

# KENN NEWS & VIEWS

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES NOVEMBER

9th Andrew Jenkins  
Gina & Hilton Minakawa WA  
10th Irene Stowell  
13th Sheila Naish  
Jody Stowell  
16th Miles and Sheila Naish - W.A  
22nd Emma Palmer (Smith)  
27th Rebecca Brett (Fenwick)  
Sarah Melling (Griffin)  
28th Sarah Clark - a special one  
Grace & John Griffin - W.A.

## St. John the Evangelist, Kenn

### Altar Guild Members on Duty in November

Mrs. Sarah Clark  
Mrs. Ruth Dyer  
Mrs. Marianna Mackay

## December Rota

If any ladies are unable to do their week in December, please let Jean Naish know. Tel. 872493

- Many thanks

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>  
Mrs J. Fenwick/Mrs J. Pascoe

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>  
Mrs R. Bell/Mrs G. Griffin

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> - CAROL SERVICE  
Mrs M Stowell/Mrs H. Jenkins

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>  
Mrs J Cheek/Mrs M. Mackay

Mrs J. Naish, with helpers, will decorate the tree in Church for the Carol Service.

## CHURCHWARDEN NOTES

### Summer Walks

I would like to thank all the people who joined me on the Summer Walks this year. I am particularly pleased that so many Kingston people, together with people from Clevedon and Yatton joined in. It is another occasion when Kenn and Kingston people get together.

I would like to thank Irene Stowell who helped me arrange the last walk into Russ - when we walked across the 20-acre field, which I forgot to tell walkers, has always been known as 'Big Russ'.

I would also like to thank Robert Down for writing such excellent reports on the walks.

On the first walk of the summer, at Tickenham Court, I asked people if they would like to donate fifty pence each towards the upkeep of Kenn Church on each walk. Everyone readily agreed.

I am pleased to report that a total of just over £200 has been paid into the Church Account.

Ray Naish

### Christingle Service.

This year the Christingle Service in Kenn will be on Sunday 28th November at 11am. If you want to help make the Christingles please contact Julia Bush (01275 873554) or Jo Batten (01275 878782)  
It's Fun!

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## Bible Sunday

At the Kenn Family Service in October we celebrated Bible Sunday. We held a competition for children to make 'a picture or collage of a bible story'. Celia gave a talk about the bible being a library of wonderful stories. Romance, Mystery, Violence, Poetry and Parables can all be found.

Rosie, Jenny and Jack Treble and Eleanor Finlay brought along beautiful pictures to the service.

The service was followed by the usual coffee and chat and was enjoyed by all.

Kenn New Room and Loooom,  
it's nearly here!!

Over the last few weeks there has been tremendous progress on 'the build'. With the completion of the actual structure, the interior work began in earnest.

The walls were plastered, the electric wiring was installed, the beautiful wooden doors were fitted, the sink unit was put in and the toilet area tiled.

Most obvious to Kenn residents, however, was the connection of the plumbing to the main sewer, which necessitated digging up the road and the use of temporary traffic lights. Thank you for your forbearance.

As I write (28/10) I'm hoping the loo will be put in place tomorrow and available for use at the beginning of November.

I had hoped we could have a 'bit of a do' and invite Archdeacon Bob Evens to formally open the building but he's been elevated to higher things (he's been made a bishop) it's going to be close who gets the 'throne' first. It's great that we've got so far.

PS If you would like to help decorate the inside of the New Room please contact John and Grace Griffin (01275 872948)  
Thank you

There's still time to order your Ultimate Christmas Pudding (last date end November)  
Julia Bush 01275 873554

## Mary Rousell

I would like to thank so many people for the kindness shown to myself and my sisters upon the recent sad loss of our mother Mary Rousell.

Thanks to the many who sent cards and messages of sympathy and to those of you who attended the funeral. I have appreciated your gestures so very much.

A very special thank you must be said to Revd. Preb. John Andrews. His support and friendship, not just to Mum, but our whole family, has been tremendous. His love and prayers have helped us all at this sad time.

Angela Ndow  
(at The Garage)

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## PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

The Parish Council is delighted to announce that Kenn has been awarded "The Most Improved Village" category in the Best Kept Village Competition this year. This means that the village gained 90%+ of the available marks.

Many, many thanks are due to Robin Mackay and his helpers who spent a Saturday earlier in the year picking up dozens of bags full of rubbish thrown into the hedgerows. He hopes to make this an annual event and possibly to have a clean up in the winter when the foliage has died down and it is possible to see the litter. An award ceremony is being held at Cleeve Village Hall on 27<sup>th</sup> November.

Christmastide is drawing near and our thoughts are turning to the Christmas tree. Watch this space for more details.

We must thank Rob Treble for choosing our tree, John Griffin and Hartley Staples for putting it up, John Ball for seeing to the lights and last, but by no means least, Robin and Marianna Mackay for their generosity in allowing us to plug into their electricity supply.

The next meeting will be held on 6<sup>th</sup> December. All parishioners welcome.

Ann Holtham, Clerk

## SNIPPETS

### Coffee Morning 20<sup>th</sup> October

Sincere thanks to everyone who supported the Coffee Morning at The Hall, which raised £66 for Hall Funds.

### New Kitchen at Kenn Village Hall

The Hall Committee wishes to thank everyone who has helped to raise funds for the new kitchen.

Special thanks go to everyone who supported the Barbecue Evening, which was greatly enjoyed and raised £600 for Hall Funds.

We also thank all those who have given their time and energy so that Kennites may have a kitchen to be proud of.

### 10<sup>th</sup> November 7.30 pm at Kenn Village Hall

#### **Kenn Women's Institute**

Speaker Mrs. P. Davies

Subject Australia Ozdurance  
Competition – Autumn Leaves

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## **Christmas Flower Arrangements**

Organised by Kenn Women's Institute.

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November 7.30  
Tickets £3 including coffee/tea and homemade biscuits.

Kennites and friends are invited to a Christmas Flower Arranging Evening at Kenn Village Hall  
Bring your friends and neighbours along for some new ideas

## **Kenn Village Hall Jumble Sale for Hall Funds Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November at 2.30 pm**

A Jumble Sale will be held in the Village Hall for the new kitchen. Many stalls, Raffle -  
Offers of help will be appreciated.  
Goods to Hall 10 – 11 am

Ruth Dyer

## **Thank You**

Roly Hazell would like to thank everyone for their cards and good wishes on his recent 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Many thanks also to all those who have called in to see him during the last few weeks to help celebrate his birthday!

## **Thank You**

I would like to thank, most sincerely, all those kind people who sent cards and messages, made visits and telephoned during my recent stay in hospital and since I have returned home. It is wonderful to be able to live in such a caring community.

I am pleased to report that I am feeling much better now.

Many Thanks

Ray Naish

## **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

Kenn Village Xmas Party at The Village Hall in aid of the Bristol Oncology and Kenn Village Hall

Raffle prizes welcome also any help with the Buffet.

For details, please contact Avril on 07967 628 064

Dress to a Christmas glittery theme. Arrive early so you don't miss the fun.

Buffet served 8.30 pm sharp, followed by the raffle, then dance the night away!

Tickets now available @ £5 from Avril or Margaret Ball 874077

Avril Withyman

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## Dates for your Diary

### The Drum and Monkey

**Tuesday 2nd November from  
12.30 p.m. Village Lunch  
Everyone welcome**

### Kenn Village Hall and Field Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

**6.30 p.m.  
Bonfire Party with Fireworks  
organised by 2<sup>nd</sup> Clevedon Scouts**

Invitations from John Ball  
874077

Refreshments will be available

Clevedon Salerooms  
Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November 10.00 am  
Sale of Victorian and Later items

Kenn Village Hall  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November 7.30

**Kenn Women's Institute**

### Kenn Village Hall

**JUMBLE SALE**  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November  
2.30 pm

**The Drum and Monkey**  
**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**  
**"ROY ORBISON"**  
**Meal and Show £15**  
**Tickets now available**  
**Proceeds to Local Rotary**

## Flower Arrangement Kenn Village Hall

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November**  
**Demonstration**  
7.30 Kenn Women's Institute  
invites you to join them  
Entrance £3 to include coffee/tea

Clevedon Salerooms  
Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November 10.30 am  
Specialist Sale of Antique Furniture,  
Fine Art and Collectors Items

**Kenn Village Hall**  
**Christmas Clean/Decorate**

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November**  
7.30 pm – Cobweb Removal

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November**  
From 9.00 am  
Washing, Dusting and Polishing

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November**  
7.30 pm  
Trimming for Christmas Partys

All helpers are welcome

**St. John the Evangelist, Kenn**  
**Christingle Service**  
**11.00 a.m. Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November**

## Advance Dates

### Kenn Village Hall

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December**  
**Annual Christmas Tea Party**  
Invitations out mid- November  
(volunteers to help – please  
contact Jean Fenwick 875073)

**Kenn Village Hall**  
**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December 7.30 pm**

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## Kenn Parish Council Meeting

The Willows  
*(formerly the Vicarage)*  
Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December  
From 10.30 am

Mince Pies, Punch and Coffee  
Proceeds to  
Kenn Village Hall Funds

Tickets £2 from  
Marlene Arney, Irene Stowell,  
Margaret Ball, Drum & Monkey

**Drum & Monkey**  
**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Village Lunch**  
**(Please note the date**  
**- 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday not 1<sup>st</sup>)**

**Kenn Village Green**  
**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Carols on the Green**

**Kenn Village Hall**

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Kenn Village**  
**XMAS PARTY**  
7.30 - 4 - 8.00  
'till late  
**Over 18's Disco**

**Drum and Monkey**  
**Monday December 20<sup>th</sup>**  
**"THE EVERLEY BROTHERS"**  
**Meal and Show £15 tickets**  
**available soon**

**Kenn Village Hall**  
**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> December -**

## Children's Christmas Party

### St. Luke's Little Summer

Since I was a child, I have often heard country people talk about St. Luke's Little Summer in October. They have always said that around St. Luke's tide there are a few very warm sunny days.

It definitely happened this year. St. Luke's Day was on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October. It started with a damp morning but turned into a very warm sunny day with bright sunshine until dusk. The following day was the same. I drove out into the moor and stayed there until six o'clock. It was so warm and pleasant that it was a pleasure to be out there.

People years ago knew what they were walking about weather-wise.

St. Luke is the Patron Saint of Doctors and Physicians.

Ray Naish

Play Bridge for Fun

Tuesdays 7.45 - 9.45

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KINGSTON SEYMOUR VILLAGE  
HALL

Bar available - Admission £2

Kenn People Welcome

Contact nos.

01934 838240 Mr. Calderbank

01934 834461 - Sylvia Stokes

After a shaky start due to the cardboard box we provided for our speaker's projector gradually subsiding, a large tin of paint was found to make the perfect stand for the instrument. Mr Anton Bantock told us he lives and teaches in Bristol and the second the bell rings at the end of term he's off - this time to Calcutta.

He used a very small travel agency in Wells and his journey, all by public transport, went through France, The Balkans, Greece, Turkey, Syria and Iraq.

Travelling with only a duffle bag on extremely crowded trains and often having to stand or sit on the floor, Mr Bantock's beady but kindly eye for the bizarre or comic found plenty of material for his sketch book. The resulting wonderful drawings were far more evocative than slides could be.

Turkish families crowded on board with endless boxes and bags full of smelly food, the aroma being added to by the men taking off their shoes. At one stop soldiers mounted the train shouting 'Doctor'; Mr Bantock looking the best bet; he was hauled off the train. This was to attend a small boy who had been stung, and luckily he had a tube of anti-sting cream, which worked.

Despite their aggression the soldiers adore their children and men take the name of their eldest son. Turks eat melons all the time everywhere is covered in melon skins - apparently including the Bosphorus!

To travel in the countries enjoyed by Mr Bantock needs many visas

## **Kenn Women's Institute**

Congratulations to our Skittles Team - they won their first match of the Knockout against Easton-in-Gordano by 20 pins: Good Luck for the next round.

Our October competition 'I wouldn't travel without it' was won by Madeleine Crawley with Margaret Chappell gaining silver and Heather Saxby received green.

October 27th will see us enjoying our Birthday by having lunch at the Drum & Monkey in Kenn: it's a nice change to have someone else doing the cooking!

On November 10th Mrs Davies will be talking on 'Australia - Ozdurance' and the competition is Autumn Leaves.

**DO NOT FORGET THE FLOWER ARRANGING DEMONSTRATION** on the 24th November - £3.00 per person at Kenn Village Hall including tea and biscuits: do come it is a super evening.

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and these documents take a long time to procure; so long that sometimes the visa had run out before his arrival in the country concerned.

In Iraq he had trouble with the border guard and now he wonders if one of the soldiers was Saddam Hussein at the start of his army career. Mr Bantock showed us a wonderful sketch he had made of the Mosque at Baghdad and he sadly wondered how it fared now.

He travelled by bus and a 'taxi', which kept driving round the town until it was full, and then it would proceed to the next destination. The dilapidated buildings often had their external walls hung with beautiful carpets.

His talk was so full of interest and events that we only reached Iraq! Mr Bantock has promised to return and take us to Calcutta. A fascinating man, he has been to so many places including Egypt, Siberia, and Japan. He writes books about his travels and the proceeds from these and his talks go into a fund for educating children in the Third World.

Please join us for our November meeting at 7.30 p.m. in Kenn Village Hall; a 50p entrance fee for visitors help our funds to provide interesting speakers who all have to be paid because of high travelling costs these days. **YOU WILL BE VERY WELCOME!**

Rosemarie Ford 01275 542651

## **Bird News I**

October is something of an 'in-between' month. Most of our summer birds have left and not many of the winter visitors have arrived.

Two or three Hobbies were in the vicinity of Littlewood on the 4<sup>th</sup> and I spotted one from the train on the 6<sup>th</sup> – quite a late date.

A charm of 25 Goldfinches was enjoying the thistle heads on Kenn Moor and on the 11<sup>th</sup> I noted about 40 Redwings flying over Yatton.

By the 15<sup>th</sup> there were no less than 5 Little Grebes on the River Yeo at Congresbury and a single Mediterranean Gull with a flock of 180 Black Headed Gulls on wet fields nearby.

There was a Stonechat on the YACWAG Congresbury Moor reserve, a sure sign that winter is on the way. Conversely, a single Swallow flew over to remind us of summer.

Nationally, there are indications of an influx of Short Eared Owls, so perhaps we shall be seeing some in our area during the winter months.

Finally, Jill and I did allow ourselves a trip to Abergavenny to see a Golden Oriole. This was a very confiding (young) individual, gorging itself on elderberries.

It is an extremely late migrant that should have gone at least six weeks previously. It was the

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first ever Golden Oriole for us, a lovely colourful bird.

Trevor Riddle

## **Bird News II**

A pair of Swans hatched a brood of nine cygnets out in the moor last spring. They are still there, all the young have survived. Any time now they will learn to fly. Young Swans generally take to the air in November. Unfortunately, some of them fly into electricity wires and are killed before they gain experience.

It is 25<sup>th</sup> October; I have just seen a huge flock of Terns on a flooded field in Nailsea Moor. This is a sure sign of rough weather to come.

Jeff saw a Stonechat on Tickenham Moor.

Ray Naish

## **Margaret's Mutterings**

### **News from the Drum**

Mike Beardshaw, who kindly donated the gas cooker for the new kitchen at The Village Hall, is delighted with the Fund Raising at The Drum.

Mike tells me that so far this year (26<sup>th</sup> October) the amount raised for Charity is £10,620. This has been achieved thanks to the special 'Show Nights', The Sponsored Chest Wax and the weekly Raffles.

Well done to Mike and Kelly and their team.

Thanks to Avril and Stuart Withyman who, with 'my' John, tidied up and replaced the granite chippings on several of the oldest graves in our churchyard – Very much appreciated.

## **Village Flag**

Robin and Marianna Mackay at Church Path Cottage are now keepers of the flag and are always keen to hear of celebrations etc.

## **Roland Hazell - Another Nonagenarian**

Our flag was flown on the 4<sup>th</sup> October to celebrate the ninetieth birthday of Roly Hazell.

## **Dorothy Lillian May Walker**

Our flag was flown at half-mast on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> October to mark the passing of Mrs Walker in Clevedon on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>.

Doll, who was in her 92<sup>nd</sup> year, was well known to many villagers. In fact we felt she was an honorary Kennite, having stayed with daughter Jane and Hartley for many short periods during the past few years.

We send our love, sympathy and condolences to Jane and her family

## **Kenn Village Xmas Party**

Thanks to Avril Withyman (Flower) for getting the ball rolling

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December  
7.30 pm - 4 - 8.00 pm**

**Over 18's Disco**

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This is a fun, fundraising evening  
Bring your own booze

**Buffet served 8.30 pm sharp**  
Raffle  
Dress to a Glitter Theme

In aid of  
**BRISTOL ONCOLOGY**  
and  
**KENN VILLAGE HALL**

Tickets are on sale at £5 each  
From: Avril 07967 628064  
and me 01275 874077

Margaret Ball

## Point to Ponder

The Lord of the Manor was strutting down his village street, head held high, when he met an old man; a fellow villager, walking along stooping with his head hung down.

The Lord said, “ Good Morning George, Why do you walk with your head hung down like that, why don’ t you walk upright like me?”

The old man thought a minute and then said “ Tiz like this Sir, have you ever looked at a field of ripe corn. The heads of wheat that are full are bent over, but the ones that are empty are standing upright” .

R.V.N.

## What's on at The Drum?

Every **WEDNESDAY** the  
**PUB QUIZ**

All welcome  
Free to enter Quiz  
Raffle with proceeds  
To Charity

Come for a meal - stay for the  
Quiz

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**  
**VILLAGE LUNCH**

All welcome  
Meet from 12.30

Please Note - December  
**VILLAGE LUNCH -**  
**14<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**  
**Another Charity Night**

Keith Manifold is  
**ROY ORBISON**

Tickets £15 per head to include  
a three-course meal and  
entertainment.

Proceeds to Local Rotary

**THE DRUM XMAS DRAW**  
**£1 per ticket**

Prizes to include T.V. bike,  
meat, fruit & veg. D.V.D.  
players, etc. lots and lots more.

**The Cards are behind the bar**

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Put your name and phone  
number on the card and the  
Best of Luck

The Draw takes place on the  
Sunday before Christmas  
19<sup>th</sup> December at 8.30  
All Welcome

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> December  
"THE EVERLEY BROS"  
Meal and Show £15

What do you call Santa's Helpers?  
Subordinate Clauses

## PARISH OF YATTON MOOR

1st Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November  
THE THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE  
ADVENT

8.00 *Holy Communion Kenn*  
8.00 Holy Communion Claverham  
9.30 Parish Communion Yatton  
9.30 Holy Communion Cleeve  
11.00 Family Service  
Kingston Seymour  
18.00 Deanery Evensong Yatton

2nd Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November  
THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE  
ADVENT

**Remembrance Sunday**

8.00 Holy Communion Yatton  
9.00 Holy Communion Yatton  
9.30 Holy Communion Claverham  
10.00 Remembrance Service Yatton  
followed by Wreath Laying at War  
Memorial  
10:55 Remembrance Service Cleeve

11.00 *Holy Communion Kenn*  
18.00 Remembrance Service  
Kingston Seymour  
18.00 Evening Service for the  
remembrance of loved ones Yatton.

3rd Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November  
THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE  
ADVENT

**Christ the King**

8.00 Holy Communion Claverham  
9.30 Family Communion Yatton  
9.30 Holy Communion Cleeve  
11.00 Holy Communion  
Kingston Seymour  
14.30 Holy Baptism Yatton  
18.00 *Evensong Kenn*

4th Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November  
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF  
ADVENT

8.00 Holy Communion Yatton  
8.00 Holy Communion  
Kingston Seymour  
9.30 Parish Communion Yatton  
9.30 Holy Communion Cleeve  
10.00 Christingle Service Claverham  
11.00 *Christingle Service Kenn*  
18.00 Ecumenical/Team  
Advent Carol Service  
at Yatton Methodist Church

**HOLY DAY IN NOVEMBER**  
30<sup>th</sup> Andrew the Apostle

8.30 Holy Communion Yatton

**WEEKDAY SERVICES**

Daily 8.30 Morning Prayer at Yatton  
(except Holy Days)

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Every Wednesday:

10.00 Holy Communion Yatton

1st Wednesday in month:

11.00 Holy Communion

Kingston Seymour

***3rd Wednesday in month:***

***17<sup>th</sup> November***

***11.00 Holy Communion Kenn***

4th Wednesday in month:

11.00 Holy Communion Claverham

Every Thursday:

9.30 Holy Communion Cleeve

19.30 Holy Communion Yatton