

KENN NEWS & VIEWS

Well done to all.

Sheila

Birthdays and Anniversaries

September

- 1st - Tina Smith
Clare & Matt Hibbs (WA)
2nd - Marianna & Robin Mackay
(WA)
- Tina & Mike Smith (WA)
3rd – Mrs. Renee Russell
7th - Mike and Joan Stephens (WA)
8th - Matthew Hayden
- Martin Jaehme
11th – Louise Lewis (The Drum)
18th - Jean Fenwick
20th - Jessica Quinn
20th – Sam Stowell-Hibbs
20th - Clive & Suzanne Golding-Ellis
(WA)
24th - Iris and Dennis Goldsworthy
(WA)
25th - Caroline and John Hayden
(WA)
26th - Joanna (Staples) Cheek
28th - Heather Jenkins

Naish's Notes

Many thanks to all the people involved in the Spanish Evening at the Hall. It was a really enjoyable evening.

The Paella was better than any I have tasted in Spain. The Sangria was excellent too!

Not sure about the Bull being named 'Beckham'. (nearest guess... not got that either!). but many 'guffaws' as to why someone would think of Beckham which cannot be printed here!

Mind you, Margaret got 'pin the tail on the bull' mixed up with the 'donkey' – more laughs there too.

A really fun evening.

Condolences

We send our deepest condolences to Robin, Marianna and family on the death of Robin's mother.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Justin Naish and Melanie Woodward on their recent engagement.

Babysitter

Lady available, reliable and more mature – telephone Sarah Chilcott on 077 1720 5194.
Highly recommended – own transport

From the mouths of babes

The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic Elementary School for lunch.

At the head of the table was a large pile of apples.

The nun made a note and posted it on the apple tray.
"Take only ONE, God is watching".

Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies.

A child had written a note
"Take all you want. God is watching the apples!"

Priceless!.....

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A.V.W. car key was handed in after the Kenn & Kingston Combine day
Contact Margaret or John 874077

Celebrations

John and Jenny Croxton are pleased to announce the wedding of Stephen to Petra Kersemakers on 1st September in Valkenburg.

A blessing of the marriage will take place on Tuesday 6th September at 3 pm at Holy Trinity Church, Nailsea, followed by a reception at Kenn Village Hall.

All friends are welcome at the church.

Church News

The Harvest Services will be held on Sunday 11th September. At the morning Family Service children are invited to bring Harvest Gifts. These, with any gifts that parishioners may like to make, will be distributed to the sick and elderly later in the week. Eggs and tinned goods are very acceptable. They are so easy to distribute to elderly people who are no longer able to cook their own food.

There will be a Special Service of Evensong at 6.00 p.m. It is hoped there will be large congregations at both services.

All are welcome to attend.

Julia Bush and Ray Naish

Monthly Coffee Morning

The third monthly Kenn Coffee Morning was held on Saturday 20th August.

This time the event was hosted by Caroline, John, Matthew and Rebecca Hayden and Abigail Smith.

The children helped with the preparation and serving of homemade biscuits and flapjacks.

Abigail directed the tea and coffee making. Rebecca kept clean cups coming as she was washing up supervisor.

At the children's request, the £32 raised will go to the R.S.P.C.A.

About 30 people attended. A warm sunny morning reflected the relaxed atmosphere of the gathered neighbours, friends and relatives.

Laughter and chatter could be heard as the conversation shifted between the weather, politics and local concerns. The ambiance of the holiday season was present as no one was in a hurry to move on.

The next Coffee Morning will be on Saturday 17th September.

Caroline Holden.

N.B. Julia welcomes offers from Villagers to Host these Monthly Coffee Mornings.

A Wheelchair For St John's

A wheelchair has been acquired for use in and around the church, and was in evidence at the August Family Service.

If you want to use it, just ask the churchwardens or Celia or John Andrews.

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Julia Bush

August Family Service at St John's - A (new) Pilgrim's Progress

On a beautiful, sunny morning the church was filled with family groups, some local and some who had come especially for the baptism of Chloe Louise Hayzen.

In her youth, Chloe's mum, Louise (nee Pugh) was a member of Kenn Sunday Club, it was lovely to see her again.

We were also celebrating the life of John Bunyan and Celia and John skilfully wove the themes of Bunyan's best known book 'Pilgrim's Progress' into this special service marking the beginning of Chloe's Christian journey through life.

The service was followed by coffee, chat and lots of photos.

Julia Bush

Thanks

Celia and Julia say 'Thanks' to everyone who bought cakes at the Croquet Match on Sunday 28th.

We raised over £50 for the Blay Family in Kumasi Ghana

St. John's Altar Guild

September Rota

Mrs. Juliet Stowell Mrs. Sue Pugh
and Mrs. Jan Bedford and Mrs Wendy Papasolomontos

THE HARVEST SUPPER

This year's Harvest Supper will be held on Sunday 11th September at just after 7pm, following Evensong at St John's.

The cost will be £6 for adults and £3 for children under 12, an absolute bargain for the feast you will receive.

Any profit will be shared between the Friends of Kenn Church and Village Hall Funds.

Following the success of last year's event we have decided to repeat the same formula. So the menu will be:
Roast Pork (with all the trimmings)
A Superb display of Scrumptious Puddings
Cheese & Biscuits
Coffee or Tea and Mint Chocolates

We will see the return of our hugely popular celebrity Carvers who helped make last year's event run so smoothly.

Once again we need your help to make this year's Supper an evening to remember. Please could we have Volunteers to make Puddings, peel veg & lay tables.

Tickets from Marianna & Robin (340323), Jenny & Simon (878451) or Margaret & John (874077) please.

We will not be selling any drinks so please bring your own favourite tippie (and a glass) as well as your own cutlery.

Remember last year's Supper was oversubscribed, and this year we will be limiting the numbers to 100 tickets, ***FIRST COME FIRST SERVED*** so book you tickets NOW.

Robin Mackay

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Cleaner Wanted

Contact: Mrs. Nicola Hargreaves of the Old School, Kenn Street.

KENN NOTES

Our Flag on the Village Green

Wedding at Kenn

We flew our flag on Saturday 6th August to celebrate the marriage at St. John's of our own Amy Bedford and Matt Davis.

Village Christening

Our flag was raised and flown on Sunday 28th August to mark the baptism at St. John's of Chloe Louise Hayzen, daughter of Damon and Louise. Chloe, who recently celebrated her first birthday is niece to Mark Pugh and granddaughter to Dave and Sue Pugh of Poppins, Kenn Street.

Sunday Afternoon in an English Village

'Let's do something to get Kingston and Kenn together.'

'Let's do something to raise money for charity.'

'Let's do something to contribute to the church General Fund'.

'Let's have some FUN!'

'Let's have a croquet match on Bank Holiday Sunday.'

We could do cream teas.

Oh, and a barbecue.

Oh, and stalls selling books and cakes and toys.'

'How about joining it up with the Rolls Royce Rally chez John and Margaret Ball.

I think that's how it all started,

I was only on the fringes. I know that lots of people put a lot of hard work into planning what turned out to be a wonderful event.

The weather was perfect, the cars, together with Mike Bell's wonderful steam boat Annabelle were spectacular,

The croquet was without mercy, and Kingston well and truly won the Tug of War!

Everywhere there were people enjoying themselves, whether they were serving (the teas) selling (at the stalls) or sizzling (over the barby) or strolling about, sampling the goodies.

The thing I shall remember, however, were the folks coming to a village event for the first time who were bowled over by just how pleasant it was to chat and wander in such a lovely atmosphere.

One Clevedonian just looked about him and said 'This is what it's all about, isn't it.'

Julia Bush

Kenn wedding on August 6th

August 6th has come and gone but it will always be a day that holds wonderful memories for Amy, Matt, and their families.

Our best wedding hopes went awry from the very beginning as many guests arrived during brief showers and others were tied up in horrendous traffic jams around Bristol. Nevertheless when we

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began the service half-an-hour late the rain had stopped for the day.

Reverend Avril Gaunt conducted a truly beautiful service. So many of the congregation complimented Avril afterwards and commented on what a lovely church we have in Kenn. It occurred to us that elsewhere we might not have been able to hold up the start of the service! Mr and Mrs Davis came out from the church in fine weather with the flag flying and to a tremendous peal of bells.

Photographs were taken outside the church and in Marianna and Robin Mackay's spectacular garden. Amy and Matt were then chauffeured in style to Bristol in John and Margaret Ball's green Rolls. We had an afternoon and evening reception at Byzantium, a restaurant in Portwall Lane (opposite St Mary Redcliffe). The staff, the atmosphere and the food were brilliant and a good time was had by one and all. Amy and Matt went on honeymoon to Spain the next day and returned last weekend a very happy couple.

We could spend forever saying "thank-you" to all the Kenn folk who helped us so much with our wedding plans and list names – but you all know who you are. Our church itself relies on all those volunteers who give their time and effort to care for it throughout the years. Our arrangements with the church, besides with Avril and John Andrews, mainly came through Jean and Ray Naish – always there with the key, with advice and with a welcoming smile!

On the day, in the showers, it gave us a wonderful warm feeling to arrive at the churchyard and see all those Kenn villagers and other friends who had come to watch and cheer us on. Amy, in particular, was touched that so many people had remembered her.

A heartfelt THANKS to one and all!

Jan and Colin Bedford
Amy and Matt Davis.

PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

There has been no news so far from the organisers of the Village of the Year Competition. We must hope that no news is good news and try to keep the village litter-free in case the judges pay one last quick visit.

BT is carrying out a survey of rural telephone kiosks, with a view to getting rid of boxes that are coin operated. The Parish Council has emphasised that it wishes the kiosk to be retained as it is often used by passers by as well as villagers.

If we do manage to keep our 'phone box, it will be operated by telephone cards, credit or debit cards.

The next meeting will be on Monday 3rd October at 7.30 p.m. Councillors hope to see you there.

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Ann Holtham
Clerk to the Council,

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Clevedon Salerooms
Thursday 1st September 10 am

Sale of Victorian and Later Furniture
and Effects

Drum & Monkey
Tuesday 6th September
Village Lunch from 12.30
everyone welcome

Every Wednesday
QUIZ NIGHT
All Welcome

KENN FUNDRAISING
Saturday 10th September
3.00pm

Cream Teas and Fundraising
at The Willows, Kenn
(formerly The Vicarage)
Tickets £3.00
Proceeds to Kenn Village Hall

Kenn Village Hall
HARVEST THANKSGIVING
SUPPER

Sunday 11th September
7.00 for 7.15
Admission by ticket only

Cloverlea, Kenn Street
Monday 12th September 7 pm
meet for a walk with Ray Naish

Your Garden Gate
Wednesdays 14th & 28th
September
Recycling Collection

Wednesday 14th September at
7.30 pm at Kenn Village Hall

Kenn W.I. Meeting
Speaker Mr Roger Morgan on
'The Life and Times of
Obadiah Hackett'
Competition - an unusual or pretty
photo-frame

The New Church Room
Saturday 17th September

10.00 - 12 noon
COFFEE MORNING

Clevedon Salerooms
Thursday 22nd September
10.30 a.m.

Specialist Antique Sale

ADVANCE DATES

Kenn Village Hall
Monday 3rd October
7.30 pm Kenn Parish Council
Meeting.

Kenn Village Hall
Wednesday 26th October
2.00 pm
JUMBLE SALE
For Hall Funds

KENN & KINGSTON KOMBINE
Friday 21st October
Trafalgar Day Celebration
at Kenn Village Hall

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Proceeds to
Jessie May Trust
and Yatton Moor General Fund

PAELLA PLUS

The 'plus' side of this evening was the 'easy' bit – a BBQ seems to have become a tradition in Kenn. The unknown was the Paella, but judging by the lack of 'leftovers; and the general hubbub within

the hall, I think everybody had a good evening.

The evening raised an excellent total of £945 which has been split between the Clevedon Cottage Hospital and the ACTS Aids Clinic in Mpumalanga, South Africa. We intend to send photos of the evening to ACTS as they value seeing the fund raising efforts of people from other parts of the world that, effectively, keeps them afloat.

For those who have read recent press comment as to the effectiveness of overseas charity fundraising and are sceptical as to how much aid actually gets to the 'front line', I can assure you that EVERY PENNY goes by bank transfer to the clinic direct.

On behalf of Clevedon Cottage Hospital and ACTS thanks to you all.

Simon and Jenny

BIRD NEWS 1

It was interesting, as always, last month to read Ray's notes last month, especially about the apparent glut of House Martins in Paris. The species is definitely in reduced numbers in this area, so perhaps some of 'our' birds have nested further south.

There have been a few early autumn migrant birds along the sea wall; one or two Whimbrel, a few Wheatears and about 30 Ringed Plovers. Meanwhile on Kenn Moor, the Hobbies seem to be more elusive than usual this year, although both birds were present in early August. There was also a nice Linnet flock and a juvenile Wheatear.

KENN WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Kenn Women's Institute would like to thank everyone for their support of the Wine and Cheese Evening.

The grand sum of £463.10 was raised for the new children's hospice at Wraxall.

The September meeting will be held on the 14th at 7.30 pm when Mr. Roger Morgan will be speaking on 'The Life and Times of Obadiah Hackett'. The Competition will be for an unusual or pretty photo-frame.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

Thanks

Robin and Marianna would like to thank everyone who sent condolences on the death of Robin's mother

What AIDS Can't Do

AIDS is so limited.
It cannot cripple **LOVE**
It cannot shatter **HOPE**
It cannot corrode **FAITH**
It cannot take away **PEACE**
It cannot destroy **CONFIDENCE**
It cannot kill **FRIENDSHIP**
It cannot shut out **MEMORIES**
It cannot silence **COURAGE**
It cannot invade **THE SOUL**
It cannot reduce **ETERNAL LIFE**
It cannot quench **THE SPIRIT**

Our greatest enemy is not disease
but despair.

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A few Terns are moving though our reservoirs, with 16 Common Terns at Blagdon recently and 25 Black Terns at Chew Valley Lake. The latter species always arrives after an easterly wind. Finally, in late July, there was news of a pair of Bee Eaters nesting near Hereford. A formal watch-point was established by

the R.S.P.B with the co-operation of the farmer and a group of us enjoyed wonderful views of these 'rainbow' birds (they are twice the size of a Kingfisher and even more colourful).

A modest car park 'donation' helped the farmer – the local butcher was doing a trade selling real beefburgers and there was plenty of custom for the nearby restaurant. Sadly a fox predated the nest one night and after a few days the adult birds left the area.

Trevor Riddle

BIRD NEWS II

It is easy to tell that an early Autumn is on the way because Owls are beginning to make themselves heard, especially Little Owls.

Some birds are beginning to show themselves again after hiding during their period of moult. I have seen several Robins in their pristine new plumage, also Blackbirds are getting noisy again, with their warning sounds when cats are around.

I am told that the Swifts have departed for Africa. They are always the first of the summer visitors to go.

Every evening there are dozens of Swallows and House Martins flying around Stonehouse Farm and the area around. They seem to disappear during the day.

Two Cormorants have been seen perched on the electricity pylon near Kenn River at

Nailsea Wall Farm. In wonder why they favour this very exposed perching place?

Ray Naish

01275 872493

More about Kenn School

I apologise to readers who may find reference to Kenn School boring, but if some remembrances are not recorded, soon all memories will be lost forever.

There are only thirteen people left living in the Village who were former pupils. The School closed in the early 1950's due to a shortage of pupils. A few weeks after it was closed a large family moved into the village which would have saved it.

On its closure, the School Mistress, Mrs. Olive Griffiths, was directed to Kingston Seymour School taking her pupils with her.

During the 1920's all school pupils in Somerset were obliged to take an examination at ten years old called The Scholarship. This continued at Kenn until the school was closed. When I started school in 1931, there was a shield on the wall stating that Kenn School had the highest pass rate of the Scholarship in Somerset for the year 1930.

It was a one hundred per cent pass rate. One girl had sat for the Scholarship and passed, hence the 100% pass rate. The girl was Joyce Moores, who lived with her mother and father, George and Clara Moores who kept the Post Office. Joyce later married John Say. I think she is still alive, living in Devon.

When I sat for my Scholarship in 1936, there were three of us sitting. The other two were girls. Betty Hollyman who lived at "Cherry Tree Cottage", Moor Road and Annie Wainwright who lived at "Moorgates" Kenn Street. None of us passed.

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The Reverend Thatcher was School Manager at that time. He had to sit in with us while we took our exam to make sure there was no cheating.

After the exam was over, he walked down to the farm to tell my parents that he was certain I hadn't passed because I hadn't done anything, except, in the last part, when we had to write a composition on "A Day in the Life of a Farmer".

When we were eleven we had to go to "The New School" in Highdale Avenue, Clevedon.

Sadly, Betty and Annie are no longer with us. The oldest ex Kenn School pupils still living in the Village are Sam Staples aged 91 and Roland Hazell aged 90.

Ray Naish

'Tails' of fur & hair.....

September at Yew Tree Farm will be akin to a maternity ward with 16 heifers due to deliver their first calves. A busier month than ever for Robert Willcox coaxing the young mums through their first steps in the milking parlour! This as well as the experienced girls calving as usual should prove to be fun!

Procreation however has been curbed almost completely with his feral population; It is a fact that these days with corn not being grown at 'Yew Tree' that there is little for a feral pussy to do and the rare rodent that dares to cross the yard is not half as tasty as Tesco's cat biscuits!

There are seven feral cats in residence; namely Guinness, Ginger Beer, Aunty, Mummie, Ginger, Cider & Tia, (known as Tia Maria until the vet declared her a him - oops!). Aunty, Ginger & G.B. having been 'done' courtesy of the 'Cats Protection League'. This leaves the others to

be booked & caught for their operations.

Grateful thanks then for the League who in their mission to improve feline health and improve welfare will supply £20 vouchers for discounts on Cat Neutering & spaying. For information - 01934844809 / 613747.

Returning to Calving now, some Kennites may have noticed two brown small barrel shaped young ladies... the Jersey's are almost a year old now. It is hoped that more will be born in September increasing the butter fat yield of the herd in years to come.

October brings the cooler, darker nights and of course fireworks. Robert would appreciate, please, notice in advance of any fireworks in Kenn. Unfortunately bangs, whizzes & crackles frighten the girls and bruised knees, bottoms, udders or worse is the result. However, with notice the cows can be moved away from the vicinity of Guy Fawkes parties. Please do not hesitate to phone if you are planning fireworks, (872837), Many thanks - Moo!

Lise Willcox

Sounds we don't hear in Kenn anymore!

Years ago there were many sounds that are no longer heard in the village.

First of all, the factory hooters no longer sound. Here are some of the hooters we used to hear, early in the morning, at lunch-time and at the end of the working day: the ones at Court de Wycke Tannery at Claverham, at Wake and Deans Furniture factory at Yatton, Clevedon Brick Yard in Strode Road, The Gas Works in Moor Lane, Clevedon, Clevedon Laundry in Kimberley Road, the Sawmills in Old Street, Clevedon and Hales Cakes in East Clevedon.

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Another sound no longer heard is the huge Fielding and Platt Engine, with its distinctive beat, grinding corn in the mill, which is now John and Grace Griffin's home, "The Granary" in Duck Lane, Kenn.

Before the Motorway was constructed, on Sundays, the church bells could be heard from Yatton Church, Kingston Church, All Saints, St. Johns and St. Andrews churches in Clevedon, according to which way the wind was blowing.

On Saturdays, when Clevedon Town was playing football on the old football field behind the Sawmills, we could always tell when they had scored a goal, also the sound of the train running through Russ on the Clevedon branch line.

Before the war, the Light Railway, which ran from Portishead, through Clevedon to Weston-super-Mare could be heard because it had a distinctive roaring siren, which was sounded as it crossed over the roads at Colehouse Lane and New Cut Bow at Kingston Seymour.

Ray Naish

Margaret's Mutterings

Sympathy

Our thoughts were with the Mackay family recently following the death of Robin's mother. Deepest sympathy goes to Robin and Marianna and family.

Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to Ray and Chip Granger who have recently moved into Moorgate Lodge, Duck Lane (formerly the sausage factory).

Kenn Village Hall

At a recent meeting of Kenn Village Hall Committee we were delighted that Lise Willcox, Marianna Mackay, John Haydon

and Avril and Stuart Withyman have agreed to join the Committee.

Mrs Jean Fenwick of The Laurels, Kenn Street, Kenn tel. 01275 875073 has kindly taken on the job of Booking Secretary.

Following the most successful event last year - Avril and Stuart are planning another Christmas Party on Saturday 10th December and it is hoped to have a 'live band' this year! Note the date in your diaries now!

Plans are afoot to rebuild the porch end of our lovely hall to include improved toilet, baby-changing and storage facilities etc. - so please, please support all the fundraising events.

The first of these is the CREAM TEA at The Willows (the old Vicarage) on Saturday 10th September thanks to the hospitality of Marlene and John Arney. This will be followed by a Jumble Sale at the Village Hall at 2.00pm on Wednesday 26th October (during half-term) - both for Hall Funds.

It was noted that Clevedon Salerooms have, in the past and hopefully will again, not taken their usual charges on items sold in aid of Kenn Village Hall - so, if you have something suitable for auction and would like to donate the proceeds to the Village Hall have a word with Marc or Toby.

Kenn & Kingston Combine 28th August

Well, we thought it went well - hope you did too. In excess of £1,500 was raised for

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Charity, Thanks go to so many people, but special thanks go to the Kingston Seymour ladies for the superb Cream Teas, the Kenn B.B.Q. team of Jenny and Simon augmented by the extended Bell family and Avril, accompanied by Rosie. To the Duck Lane Tombola Team, to Jo, Jean and all their helpers on the stalls. To Stephan on the 'bar'. To John Andrews who organised the Croquet.

Make a diary date for August Bank Holiday Sunday 2006 when the second Annual Croquet and Tug of War Matches might possibly happen!

Thank you all again for such wonderful support.
John and Margaret Ball

News from our Correspondent at Whitehouse Farm

Evidence of a huge beast roaming our area is becoming more apparent. There have been sightings of 'strange droppings' in both Davis and Court Lanes.

(Typist's note – Sorry Stuart the photographs did not reproduce well enough!)

On a serious note – fly tipping is on the increase and should be reported to North Somerset Council on 01934 888888.

Stuart Withyman

Correspondence

This is a call to Kenn Parish Council to put forward to have a speed camera at the bottom of the Motorway bridge.

At 4.00 am Saturday 20th August, I was awakened by the Drum and Monkey shaking violently, looking out of my

bedroom window, I saw a car had sped down from the M5 bridge and embedded itself into the corner of our toilet. It had not taken the bend at the bottom of the hill - it came straight across the grass and into the corner of our toilet -there is a little structural damage to the pub, but the Vauxhall Astra was a 'write-off'.

What would have happened had it been a busy lunchtime or evening?

The driver was a young lad who had borrowed his Gran's car without her knowledge, was way over the drinking limit, suffered probably, a broken nose and a cut to his leg that needed stitches.

Again, what would have happened had it happened during a busy daytime?

On that note, would the Parish Council do better to put forward to have a speed camera than to say 'no' to well-made stocks being put on the Villagers' Green. Having spoken to the 'Highways', they are aware that the stocks are there, but have not had any application for them to be put on the Villager's Green. The same as many other villages have throughout the country. E.g. go and see the ones at Farrington Gurney. Our stocks are well made and can be locked so that health and safety is not an issue. Let us remember we call it the Village Green for the people of the Village. It might belong to the 'Highways', but we, as a village, pay for the upkeep.

Does the Christmas Tree have permission to be erected each year on the Villagers' Green? We must remember that if it is called the Village Green it belongs to the Village and not one or two people.

Mike Beardshaw.

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STOP PRESS FROM THE DRUM!

Sincere thanks to everyone who supported **JUDGEMENT DAY** on Monday 29th August. In the region of **£4,000.00** has been raised for **Clevedon Cottage Hospital**

What's on at The Drum?

Kenn Village Lunch
Tuesday 6th September, meet
between 12 and 12.30.
All are welcome.

Tuesday 27th September MEDIEVAL
NIGHT

A few seats left.
Got to have a costume to make the
Night a Success.
£15 per person. Wooden plates,
daggers, fingers and Mead

Tuesday 25th October
You've seen the Wurzels, now see
THE TINKER BOYS
and supporting comedian.
£15 per person
3 course meal included

Monday 28th and Tuesday 29th
November
The talented Wayne Dilks is
"George Michael"
Tickets £20 per person
3 course meal and entertainment.
Tuesday is sold out - 20-25 seats
left for Monday Night.
This is the best you can get!

Every Wednesday is Quiz Night. All
welcome. There is no charge - just a
Fun Night

1st-24th December - Christmas Menus
are now available
Christmas Day a few tables are left

Ray's Walk Monday 22nd August

A bright and breezy evening followed the heavy rain that fell during the day as around 30 Kenn and Kingston villagers aged between 6 and 79 met at Wharf Farm,

Kingston Seymour the home of Thelma Blake and her herd of prize-winning Shorthorn Cattle.

Thelma, with her late husband Bert, who first moved to Wharf Farm in 1926, previously owned the 'highest milk - producing cow in the world'. This white shorthorn gave 201,000 gallons of milk during her lifetime.

Bob Ford of Kingston told us about the Sea Defences, which protect not only Kingston, but all the low-lying villages as far as Congresbury, from flooding.

It is believed that man-made sea defences at Kingston have been in place since Roman times.

The last time that Kingston was flooded was 1981 and since then a further bank has been built.

160 years ago Wharf Farm was owned by Bishop Gregory and the house, garden and 170 acres were rented out to one George Saunders.

Land which was farmed in those days is now mud flats and it was wondered whether 'England is Getting Smaller'.

Leaving the farm, we headed towards the sea, where the tide was coming in and the wind was stronger. The sky was beautiful with views from Woodspring Priory to St. Andrews (Old Church), Clevedon, from Crooks Peak on the Mendips to the lighthouse on Flat Holm and the Welsh Mountains.

Ray noted St. Thomas' Head, the home of a testing station for explosives. Had the tide

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been lower we could have seen wrecks used for target practice.

We walked to the bank of the Congresbury Yeo, then left the sea and moved inland following the course of the river until we reached the lakes where we turned to return to Wharf Farm.

Thelma was warmly thanked for her hospitality. Margaret Ball

Kingston Seymour
2.30pm Holy Baptism Yatton
6pm Harvest Evensong
Kingston Seymour

PARISH OF YATTON MOOR

1st Sunday - 4th September

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8am Holy Communion Kenn
8am Holy Communion Claverham
9.30am Patronal Festival Yatton
9.30am Holy Communion Cleeve
11am Family Service Kingston Seymour
6pm Evensong Yatton

2nd Sunday – 11th September

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY KENN HARVEST FESTIVAL

8am Holy Communion Yatton
9.30am Parish Communion with Holy Baptism
Yatton
9.30am Holy Communion Claverham
11am Harvest Family Service Cleeve
11am Harvest Family Service Kenn
6 pm Harvest Evensong Kenn
6.30 pm Holy Communion Cleeve

3rd Sunday – 18th September

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY KINGSTON SEYMOUR HARVEST FESTIVAL

8am Holy Communion Claverham
9.30am Parish Communion Yatton
9.30am Holy Communion Cleeve
11am Harvest Festival Service

SERVICES - SEPTEMBER 2005

4th Sunday – 25th September

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY YATTON & CLAVERHAM HARVESTS

8am Holy Communion Yatton
8am Holy Communion Kingston Seymour
9.30am Harvest Festival Communion Yatton
9.30am Holy Communion & Holy Baptism
Cleeve
11 am Harvest Family Service Claverham
11am Holy Communion Kenn
6 pm Harvest Evensong Yatton

HOLY DAYS IN SEPTEMBER

14th Holy Cross Day
10.00 Holy Communion Yatton

21st Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
10.00 Holy Communion Yatton

29th MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS
19.30 Holy Communion Yatton
Followed by a Cheese & Wine Evening when
Rev. Ken Boullier of Nailsea will talk about
his recent visit to the new Priests House in
Kabwe

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Daily 8.30am Morning Prayer at Yatton
(except Holy Days)

Every Wednesday:
10am: Holy Communion Yatton

1st Wednesday in month: 7th September

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11am: Holy Communion at
Kingston Seymour

3rd Wednesday in month: 21st September
11am: Holy Communion at Kenn

4th Wednesday in month: 28th September
11am: Holy Communion at Claverham

Every Thursday:
9.30am: Holy Communion at Cleeve