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From The Rectory

As we turn to Remembrance Sunday this month, we remember again all those who have paid the ultimate price for their country down the years for our peace and for our freedom. This year we look back on the two world wars and other conflicts at a time when there is once again war in Europe. Peace, even costly and hard won peace, is a fragile thing.

While the war in Ukraine is happening thousands of miles away, its effects are felt right here. Positively, we have had the privilege to welcome refugees from Ukraine to find a home among us while they wait to return to their homes. But we also feel the effect of the war in the rising energy costs and the wider cost of living crisis which is enveloping our nation and world.

In our churches this autumn we have been looking at the story of Nehemiah who led the rebuilding of the city walls of Jerusalem in 445 B.C.. The people of Judea had been conquered by a foreign power, the Babylonian Empire, and taken far away into exile. Now the Persians are in power and the people have the opportunity to return home and to rebuild their ruined city. But it was not all plain sailing. The people under Nehemiah faced similar trials to us today. There was the threat of war from the surrounding nations – enemies in every direction forming an alliance to strike against them. There was a serious cost of living crisis and food was short. There was also fear and divisions growing among the people. It took all of Nehemiah's leadership skills to oversee the rebuilding of the walls while simultaneously organizing the people into a defensive force should war come and at the same time challenging injustice and bringing in social and spiritual reforms.

Nehemiah was surely a great leader. However, the most striking thing reading Nehemiah's account is how he is a person of prayer. Several times he breaks off from his story to pray as he writes. He records two of his own prayers and mentions other prayers too. Indeed, before he begins to initiate this wall building project he spends several months in prayer, over twice as long as it will take for the people to do the work on the walls. Nehemiah, when faced with trials and troubles prays first before acting. That might well be why Nehemiah was able to respond well to all the challenges his people faced, by first bringing these issues to God who he knew as "the great and awesome God, who keeps his covenant of love".

As we face the trails which come our way, whatever they are – personal, national and global, we will obviously need to act, and act wisely, just as Nehemiah did. But Nehemiah would also counsel us to first pray and bring our cares and concern, our trials and troubles before "the great and awesome God, who keeps his covenant of love". The God of the Bible is indeed a God of love, who didn't stay far off, but came himself to join us in the trials of life when he was born as a human being, the baby Jesus. He invites us to bring our cares and worries to him. So, whoever you are – churchgoer or not – why don't you try to pray first today? If you've never prayed before or are unsure of how to do so – why not visit the "try praying" website (trypraying.org) where you can find out more.

David Spence

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Some Personal Reflections on the Funeral of Queen Elizabeth

For myself, I think the high point of the day has to be the sudden fortissimo shock as, after so much quietness, the coffin entered the Abbey to be greeted with William Croft's exultant 'I am the Resurrection and the Life', the first of the Sentences with which the Anglican funeral rite begins. The Queen's deep Christian faith was a central theme of the day's eulogies, and this moment gave sharp focus to the meaning of the entire day's proceedings.

But there were many extraordinary things happening that day, and in the days leading up to it, and what struck me most strongly was that many, many ordinary people were looking to appease a huge hunger. Most obviously, there was the palpable hunger for meaningful ritual, which is so lacking from so many people's lives. In particular, there was a hunger for mourning – expressed not only by people who had been unable properly to mourn loved ones who died during Covid lockdown, but by many more whose grief for earlier bereavements had been awakened. So many people nowadays are misled by the fashionable view that ritualized mourning is somehow unnecessary, and that our dead should be remembered only in celebration. During those days of queuing to view the lying in state, as well as on the day of the funeral, many admitted that their tears were as much for their own dead as for the Queen.

And during those days of the long queue, another hunger was met. When people said they had found new families, what they were rediscovering was the joy of communion, of face to face encounters rather than virtual relationships filtered through commercially driven algorithms. In a time when so much of our thinking is affected by the poison of 'culture wars', they found they were able to forge relationships with people whose views they knew nothing about, simply because they were human beings on a shared journey.

Yet another hunger was expressed in the constant references to the late Queen's sense of duty, and her commitment to a life of service – both qualities which have come to be regarded as somehow quaintly old-fashioned, but which are fundamental qualities of a Christian life, and should be fundamental in any social contract. The stark contrast was often mentioned between the Queen's understanding of leadership and that of so many of today's leaders. Let us fervently hope that her example may have given rise to reflection, not only among politicians, but among financiers, CEOs, press barons, social media/big tech magnates – everyone, in fact, who exercises power over our lives.

by Martin Olsson, Bondleigh

Tailpiece

We are told our late Queen enjoyed acting with her sister in pantomimes staged at Windsor Castle when they were teenagers living there during the Second World War. On becoming monarch, such forms of play time were curtailed (at least when she was in the public eye) by the formality of state business and public engagements. We are told also that in private life she had a lively sense of humour and was a talented mimic, but public duties did not offer much opportunity to demonstrate either. Yet it remained with her into later life. Who will forget her arrival "by parachute" to open the London Olympic games? The stunt was a carefully hidden secret from the members of her own family as well as everyone else in the stadium. Her two grandsons were heard shouting "Go, granny, go!" as the parachute descended. What a splendid idea to introduce a moment of unexpected laughter into a spectacle being broadcast worldwide.

More recently, but in a similar moment which clearly resonated with the very youngest of her subjects, her acting ability was seen as she entertained Paddington Bear to tea at Buckingham Palace, cheerfully disregarding the standard theatrical advice never to appear with children or animals. How reassuring to know that in that ever present handbag there has always been a marmalade sandwich in case of need.

Thank God in our troubled world for a leader with a sense of harmless fun and a fine sense of the moments to show it.

Richard Edwards

Master sculptor, Andrew Sinclair MRSS SWAc has been keeping a secret about a sculpture of the Queen he created some time ago, which will soon be displayed in The Royal Box at Ascot Racecourse.

In 2008 Andrew Sinclair MRSS SWAc was asked by Ascot Racecourse to create a bas-relief sculpture of H.M. Queen Elizabeth II, along with those of all the monarchs who have reigned since the racecourse was founded. Following her death, the bas relief will now take its place in the Royal Box.

Andrew was commissioned to create a series of bas-relief plaque portraits for the Royal Box at Ascot Racecourse. The course has always had a close association with the royal family, being only six miles from Windsor Castle, and the commission was to create portraits of all the monarchs who have reigned since the racecourse was founded in 1711 by Queen Anne.

Andrew researched each monarch extensively and worked closely with both historians and the Royal Mint to ensure detailed likenesses. He worked directly from the original historic drawings of the coins from each monarch's reign. The bas-relief plaques are now positioned along the concourse of the Royal Box at the racecourse. Andrew was also commissioned to create the coat of arms that adorns both the inside, and famously, the outside of the Royal Box. Andrew explains,

"It was an honour and a privilege to work on a project as esteemed as this. I love history, so having the opportunity to work closely with Royal Mint to replicate the original coins was brilliant."

The Queen personally chose her favourite profile image from the original Royal Mint drawings. Royal protocol dictated that her bas-relief image was not allowed to be revealed to the public until her reign ended. It will be an honour to see the late HM Queen Elizabeth II's portrait in its rightful place in due course.

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Please come along to our council meetings. If you would like to address the council on a matter, please contact the Clerk at least 7 days before the meeting to request a slot in the Public Forum, otherwise, we have a brief period during each meeting when members of the public can address the Council on matters from the agenda. The Council make decisions on matters that affect the parish of North Tawton. The best way to be kept informed on what is happening in your town, and have a say, is to attend our meetings.

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North Tawton Afternoon W.I.

Ramblings of a North Tawton W.I. Member

Were you a Thunderbirds fan? I was. I loved it. My brother and I would watch it avidly, with me hanging on Virgil's every word. In fact, I had a bit of a crush on Virgil. Bit strange when you think that he was actually a puppet. We would tune in regularly to follow the International Rescue team saving people from all kinds of situations. Virgil piloted Thunderbird 2 which was a heavy transport aircraft carrier with a detachable pod – Virgil always got the really difficult missions – I used to worry about Virgil. My brother collected the Corgi/Dinky models including Lady Penelope's pink car, FAB 1, which had a missile launcher behind the radiator grill. If you opened the grill and pushed the car down you could fire the rocket – at your brother. The theme tune from Thunderbirds was brilliant. Instantly recognisable. I could hum it if you want me to.

'Saving lives in wild and remote places' – could almost be a tag line from Thunderbirds, but not today – this was for real. Harry Price was here to tell us about the North Dartmoor Search and Rescue Team – and there was nothing fictional about Harry's talk. Harry explained that the Dartmoor Rescue Group consists of four teams - Tavistock, Ashburton, Okehampton [also known as North Dartmoor] - and Plymouth, which cover the 365 square miles of Dartmoor and beyond. The teams often work together to provide a search and rescue service for Dartmoor, the rest of Devon and Cornwall and could also be called upon to help with operations on Exmoor. Their members are all volunteers who undergo professional training in searching, navigation, search dog handling, swift water rescues and casualty care, where they learn to manage sophisticated medical equipment requiring skills that are on a similar specification to paramedic level. Trainees will spend 18-24 months learning the basic skill set and may also be taught off road driving and radio skills. Harry went on to explain the importance of the Supporters Group. Fundraising is just part of their remit – applying for grants and awards, talking to the public at events and country shows and being a 'pretend' casualty for training exercises are all vital ways of supporting the team. Slides of the 'Dog Section' drew loud 'aahhs'. Jack and Angus are both qualified search dogs, Tio and Pipit are trainees – and it was very clear from the photos that they love what they do. Fancy being a 'Dogs Body'? Then why not volunteer to 'hide' on Dartmoor and wait to be found by a search dog. Harry had us all laughing with the wonderful story of a team member [now retired] who accidentally rolled their Land Rover and the message over the radio was 'I've turned the Land Rover over'. Brilliant. Harry's passion and dedication to the team was simply inspirational.

I've been stopped in the street. Not for directions. Not even if I want help to cross the road. Oh no. People have asked me 'how much rain did we have last night?' and 'what was the temperature at 3 a.m.?' – Husband's new toy is becoming an obsession. If I look over the top of my computer I can see the weather base station staring back at me. The best part? The 'multisensor' bit on a pole in the garden came in very useful to support our sunflowers. Bet that doesn't happen at the Met Office.

Sue Knott

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Friday December 9th 2022

7.30 p.m.

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A reminder to all our contributors.

Our next edition is a double one for December and January so please think ahead to events happening in the New Year and let us have the details by November 13th.

OKEHAMPTON AND DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY OUR NEXT MEETING

WEDNESDAY 9th NOVEMBER AT 7.30 p.m.

Ockment Centre, North Street, OKEHAMPTON

JOHN DAVIDSON

“HMS TERROR, FROM TOPSHAM TO THE ARCTIC ICE”

John Davidson taught Geography at Exeter School.

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**Den Brook
Community
Fund**

The Den Brook Community Fund invites local Charities, Community Groups and Not-for-Profit organisations to apply for grants to assist with the implementation of Capital Projects.

The deadline for receipt of applications for this “round” of funding is 31st January 2023 and as a guide for applicant organisations, it is envisaged that approximately £29,000 will be available for allocation by the late winter period and the amounts available to each parish are likely to be –

Bow - £45.00

North Tawton - £9,650.00

South Tawton - £4,400.00

Spreyton -£10,825.00

Zeal Monachorum - £4,365.00

The amount available this time is lower than before – the balances in the fund reflecting significant investments of over £50,000 in local community projects over the last twelve months as well as a further £12,200.00 the fund has agreed to provide for “pump-priming” two other significant projects where “match-funding” initiatives are already underway.

An “Easy Guide”, Full Terms and Conditions and the Application Form are available by e-mail from denbrookcommunityfund@gmail.com or from North Tawton Town Council Office, 14a The Square North Tawton EX20 2EP

(The Den Brook Community Fund is administered by representatives of Bow, North Tawton, South Tawton, Spreyton, & Zeal Monachorum Town and Parish Councils.)

News from the Moor

Hi everyone

I hope that you are all well and able to make the most of the autumnal sunshine between the rainy days. It is always lovely to see the signs of autumn building with red and gold on the trees and dust off the gloves and woolly hats. There have also been some glorious fungi appearing and it won't be long until we are looking for salmon leaping in the river. There are also some popular events coming up over the next month which provide much fun for those involved.

Firstly, we have the Drogo 10 taking place on Sunday 13th November. This is when 500 brave souls tackle the challenging 10 mile run through the Teign Valley from Castle Drogo. The race starts at 10.30 a.m. after a minute's silence is held to commemorate Remembrance Sunday. I will be at one of the water stations doing my best to cheer everyone on.

The following Saturday 19th November, we will be marking St. Clements Day at Finch Foundry. From 10 a.m. until 4 p.m., Finch will be ringing with the sound of local blacksmiths marking the day of their patron saint with displays, demonstrations and competitions. Cogs and Wheels Morris will also be performing. Everyone is welcome to join us so please pop it in your diary – it is a wonderful event.

Finally, next year will be 50 years since the National Trust acquired Castle Drogo from the Drewe Family. We are starting to think about how we can mark this important milestone and I would love to hear any ideas or suggestions from you on how best to do this. Do we have Flares Friday? Share photos of visiting throughout the past 50 years? All ideas welcome, although I can't promise to make all of them happen – please do drop me a line.

Best wishes all,

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Sampford Courtenay Parish Council have been working with West Devon Borough Council to try and help ensure that parishioners get the best possible advice in procuring fast and reliable broadband.

Connecting Devon & Somerset, a local government partnership, are again offering vouchers to cover the cost of improving your mobile phone signal indoors so that you can use a mobile phone signal as a source of home broadband if you need to. You may have received a flier through your letterbox.

If you do not appear to be in line for fibre roll-out either by Airband or Openreach and you have been told by Airband that you cannot receive microwave broadband because your premises cannot "see" their aerial, then you might consider using a mobile phone signal to receive broadband. Several parishioners already do this and report a perfectly acceptable service.

Connecting Devon & Somerset will pay for the installation which consists of an aerial on top of your house and a router inside to give wifi broadband.

You will be required to take out a new SIM data only package which can be obtained from £20 per month. This will be the SIM card that sits inside the router and will need to be paid for on a monthly contract to give you broadband by wifi inside your house. This should be the only cost associated with this broadband solution. The engineer who installs your system will have spare SIM cards on the "3" network available at a good contract price of £20 per month. If your area is not covered by the "3" network, then you will be advised about whether Vodaphone or EE will work for you. The engineer will be able to explain all the possible options when the survey and installation is done.

This solution may work for some who otherwise cannot receive fast reliable broadband. Go to www.devoncomms.co.uk/voucher where you can start the process. You can call them on 01803 501711

This is a genuine government sponsored offer which may be a suitable option for those of you who are outside the fibre area and cannot get Airband microwave access. YOU MUST APPLY SOON, they say vouchers are available until November but no final date has been set. If you have any questions you are likely to find Connecting Devon and Somerset will have the answers but if you wish to speak to someone locally please get in touch with Cllr. Martin Morrissey on 01837 82429. If you have any information about broadband locally please also call and let us know at the Parish Council so we can keep everyone informed.

Sampford Courtenay Environment and Sustainability (SCEnSus)



Seasonal Suggestion – November

Several of us are officially 'compost-obsessed' and this is the right time of year to get things sorted. Making compost at home is an eco-friendly way of using kitchen and plant waste to create what many gardeners refer to as 'black gold'. It can aid your soil by helping drainage on clay soils as well as helping sandy soils retain more moisture. It contains nutrients for plant growth and encourages worm activity – all of which is good for your garden. Added to this, the wider environmental benefits of reducing landfill and the cost of transporting 'waste' away from your property are significant. We've included items here before about composting cardboard. Fallen leaves can also be added to 'green waste' (kitchen vegetable scraps, mown grass and garden prunings etc.) to produce (in time and after the contents have reached 70C) a crumbly brown material that you can dig into your soil or put on the top to keep weeds down and moisture in during the hot Summers we've been having. *Note:*

Best to avoid meat scraps or animal fats as that will almost certainly attract rats!

At this time of year you can work out the rotation of cropping in your vegetable patch to see where the compost will be most effective – use the internet to find out which areas of your garden need most compost added and the best sequence for planting crops year by year.

If you don't have space for a compost bin then why not research having a 'wormery'? All kinds of organic waste can be turned into a useful liquid feed for plants as well as what the worms have digested. Both can be used to enrich your soil. You can use a wormery purely for dog waste but, clearly, you wouldn't want to use the results of the process on your vegetable patch – fine, though, on herbaceous borders. Interestingly, the worms in a wormery are not earthworms, they are thin red worms that process decaying organic matter. They usually just appear but you can buy them on-line if you can't wait for them to find their way to your bin!

A real bonus to making your own compost is not using peat-based composts which are being phased out and not using the peat-free compost alternatives. Several keen gardeners in the Sampford Courtenay Parish have been asked how they're getting on with the peat-free type and there is a very mixed response. Many praised the results they got with the sheep's wool and bracken compost that we bought in bulk for Parishioners a couple of years ago. Nationally, professional gardeners are saying the same thing – it all depends what your peat-free compost is made from. Some types work well, some dry out too quickly and some just don't get things growing. The results from our annual 'Potato in a bucket' competition would suggest that home produced compost wins hands down every time – just ask Barbara!

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SUNDAY 13th November 2022

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The Parade will leave from The Square into St Peter's Church for a memorial service led by Revd David Spence.

The commemorations conclude with the laying of wreaths in the town cemetery.

Please gather in The Square at 10:15am to collect wreaths and posies.

The Parade will leave for church at 10:35am

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12th November – 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and
3rd December – 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

At the Community Centre, Barton Street, North Tawton, EX20 2HN.

For more information go to
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There will be no repair café in January, but we will be back in February as normal.

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Exbourne, Sampford Courtenay & Jacobstowe W.I.

The latest meeting as held on Tuesday, October 11th in Exbourne Village Hall. The President welcomed everyone and Jerusalem was sung. The speaker was Rupert Kirkwood who gave a very fascinating and informative show on 'Photographing Wildlife from a Kayak'. Being at sea level many sea creatures were filmed close up. He was thanked by Gillian Townsend Green. After tea the business was dealt with. Gillian Townsend Green has agreed to act as Vice President. Members could sign up for a Birdwatching Trip on the River Exe, an Elizabeths of York Exhibition in Great Torrington Church on November 9th, and a Walk at Meeth on October 28th. Arrangements were made for the Soup and Puds Lunch to be held in the village hall on Saturday October 15th. Anne Leaman gave a report of a walk around Tavistock, which members had attended. The winner of the Flower of the Month was Ethel Nancekivell and the winner of the competition for an item from the seashore was Vera Collins. The next meeting will be held in the village hall on Tuesday November when Sue Leach will be demonstrating 'Making Christmas Decorations'.

Margaret Weeks



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North Tawton Warm Spaces and community companionship free for all this Winter

Please take advantage of the free community facilities being offered to North Tawton residents:

Merry-go-round Community Room – Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m..

Tuesday Chat 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon in the Mortimer Room at St. Peter's Church – next dates 8th and 22nd November and 6th and 20th December.

Little Fishes Baby and Toddler Group in the Mortimer Room at St. Peter's Church on Thursdays (term-time only) from 9:15 to 11:00 a.m..

North Tawton W.I. monthly meeting at 2 p.m. in North Tawton Rugby club – next dates 2nd November and 7th December.

North Tawton Repair Café – 10 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. in the North Tawton Community Centre, 12th November and 3rd December.

Slow cooker cooking lessons

Sarah Quick is a qualified cooking teacher and if there is a demand, she is willing to provide free slow cooker lessons, a very economical method of cooking, on Fridays during the Winter, at the Rugby club. If you are interested in lessons and/or have a slow cooker you would be willing to donate for use by a resident of North Tawton, please contact Sarah on 01837 82704.

Jens Café

Discussions are taking place with Jen to provide warm hearty meals for residents this Winter at a discount – confirmation and details will be advertised asap, Jen's café 01837 880366

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<https://www.devon.gov.uk/cost-of-living/>

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<https://westdevon.gov.uk/support-directory>

phone – West Devon BC 01822 813600 or email - support.vulnerability@swdevon.gov.uk

Please contact WDBC if you are struggling to afford your Council Tax as help may be available to lower/defer your payments or if you need additional support due to fuel poverty.

<https://services.pinpointdevon.co.uk/kb5/devon/services/service.page?id=3Lwwc4geIfM>

<https://tamarenergycommunity.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/TEC-Energy-Advice-Flyer-July-2020-final.pdf>

Further information or concern for welfare

Please look out for your neighbours this Winter. Any concerns can be discreetly reported to the Town Clerk, Melanie Bickell, 01837 880121. Further information on additional help that is available this winter can be obtained from the Town Clerk, The Town Council website or West Devon BC Website.

Warm Blankets and hot water bottles

Warm blankets and hot water bottles will be made available, free of charge, to residents of North Tawton and can be collected from North Tawton Pharmacy.

Christmas in Bondleigh Dates For Your Diary

Christmas Coffee Morning - Saturday, 17th December
at 10.30 a.m..

Christmas Carol Service - Sunday, 18th December
at 4.30 p.m..

Christmas Eve Late Night Communion Service
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Full details in the December issue.

Caroline (82240)
St. James' PCC

Saturday 12th November

The British Legion

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1. **SCPC** –on Tues 5th Oct held their normal monthly meeting with 6 councillors, 1 WDBC Councillor & 4 members of the public.
2. **Chair** welcomed everyone to the meeting and expressed condolences to Ralph Goundry and family on the sad loss of Charlie – one of the loved parish personalities.
3. **SCPC** wished to formally record their condolences on death of Queen Elizabeth II, and thank those parishioners who joined councillors in the square on Sunday 18th Sept to mark the one minute silence along with the Nation.
4. **WDBC Report** - Cllr. B Ratcliffe gave the following report -

- a) WDBC is eagerly awaiting the government decision regarding the Levelling Up fund due at the end of October, but it has received £830,000 from the Rural Fund.
- b) WDBC (and SCPC), are aware that there may be parishioners who will need help in the coming months due to the current global Financial Crisis and Fuel poverty. WDBC already has helpful information on the following websites: West Devon Support Directory – <https://westdevon.gov.uk/support-directory>
Assistance from the Council - <https://www.westdevon.gov.uk/article/8538/Assistance-from-the-Council>
Home Treatment Team - <https://www.dpt.nhs.uk/locations/home-treatment-team-south-hams-west-devon>
- c) WDBC is currently working on an Action Plan which will be published at beginning of November, and it has appointed Rachael Underwood as the Deprivation Officer.
- d) Cllr. Ratcliffe also suggested SCPC ask Dave Sexton, to come and give a talk regarding best ways to insulate your home to keep warm and explain the grants available for this purpose. Reducing fuel bills information <https://www.westdevon.gov.uk/Reduce-Fuel-Bills>
- e) Cllr. Wilson – asked parishioners to note the first paragraph of her Chair's letter, (just distributed), regarding how to stay up-to-date with information on how to get help, by signing up to the Parish webmail; or contact the Clerk if you wish to be added to a confidential register of parishioners who may need help and support in the coming months; and finally, to ask all parishioners to engender the fantastic Community Spirit shown during COVID, and keep an eye on all your neighbours, especially those without access to email up-dates.

5. **Emergency Numbers & Contact Details** – are now available in a handy Parish Directory which can be downloaded from the Website <https://www.sampfordcourtenay-pc.gov.uk/information-leaflets-links>

6. **Parish Leaflet** – update Cllr. Morrissey – it was agreed to ask for volunteers from the parish to join a working group to discuss the format and content of future Parish Leaflets.

7. **Broadband/Mobile**– Community use of Internet

Cllr. Morrissey is still negotiating with Okehampton Library regarding possibility of running training that would support the running of an Internet Club/Café in the Village Hall.

Cllr. Carpenter has spoken to Airband who thinks their fibre roll out in the parish will not be until the end of January 2023.

Rural Services Network confirmed that Airband have agreed to offer free broadband for life to any Village Hall on their current network

8. **External Audit completion** – notice can be viewed on Parish Noticeboards and on the website here <https://www.sampfordcourtenay-pc.gov.uk/transparency-code-other-official-documents>

GET SCPC & PARISH NEWS DIRECT TO YOUR INBOX - the best way to keep up to date is to sign up for emails via Julie and the Website

Please contact SCPC Clerk – Marion Pratt at SCPCclerk@aol.com or on 01837 82285 if you would like to raise any issues. Even better, come along to a meeting.

Next meeting Wednesday 2nd November at 7.30 p.m.

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Sampford Courtenay Parish Website:

<http://www.sampfordcourtenay-pc.gov.uk/>

The website is managed by **Julie Carpenter** who can be
contacted on
juliec2911@hotmail.co.uk
or
admin@sampfordcourtenay-pc.gov.uk
or by phone:

SAMPFORD COURTENAY VILLAGE HALL FORTHCOMING EVENTS

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YOGA CLASSES	Tuesday 6 to 7.30 p.m.
TAP DANCING	Thursday 11 a.m. to 12 noon
TABLE TENNIS	Weekly - ring 01837 851659 for details
FLOWER CLUB	2 nd Monday of every month 2.30 p.m.
CRAFT & CHAT	2 nd & 4 th Thursday of every month 3.15 to 4.45 p.m.

OTHER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:-

Come and Chat	Saturday 19 th November 10.30 to 11.30 a.m.
Diving for Pearls	Saturday 19 th November 7.30 p.m.
Quiz and Puddings	Saturday 25 th November 7 p.m.
Exbourne Choir Festive Concert	Saturday 10 th December 7 p.m. for 7.30 start

Please see separate adverts or visit the parish website/
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10.30 a.m.
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14th November
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St Andrew's Church Service of Remembrance



Sunday 13th November
9.30am

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Tim and Alexandra Gower of Lower Town Farm are pleased to announce that the population of Bondleigh has increased by one with the birth of Rupert Francis Gower on the 9th October.

Bondleigh Rainfall

September is the wettest month of the year so far. I have measured a total of 127.9 mm.. 78 mm. fell in the first 10 days. The remainder of the month was mostly dry until the last few days. Despite this amount of rain the ground is still dry and the beginning of October has continued this year's trend.

While glancing at the W.I. page in Roundabout I was pleased to notice that Richard (husband) is now the proud owner of a weather station. We shall be able to compare figures and I am sure Sue and Richard will get hours of pleasure from their new acquisition!

Danny Semorad



News From North Tawton Community Primary School



It seems a long time ago now, but back in June we had an Ofsted Inspection!

Ofsted is the Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills. Their role is to inspect services providing education and skills for learners of all ages and regulate services that care for children and young people.

A school can expect to have an inspection every four years, however our school had not had an inspection since 2014, so we were well and truly due a visit.

We received 'the call' on Wednesday 22nd June from the Ofsted office where I was informed that we would have a two-day inspection led by Her Majesty's Inspector, Sue Costello. This call was closely followed by a detailed phone conversation with our inspector where she asked me lots of questions about our school context, systems, progress, and priorities. She and I agreed the evidence she would gather based upon our conversation.

Ofsted Inspectors evaluate schools against the following key judgements:

- quality of education
- behaviour and attitudes
- personal development
- leadership and management

As you would expect, all inspectors look in detail at safeguarding procedures, legal policies, parents' views and pupil and staff wellbeing. In our conversation regarding curriculum, we agreed she would conduct a 'deep dive' into Early Reading, including our Read Write Inc phonics programme, Maths and History.

As you can imagine the whole staff team were anxious to do well. As with any test or assessment, you can be well prepared, but there are often butterflies on the day!

Over the two days, our inspector met with pupils, staff, curriculum leaders, our SENDCO, Trust leaders, Trustees and Governors. She observed lessons and playtimes, scrutinised pupil's work, analysed Parent View and our policies.

On the afternoon of the second day, she fed back her verbal report to me and the Trust leaders. I was really pleased with her findings as they matched our own, but I then had to wait until the report was published to share this with anyone.

It was an exhausting, but robust and fair process. Because of the summer holiday, it was not until September that the report was published and I was able to share with staff, pupils and parents.

Schools are graded as either outstanding, good, requires improvement, or inadequate. I am delighted to say that we remain a 'good' school.

I have read many Ofsted reports and can honestly say ours is a very good good!

The first line fills me with joy. 'Pupils love their school and are proud of it.'

As a staff team, we are delighted that the inspector's findings matched our own assessment of the school. We have a wonderful school of pupils who are 'keen and enthusiastic learners' and are 'well mannered and polite.' The staff team have worked hard to ensure safeguarding and provision for SEND are of a high standard and that all children are being well cared for. I am particularly pleased that the Inspector saw the work we have done across the school to promote diversity and that children are well prepared for life in modern Britain.

Ofsted inspectors are required to report findings so they can be used to improve the overall quality of education and training. We were aware that the new curriculum in KS1 needed more rigour and higher expectations, and we were able to talk about our plans to address this. I can assure you we are working hard to make sure all of our subjects, especially history and geography are appropriately challenging for all pupils.

Please do look at our website, or log on to the Ofsted website to see our report.

I am so proud of this school. It's not just a 'good' school, but a great one!

Tara Penny – Principal

Okehampton Library will be offering so much more than books this winter. It's a warm, welcoming space with free WiFi and computer access, people to chat to, groups and activities. Enjoy a natter with other customers over a FREE tea, coffee or hot chocolate, kindly supplied by Waitrose Okehampton.

We know it's going to be a tough winter with the cost-of-living crisis and heating bills rising. So, libraries are launching a 'Libraries for Life' campaign to remind everyone that we're not just about books!

As well as being great warm spaces to sit and read, there are groups ranging from Bounce & Rhyme for babies and toddlers to Cuppa & A Chat every Tuesday for adults to enjoy a natter.

If you need help navigating your way round a computer, there's free IT help sessions on offer. Our Reading Well titles are a range of books covering physical and mental health, and include titles aimed at children and teens. And don't forget if you're housebound or struggling to get to the library, our Home Delivery Service can deliver not just books but a friendly chat too!

Keep an eye out for more events and activities at Okehampton Library throughout the winter.

Visit our Website: www.devonlibraries.org.uk/web/arena/okehamptonlibrary

Follow us on Facebook.

EVENTS

Digital Devon

Book onto one of our free digital skills sessions in November at Okehampton Library to learn some basic digital skills or improve and refresh existing skills. Bring in your own device or use our public access computers. Contact Okehampton Library to have a chat about how we can help, and to book a digital session. Booking essential.

BIPC Devon launch at Okehampton Library – Wednesday 23rd November 11:00-13:00

BIPC Devon are opening a new spoke at Okehampton Library. BIPC Devon are a county wide based business support organisation, and the new spokes at Okehampton and Seaton, will give us a stronger presence in those areas to help the businesses of West and East Devon, respectively. We will be running a drop-in session on the day of the launch, where businesses can get business support from one of our business experts. We hope you can join us for the launch and talk with representatives of British Library and Libraries Unlimited during the day.

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Christmas Chortle Trail – 1st – 23rd December

Find the Christmas jokes hidden around the library and match them up with the correct punch line whilst having a giggle! For all ages. Small chocolate treat for those that match all of them correctly.

Festive Hamper Raffle - Tickets £1 each

Purchase a draw ticket, for the chance to win the contents of the Friends of Okehampton Library festive hamper! Winner to be drawn Saturday 17th December.

Festive Quiz Sheet - £1 each

The Friends of Okehampton Library festive quiz sheet returns again, pick up your copy from the library from 1st December, only £1 per sheet with the chance to win a prize.

Under 5's Stay and Play session – Monday 5th December 10:00-10:45

For under 5's and their parents/carers, no booking necessary. Free session, donations welcome.

Community Christmas Coffee Morning – Saturday 10th December 10:00-12:00

Have a chat with staff and Friends of Okehampton Library whilst you enjoy free mince pies and hot drinks in the warm, welcoming space of the library. Free, donations welcome.

Snow Globe craft activity – Tuesday 20th December 14:00-15:00

Create a winter snow globe to take home. Suitable for ages 7+, £1 per child. Booking essential.

Music Night at the Ockment Centre – date to be confirmed (December)

The Friends of Okehampton Library music night returns!

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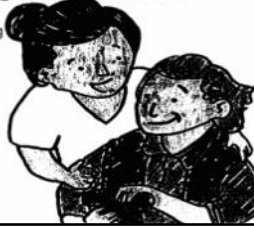
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A New Creative Collective 'RED MUD ARTS' Launches!

September saw the official launch of Red Mud Arts, a new collective of creatives in and around North Tawton wanting to get together to socialise, cocreate and be inspired. A 'garden gathering' launch event was hosted by two of the group's co-founders Rob Harris and Susi Kirkwood at The Old Rectory in North Tawton on Saturday 3rd September. Just shy of 50 people attended who enjoyed a bring and share picnic, musical performances and poetry readings. There were also 'boards' where people could share ideas of creative events and projects they'd like to see get off the ground.

Following on from the fantastic success of the first event, Red Mud Arts are planning an Autumn meetup. Anyone wishing to attend is encouraged to get in touch with the organisers to find out more.

Introducing Red Mud Arts

Red Mud Arts team of Co-Founders* includes: Artists, Creatives, Media and Marketing experts and Educational specialists who came together with a shared vision to build upon the strong creative roots that exist in the local community.

One the group's Co-Founder's Ruth Helen Smith (Painter and Gallery Owner) who's known to many in North Tawton explains...

"Red Mud Arts is so named after our velvet red soil and the idea that for the arts to thrive and enrich people's lives, creative activities need good ground in which to take root. We want to support, encourage and build upon the amazing and diverse creative individuals and projects that are already making such inspiring waves in our communities."

Red Mud Arts aims to provide support to local artists and creatives, bring them together through regular networking events and proactively build an arts hub through which events and opportunities can be shared. The group already has a growing social media presence and has plans to create a new website that will enable people to stay connected with what's happening.

Ambitious plans include pursuing an exciting opportunity to create a dedicated arts and performance space in North Tawton that could deliver a diverse arts and cultural programme in the future.

In particular RMA are keen to involve younger North Tawtonians in the arts, giving them a constructive and exciting means of expression and new ways of engaging with their experiences of growing up.

Autumn Creatives' Meetup

Watch this space for more exciting news and events from Red Mud Arts and for anyone interested in attending the next **Artists' Gathering on 26th November**, please get in touch...

Follow: @redmudarts (Facebook | Instagram) | **Email:** redmudarts@gmail.com

Call: 07810 590 954 or 07966 052 932

**Red Mud Arts Co-Founders are: Ruth Helen Smith, Cathy Page, Arran Hawkins, Rob Harris, Susi Kirkwood, Nigel Davies, Sue Gray, Susan Hislop.*

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Saturday 3rd December

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 Friday 11th Nov. 10.50a.m. Armistice Day Service Village Square.
 Sunday 13th Nov. 9.30am Service of Remembrance.
 Sunday 20th Nov. 6.00p.m. Evensong
 Sunday 27th Nov. 11a.m. Parish Communion

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North Tawton

6th November 11 a.m. Morning Worship
 13th November 10.50 a.m. Remembrance Service
 20th November 11 a.m. Family Service
 27th November No Service

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November Marilyn Weeks
December Mary Pyle

Bondleigh

Nov 6th / 13th Caroline Stokes
Nov 20th / 27th Helen Ruby
December Advent Brass only
Dec 4th / 11th Nicola Raffan
Dec 18th / 25th Christmas Trees

North Tawton

Flowers

Nov 6th Jo Fear
Nov 13th / 20th Royal British Legion
Nov 27th No service

Brass

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