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*You crown the year with your bounty,
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The grasslands of the wilderness overflow;
the hills are clothed with gladness.
The meadows are covered with flocks
and the valleys are mantled with grain;
they shout for joy and sing.*

(Psalm 65:11-13)

Happy Harvest! In our churches we are in the middle of celebrating our Harvest Festivals in September and October. Unlike Remembrance or Christmas there is not a day set aside to celebrate the harvest, but it is a season – each school, church or village celebrating at different times. This is maybe apt as the harvest does not happen on one day but is the result of hard work over months. With different crops gathered at different times.

Whether we ourselves are out in the fields or not, harvest is a time for gladness and thankfulness.

Whether we believe in a god or not, it is important, and beneficial, to be thankful for what we have – much or little, through hard work or through a gift. Being grateful for what we have helps us to enjoy what we have and helps us to look outwards to others and their contribution to our life and sustenance. Previously, when I worked in large towns and cities, this was doubly important as there people are much less aware of where their food comes from, and don't appreciate

either the effort made by others or how reliant crops are on the weather that comes.

Christians and the Jewish people before them sang songs of thankfulness such as Psalm 65 quoted above to say thank you to God for all they had. They recognized that it was ultimately God who provided the seed, soil and weather – and the flocks too – that they relied on.

The words of Psalm 65 (in the Hebrew language it was originally written in) can actually be read in two ways – as a prayer of thankfulness for past harvests and food, but also as a prayer for coming good harvests and abundant provision. With food ever increasing in cost, many of us might be echoing this prayer. And it reminds us that Harvest is also a time for sharing the good things we have received. It's wonderful that in North Tawton we have such ventures as the community fridge, the library of things and the repair café where food, tools and skills are shared, so that what one person has in abundance can be shared with others. There is a blessing in sharing with others, as Jesus himself said – it is more blessed to give than to receive. And this also means we can be the answer to our own prayers – as we share what we have with others, others share with us what we need. Let's continue to be a sharing community!

Rev'd. David Spence



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Cemetery Memorial Inspections

The Council has a legal duty to carry out health and safety inspections of memorials in the Cemetery and closed Churchyard. The Council has appointed an external, qualified Company, to carry out the inspections, which will commence middle of September 2023. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the Town Clerk.

Clock Tower & Lych Gate Funding Appeal

We are delighted at the immeasurable support we have received from public donations and local Businesses, which have enabled us to reach our target. Thank you so much. A special thank you to Grahame Flynn for arranging and co-ordinating the fund-raising campaign free of charge. We couldn't have done it without him. The Masonry work on the clock tower is underway, following which the repaired roof will be reinstalled. We are awaiting an updated works schedule and costings with regards to the Lych Gate.

Christmas 2023

Due to owner liabilities, the council does not have permission from most property owners to put Christmas trees on their properties around The Square. With immediate effect, therefore, the Council will only be able to place the large Christmas Tree next to the Clock Tower and are looking at options to provide some form of Christmas decoration in the Memorial Park Carpark.

We would like to encourage and promote two Christmas competitions and award prizes for the following.

Best dressed Christmas Window Display – all private and commercial properties along High Street, The Square and Fore Street (to be confirmed)

Best residential external Christmas display around the Town (to be confirmed)

We hope to finalise and agree the details at the Estates Committee Meeting on 28th September. If you have any suggestions on how we can light up our town at minimal cost, please let the Town Clerk or any Councillor know.

Electric Vehicle Charge Points

Unfortunately, RAW Charging have decided we do not meet their criteria to receive fully funded charge points in the town carpark. We are therefore, back to considering other options for the Town. The Transport Committee will be meeting on Monday 9th October.

Dog Mess

Please pick it up. There are numerous public health hazards associated with dog mess, but it can also cause health implications for wild stock too, so please pick up if after your dog, wherever you walk them and respect private land.

Council Meeting.

Our next council meeting will be Estates Committee on Thursday 28th September and full council on Tuesday 3rd October when Insp. Chris Conway, Devon & Cornwall Police will be speaking at the open forum and Monday 9th October Transport Committee. Our regular meetings are on the first Tuesday of every month, and the open forum is between 7.15 and 7.30, if you wish to make a presentation to the council and residents. To book this slot, please contact the Clerk at least 8 days before the meeting. At the Council public forum on 3rd November Rev. Spence – St. Peters Church, 5th December Andy Cattermole – Allison Homes development Weavers Place. Alternatively, we have 2 periods during the meeting when the public can attend and raise matters for the Council to consider. however, unless the matter is already on the agenda, the Council will not be able to offer an immediate response but will carry the item to the next agenda for a formal reply if this is required.

Melanie Bickell, Town Clerk

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North Tawton Afternoon W.I.

Ramblings of a North Tawton W.I. Member

Warning. This may well be a bit more rambling [rambly?] than usual. It's hot. Very hot. And my concentration is not what it should be. Some may say that wouldn't make any difference. Let's have a flick through the Devon W.I. News magazine. Is that a group of North Tawton W.I. ladies on the front cover? Hang on – isn't that them on page four? And page six? [knocking back the gin] Looks like them again on page seven. It can't be them again on page eight? Oh yes. No less than FIVE appearances in the news magazine, showing other Devon W.I.'s what we get up to. Some may call it 'over exposure' [A quick Google of that phrase tells me it means 'excessive media coverage, especially to the point that people lose interest'] Can't risk that – maybe just one or two appearances in the next edition then. Wouldn't want to be accused of hogging the limelight. Let's talk about British Sign Language. Our speaker was Beth Bartholomew and she was accompanied by Clare, her interpreter. Beth has been a member of the Deaf community for over 30 years, she is fluent in British Sign Language [BSL] has over 10 years of teaching experience and is currently a lecturer at Exeter University teaching a variety of different levels of BSL. Beth and Clare worked together seamlessly, going through the various types of deafness and communication methods and the different forms of sign language. Lip reading seems like an obvious way of communicating with a deaf person but, interestingly, 70% of lipreading is guesswork and it is not an effective form of communication by itself. Beth advised us to wait for eye contact from the person who is deaf, keep your hands away from your mouth, check that your face isn't in shadow, speak normally [don't shout] and don't be embarrassed to write things down if necessary – and don't ever say 'don't worry, it doesn't matter' and not try to communicate, as it can leave a deaf person feeling very isolated.

BSL was introduced in 1975 as the native language of deaf people and is a language in its own right, it is a very physical language system of communication using facial expressions and mouth patterns as well as gestures. Now it was over to us. A demonstration of the BSL alphabet was followed by an attempt to spell our names and to introduce ourselves to our neighbour. You could feel the level of concentration rise as fingers, thumbs and faces were put into use – a challenging exercise that was a good way to begin to appreciate just how important the language is to its users and it certainly gave us a snapshot of how life is for someone in the Deaf community.

Husband hasn't had a mention yet. [He has now] Do you love to hear the beautiful sound of church bells being rung? You do? Then you'll be overjoyed to know that a group of us will be having a lesson in bellringing in the autumn. That's made you sit up and listen, hasn't it? Might ask our lovely pharmacy to bulk buy ear plugs. Could cause panic buying.

And finally - Ever been on a Mystery Trip? Well, I've booked the coach.....
..... And that's all you need to know. Sue Knott



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The last week of July and the first week of August saw us digging at Moistown again. We have had some new diggers this year which has been a treat. We had younger people, which is really good, both for us but also for the long term future of archaeology and the history of our area. We do have to have any under 16s accompanied by their responsible adult though. Our insurance won't let us do otherwise.

We pulled out all the stops, well, several of them, to advertise our Open Day and it paid off. We have never had so many visitors just coming to look at what we were doing. It was great to see everyone.



*The usual view of diggers! Uncovering the wall that shouldn't be quite there.
And the wall not quite where we expected it.*

In September, this year, we hope to be able to do a little dig at Coldridge Church. If you have never visited the church it is well worth a visit. A lovely interesting church in a spectacular position. We visited as a group earlier this year and can't wait to get back. A lovely screen and an interesting story linked to Richard the Third and the Princes in the Tower.



Our year has also seen us on Dartmoor, again and at North Tawton looking for the Romans.
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Hi everyone

This month is very much about looking ahead and yes, I am going to mention Christmas. Before that, a few bits of news.

I am delighted to let you know that the Devils Cauldron is once again open at Lydford Gorge. I know how much people have missed the loop to see this incredible geological feature so I am sure the good news will be welcomed.

Thank you to everyone who has supported the pop-up second hand bookshop at Finch Foundry. It is going really well and people are enjoying having a browse so we have decided to leave the bookshop in place until the end of October half term.

At Castle Drogo, our team of research volunteers has been digging up stories of the Drewe family and how musical they were. Castle Drogo was often filled with music (In my mind, I'm imagining scenes similar to The Sound of Music). If there are any local Von Trapp families willing to perform for us, we'd love to hear from you as, this Christmas, we're asking local musicians to come and help us bring the Castle to life. We are looking for solo artists or groups, of any genre, although we would ask that it is family friendly and a little bit festive. The Castle will be open from 2nd December Fridays and weekends and then everyday between the 19th – 23rd December. If you think you might be interested in joining us this Christmas, contact Helen.bull@nationaltrust.org.uk who will be able to chat through how it will work.

We are also looking ahead to Spring when we re-open after the winter deep clean. We are planning a few volunteer drop in days at Castle Drogo for those of you who might be thinking about a new year's resolution. These days are for you to pop along for a cuppa, have a chat and hear from current volunteers what it is like to be a volunteer for the National Trust on Dartmoor. The open days are 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. on Monday 29th January, Saturday 9th March and Sunday 5th May.

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News From North Tawton Community Primary School



Art at Our School

Our children love to draw, paint and sculpt! Over the two years I have been here, I have been so impressed by the individual and the collaborative work the children have created and displayed. Not only do we have a passionate member of staff leading on all things arty, we have been blessed with local artists also sharing their skills and passion with our children.

Juliet Boyce, our school art lead, writes the following:

“At the end of last term, we enjoyed a number of art workshops led by local artists. Emmeline Webb, a textiles artist, came to teach year 4 all about printing techniques. Emmeline is a local artist who creates colourful, abstract art which is then turned into fabrics. Her work is inspired by William Morris. The class practised carving a design into a polystyrene tile and then used ink and rollers to make a series of prints of their designs.

PJ Grey gave a clay workshop inspired by Anthony Gormley's figures. The Year 3 children practised sculpting tiny figures and used their imaginations to bring some individuality to their work. PJ explained about the history of clay.

Year 1 walked down to the gallery to find out about the artist in residence Ruth Batham. They noticed that she uses lots of red, yellow and orange in her work, and that all of her paintings included babies and parents. They then came back to school with Ruth and enjoyed a colour mixing workshop.

Year 5 spent an afternoon with local artist Ruth Smith, working with acrylic paints. Ruth talked through some examples of her landscape paintings and the children had a go at mixing colours and created beautiful nature inspired art.

Year 2 and 6 will be working with Jason Ewing in September to create some stop motion animation scenes. Jason is a local graphic designer, who has been volunteering in Year 3 this year.

Thank you to all the artists who have volunteered their time to work with our school and to the parents who have helped out as well. We are so lucky to have such a creative community. We look forward to making this an annual event.”

A huge thank you to Juliet Boyce and to Ruth Smith for organising this and other art projects over the year. If you have a skill you can share with our school children, or just some time to help us in class for example by listening to children read, please let me know!

Tara Penny

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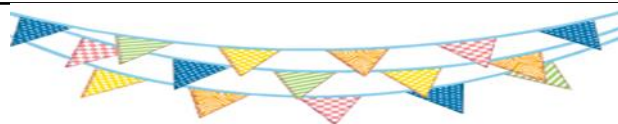
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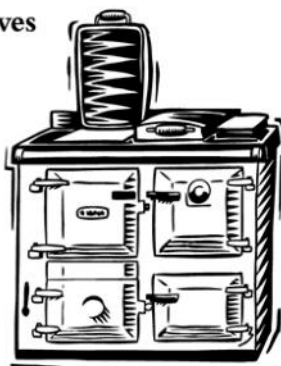
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This month's Art Box is written by Susi Kirkwood and Rob Harris, two of the original founders of Red Mud Arts.

One winter evening several years ago, where we used to live, some forty neighbours joined us for a 'bring-and-share' gathering. But it wasn't just food we were sharing! It was talents and skills and resources! We'd discovered that many of our neighbours didn't really know each other. So we'd looked for a way of helping them connect and feel part of a community. People were soon offering everything from how to use a potter's wheel to coaching in English and French, hedge-cutting to curtain-making! Mutual support started happening!

Red Mud Arts is encouraging a similar sharing approach. Starting last year at the first Red Mud Arts get-together, this continued at a recent Red Mud Arts event at the Taw Valley Brewery, with people posting their ideas, offerings and requests on large boards. Offerings range from music theory to paper supplies, from bass playing to theatre workshops!

A synopsis of the creative-related ideas, skills and resources is now on the Red Mud Arts website: www.redmudarts.co.uk. Scroll down and click on the 'Ideas Boards' box! If there are talents and resources you'd like to add, please email the details to redmudarts@gmail.com. We can add these in, and then try to connect providers and requesters.

Recently a Red Mud Arts Facebook group was also set up to enable creatives to share and connect more directly with each other. Please do head over to 'Red Mud Arts – Community Group' and join it. It's been wonderful to see it so busy with creative comings and goings already.

Creativity can enrich lives and bring joy, wonder, and new perspectives. Our hope is that by helping people to share talents, skills, resources and ideas in the creative sphere, Red Mud Arts can further encourage a strong sense of community and mutual support locally among established creatives, emerging talent, and those who like to support the arts.

Susi & Rob



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Exbourne, Sampford Courtenay & Jacobstowe WI

The meeting was held on Tuesday September 12th in Exbourne village hall when the president, Margaret Cleveland, welcomed everyone and Jerusalem was sung.

The speaker was Tracey Johnson who demonstrated Wet Felting and also showed several items that she had made. She was thanked by Sally Kenealy.

The business part of the meeting followed after tea and biscuits. Margaret thanked all those who had helped with the exhibit at Okehampton Show. It was disappointing that it did not win, but it won the Peoples' Choice. An Open Garden at Southey Farm, Sampford Courtenay was announced for Saturday September 16th in aid of Hospice Care and an Apple Pie competition at Sampford Courtenay Cider Farm on Saturday September 30th. The WI will hold Soup and Puds in the village hall on Saturday October 28th and a Jumble Sale on April 13th 2024. The next walk was to be on Friday September 29th along the Granite Way and golf course at Okehampton. Flower of the Month winner was Gillian Townsend Green and the winner of the competition of an item made of felt was Karen Hunter. The next meeting will be in Exbourne village hall on Tuesday October 10th when Nancy Passmore will be demonstrating 'Mists and Mellow Fruitfulness.'

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Thursday 26th Oct Cheerful Chatter Group 2-3 p.m.

Friday 17th Nov Quiz and Puddings 7p.m.

Friday 24th Nov Film night
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Tuesday 28th Nov Community lunch 12 noon

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North Tawton

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Total rainfall for August was 66.3mm compared to 49.6mm last year. This year half the total fell in the last week, whereas last year half the total fell in one day.

Danny Semorad

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Church Flowers & Brass

Sampford Courtenay

October
November

Sarah Hanks
Jackie Mardon

Honeychurch

October
November

Marilyn Weeks
Mary Pyle

Bondleigh

Oct 1st
Oct 8th / 15th
Oct 22nd / 29th
Nov 5th / 12th
Nov 19th / 26th

Lin Warre
Sonia Rix
Nikki Jourdan
Trish Peters
Claerwen Gillespie
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North Tawton

Flowers

Oct 1st
Oct 8th / 15th
Oct 22nd / 29th
Nov 5th
Nov 12th / 19th
Nov 26th

Celia Boughton /
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Harvest Festival
Sue Knott
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October
November

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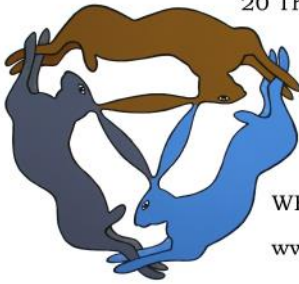
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