tea at KVH**

**Thursday 11th May 11.00am
Meeting Place at The Church Room**

**Saturday 13th May
Village Market/Coffee Morning 10-12noon
Kenn Village Hall**

**Wednesday 17th May Supper Club meet at The Drum
7.00 for 7.30pm**

**Saturday 27th May - Church Room for Christian Aid
Coffee Morning - 10.00 —12noon**

Monday 29th May — 8.00pm Book Club meet at The Drum



Heather Jenkins, with a big grin, cutting the grass behind her house, driving the tractor which her father Ray Naish used to own and drive.....

(photo from John Ball)



Some Easter flowers at
St. John the Evangelist,
Kenn



YATTON BOWLING CLUB



Have you ever given bowling a thought? We have a fantastic bowling green and clubhouse in the centre of Yatton, so why don't you come along and give it a try.

On Sunday 7th May 2017 at 2pm, we have an Open Afternoon for anyone interested in bowling. Bowls are available to use to start so no initial outlay necessary. All you need to bring is yourself and a pair of flat shoes. Bowls has no age boundaries and is open to all, We have ladies and men's teams, everyone welcome.

If you would like any more information contact :-

Simon Pascoe - 01275 878451

We are all looking forward to seeing lots of new faces bowling and joining us in the clubhouse for drinks.

You can find us next to the Yatton Primary School car park.

Neighbourhood Watch



Received 3rd April

Devon & Somerset Fire Brigade have asked that a warning go out regarding safety of tumble dryers and a copy of their document is attached for your information.

<https://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/media/29281067/tumble-dryer-advice.pdf>

Received 13th April

REMINDER – ensure sheds, garages and outbuildings are kept secure with good quality locks, hinges and door furniture. Consider securing valuable equipment with extra chains and padlocks.

Property mark tools and equipment and consider alarming the buildings.

Use the following link for advisory leaflet. https://www.aspolicestaysafe.co.uk/ViewerJS/#../wp-content/uploads/2016/08/Securing-your-garden-and-outbuildings_CJ014.pdf

Received 25th April

Between 21-24 April a burglary occurred at Kenn Street, Kenn. Entry was gained into the property, a search made and items stolen including an I.pad and laptop.

We have a few “cold caller stickers” left over from our order placed as a result of last month’s mention in this magazine.

If you would like one then please contact Jan or Colin Bedford.

KENN PARISH COUNCIL

2017

2017 MEETINGS

7:30pm at the Village Hall,
Kenn St, Kenn

8 May – Annual Council Meeting

3 July – Council Meeting

4 September – Council Meeting

6 November – Council Meeting

Agendas will be on noticeboards
3 days before the meeting.

North Somerset Council's Area Officer is
at Yatton Library every Friday from
10:30 – 12:00 No appointment needed.

KENN PARISH COUNCILLORS

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Chairman

Stephen Brain Tel: 07773 211 394

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Wilf Bessant Tel: 01275 872 406

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NORTH SOMERSET COUNCILLORS

Jill Iles 01934 830430 / 07976 202838

Judith Hadley 01275 563640

You can speak to both at Yatton Library from
10am–12noon, fourth Saturday of each month

2 years are provided for comparison

FINANCIAL REPORT TO ANNUAL PARISH MEETING ON 6 MARCH 2017

	2015/16	2016/17
COUNCIL balances brought down at 1 April	b/d 8,785.65	10,199.86
INCOME received during the year includes:		
Precept	5,500.00	11,000.00
Village Orderly grant	100.00	100.00
Council Tax Support Scheme	56.64	77.00
VAT refunds	589.58	
	14,442.29	21,966.44
Less EXPENDITURE costs during the year includes:		
Avon Local Council Association's subscription	71.71	75.30
Came & Co - Council Insurers	300.06	297.41
Internal Auditor	17.10	18.00
Grass Cutting	698.87	711.37
Village Hall hire £200	200.00	150.00
Clerk's Salary / HMRC paye etc	2,356.80	2,367.30
Contingencies - Cllr refunds/course	nil	80.00
Christmas Tree (2016/17 2 yrs)	nil	260.00
Admin / Stationery / Supplies	37.30	44.29
Email (2017/15 1 yr) website (2016/17 2yrs)	10.80	41.42
Petty Cash impress top-up	nil	38.16
New Noticeboard - cabinet £81.60	81.60	nil
Telephone box - Light fitting £10	10.00	nil
Vehicle Speed Activated Signs	nil	5,850.00
New planters £66.48 / Padlocks for Speed Signs £74.76	66.48	74.76
Grants 2015/16	180.00	nil
Church Grass Cutting Grant	100.00	100.00
Queen's 90 birthday commemorative medals	nil	107.00
VAT paid (refund to be claimed)		1,344.06
2015 Election £111.71 / Planning Consultant £725	111.71	725.00
	4,242.43	12,284.07
Balance carried forward to following financial year:	10,199.86	9,682.37

Kenn Parish Council's budget for 2017/2018 is a total of £5,500 made up of the following:

Insurance £350	Audits £100	Expenses & Administration £70
ALCA subscription £77	Hall and Room Bookings for meetings £225	
Staff costs/HMRC £2,407	Grass Cutting £1,500	Verge Cuts £200
Christmas Tree £136	Repairs £150	Contingencies £285