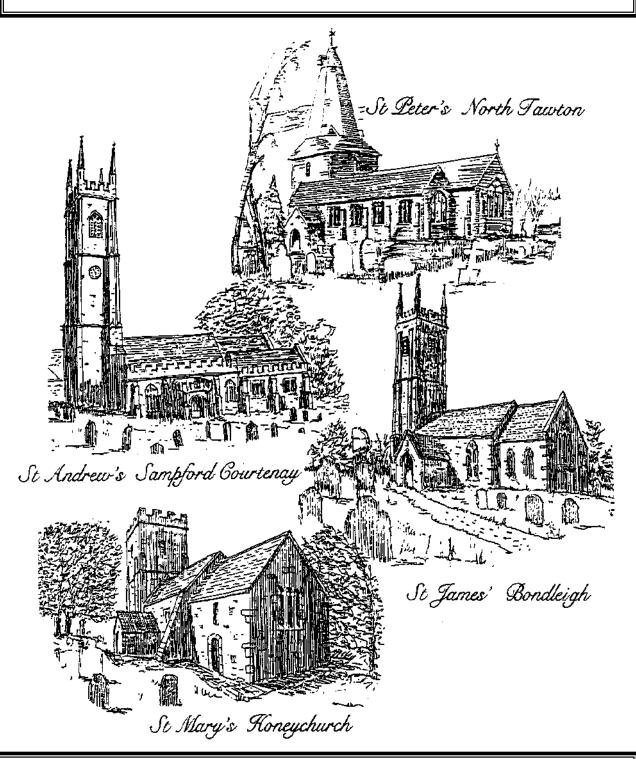
ROUNDABOUT

North Tawton, Bondleigh, Sampford Courtenay, Honeychurch - and beyond!



March 2025



From The Rectory

How do you like your pancakes? I love mine with sugar and lemon juice – but I have to say a pancake with ice-cream in it is also something to savour. Yes, in just a few days it will be Pancake Day, a little later than normal.

Pancake Day or Shrove Tuesday is the day before the season of Lent begins. Traditionally it was the day when all the luxurious foods were finished off before Lent when such foods were given up. Now the 40-day Lent 'fast' (the giving up of certain foods for a time) was inspired by the 40-day fast of Jesus as he set out on his life's mission.

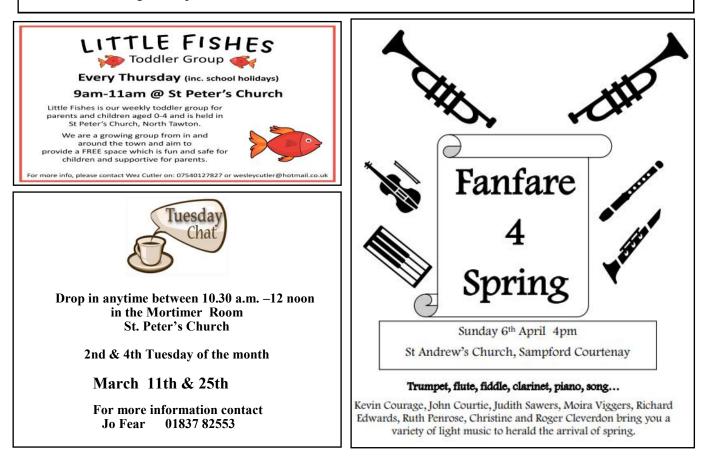
Jesus had been baptised and commissioned by God through a voice from heaven saying "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased." And then God's Spirit came to rest on Jesus in the form of a dove. Jesus had waited about 30 years to start this work which he came to earth to do. So how did he begin? We read in Mark's gospel:

> Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry ... (Luke 4:1-2)

The first thing Jesus does in his mission to rescue the world is to head into the wilderness for forty days. There he ate nothing. That puts our Lent fasts into perspective. He didn't just give up coffee or chocolate but all food! He needed time to be with God in prayer to prepare himself for this work. To be directed by God into the right way to do this work. But most importantly he had to choose to start down the right track. In the desert he was tempted to take short cuts to glory – to go with displays of power to force people to recognize who he was and follow him. But that was not God's way – God's way was one of humble service of others. Loving people into following him not forcing them. This was the battle that Jesus had to fight on his own: to chose God's hard but loving way, rather than exercise the power he had for his own ends.

This Lent, as well as maybe giving something, why not follow Jesus in using this season to choose the good and right path to walk in your life. Maybe to choose to follow a more loving and self-less path as Jesus did. Maybe to reject the short cuts to greatness which we are all tempted to take and in the process ride rough-shod over other people or over the right ways to do things. To help us in this time of thoughtful preparation many people take up a habit of reading a Christian book or the Bible to feed their thoughts, prayers and preparations. You might like to join us for our Lent Communion or Lent Course (advertised elsewhere in the Roundabout). What might you do to follow in Jesus's footsteps this Lent?

David Spence





Midweek Communion

Please do join us, for our midweek communion services; they are open to all.

<u>12 noon 25th March</u> (St. Peter's, North Tawton)

A traditional said communion service from the Book of Common Prayer.



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North Tawton Afternoon W.I.

Ramblings of a North Tawton W.I. Member

Have you seen it? My Dorodango? Did you stare at it – full of admiration for such a well crafted piece of art? I'm guessing that's a 'no'. You have no idea how much I invested in that ball of mud. But, regardless of my Dorodango [that nobody noticed] I hope you were blown away by the other wonderful exhibits in the Post Office window – along with the photographic evidence of what we get up to. You want to be in our gang now don't you?

Four members of our gang were tasked with presenting our W.I. resolutions at our February meeting. And they were:- 'The Repair Revolution' – all about encouraging recycling and repairing items of clothing – 'Bystanders can be Lifesavers' – some stark statistics regarding the survival rates of those who suffer a cardiac arrest and encouraging us all to learn how to perform CPR, 'Lets Talk about Incontinence' – more statistics about the problems and stigma attached to those experiencing urinary and bowel incontinence, and 'Eliminating Landfill of Medicine Packaging' – highlighting the difficulty in the disposal of blister packs which are composed of plastic and metal.

Karen, Izzy, Rosie and Lulu presented their resolutions with confidence and professionalism which sparked animated discussions amongst our members – we love a good debate – and after a well earned cup of tea it was time to vote. 'Bystanders can be Lifesavers' received the most support so this will go forward to the Devon Federation, which in turn will send Devon's' results on to our National Federation for further debate at our National AGM later in the year.

Talking about recycling and repairing items of clothing - there is an air of 'smugness' around husband. He's esperate for me to tell you about his clothing repair skills. Here goes. Am I the only wife in this lovely parish that has a husband who can turn around a worn collar on a shirt? Am I the only wife in this lovely parish who has a husband who owns a wooden darning mushroom? In our loft there sits a very old Singer sewing machine. It's not mine. Oh no. Wouldn't that be laughable if it was? Husband has used it for a variety of repair and recycling projects over the years. Do you remember flared jeans, [the first time around] back in the 70's? Of course you do. He 'converted' his flares to straight leg when the fashion changed. What do you think of that? And it doesn't stop there. He has also converted jeans to shorts and taken up the legs that are too long on trousers and boiler suits. You have to ask yourself – is there no limit to his skills? Whilst I think long and hard about the answer to that question let's move on.

You want to know what our W.I. is up to don't you? Well – we've just arranged another lock-in at White Stuff in Exeter, an opportunity to visit the store after hours and refresh our summer wardrobes. We're also heading to the New Inn at Sampford Courtenay, in July, for a Cocktail Masterclass – I guess we could wear our new summer outfits purchased from White Stuff. How convenient. But before all this we have to win the Devon Federation Quiz. President Jan will not stand for us coming second. Oh no. So it's time to revise and fill our grey cells with copious amounts of useful information. This gets more difficult with every passing year. So much so that the only reason I volunteer for the team is because I know there will be cake. Nice cake. And a very decent brew. I sit there listening to questions about English literature, Opera and Rivers of the World and I'm wondering if there will be coffee and walnut cake, millionaires shortbread and flapjack. Unfortunately we never have a round of questions about cake. I find this very sad.

Just had a thought. Going back to husband's limitless skill range when it comes to recycling and repairing clothes, there is one skill he has failed to grasp. The skill of using a 'JML Magic Stitch Hand-Held Sewing Machine'. Seemed like a great idea at the time. He'd seen the advert on TV and thought it was the best thing since the invention of the power harrow. I bought one for him. I then had to sit and watch him fiddling and faddling with the thing [to no avail] until he shoved it back in it's box and declared that 'there's something wrong with it'. And there it has stayed. Now coated with a fine layer of dust. So before he has a chance to stop me sending this to the editors I am going to offer it to the parish. Yes – if you have room in your life for a JML Magic Stitch thingy then you know what to do. It's free to a good home.

I'm pressing send.

Sue Knott

Okehampton & District Local History Society

Wednesday 12th March - 7.30 p.m.

at The Ockment Centre, Okehampton. All Welcome. Visitors £3.00.

Okehampton and District Local History Society Talk - 'The Best Days of our Lives? - A brief history of the old Okehampton Primary School' by Dr. Alan Parkinson.

In this talk Alan Parkinson will discuss the importance of the history of the school and its wider community. Central to the talk is an overview of the historical development of the old Okehampton Primary School which was based for many years at the Ockment Centre (the venue for this talk). The recollections of some former pupils will be featured in the course of the talk and if you have your own memories or recollections, as a pupil, teacher or other staff, please come along and share them at this meeting.

Dr. Alan Parkinson is a former teacher, teacher-trainer and university history lecturer. He has written many books and is the co-author of 'West Devon's History Tales' and 'More West Devon History Tales'.

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SAMPFORD COURTENAY & HONEYCHURCH FLOWER, VEGETABLE & PRODUCE SHOW 2025

We have decided to revert to the original date for this year's Flower & Vegetable Show – SAT 6^{TH} SEPTEMBER in the hope that schools will have gone back, people will not be on holiday and they will all have had time to grow some flowers and vegetables, be in the mood for baking and preserving produce, and have plenty of time to perfect various crafts, photography, limericks, etc..

To continue this Annual Event, which has been part of the Sampford Courtenay Calendar for over 50 years, we need more exhibitors and more entries to make worthwhile the effort of organising it. Comments at the Open Meeting in November mentioned that some people are "new" to exhibiting and do not know "the rules". To help with this I have put some of the **WI and RHS Guidelines** on our website here for you all to have a look at. <u>https://www.sampfordcourtenay-pc.gov.uk/flower-show-2025</u>

Other comments were that we should limit entries to perhaps 2 per class from any individual exhibitor – we may consider this – but it still needs more people to put in some effort and enter their own exhibits so that there is something for the paying public to view when the doors open.

Our **POTATO IN THE BUCKET** Class remains popular with 60 + entries. Bill already has this year's seed potatoes chitting, ready to be collected from the **Village Hall on Saturday 26th April at 10 a.m.**. We will also be hoping to have some plants and seeds to sell/swap and a chance to chat with some of the "experienced" exhibitors over a cuppa. Plus, a chance to give us your ideas of additional/ different classes before we finalise this year's schedule.

While it is still too cold and wet to get outside in the garden – why not get your "Homecraft" entries ready? And take a look at the Gardener's World website to see what you could plant from March onwards https://www.gardenersworld.com/plants/what-to-plant-march/

If you want to RESERVE your seed potato and bucket, or have any other comments/suggestions for this year's show – please contact Marion & Bill on 01837 82285 or marion174@btinternet.com

CHURCH FLOWERS NORTH TAWTON



There will be a meeting on Tuesday March 11th at 12 noon in the Mortimer Room for all people on the rota and anyone who may be interested in joining us.



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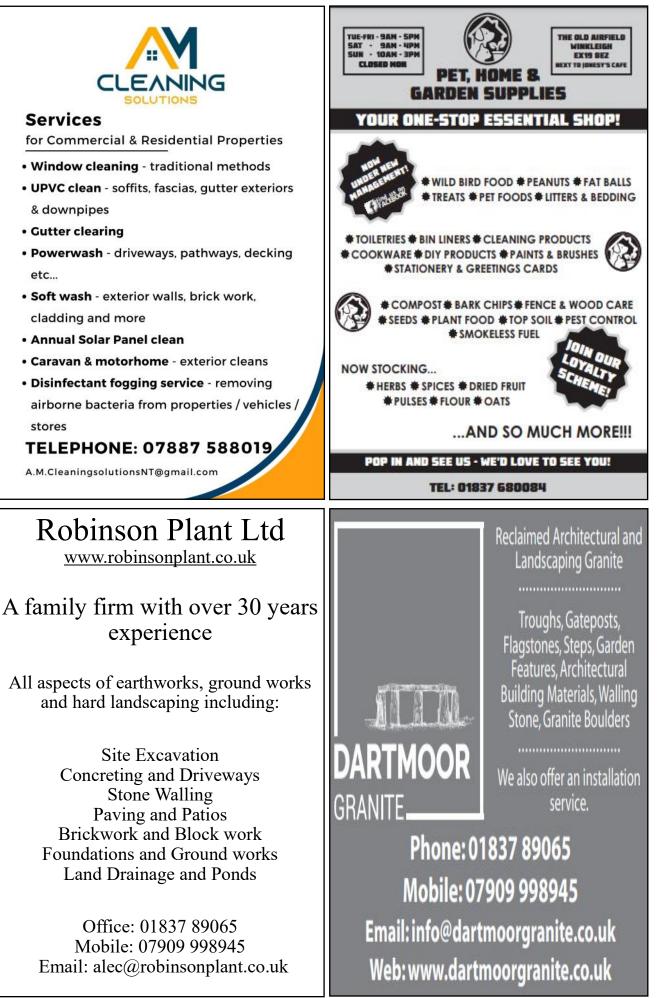
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- When you commence the walk ensure that you are by the Clock Tower and the Town Hall is behind you!
- The longer walk includes some steep hills and, potentially, muddy footpaths
- If you are taking a dog, you cannot access the church grounds so, when you reach that part of the tour, come back through the Square and into Market Street to the Lychgate
- Please pause the recording at any time whilst walking from one point of interest to another.
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Enjoy and have a great walk!

Exbourne, Sampford Courtenay, and Jacobstowe WI

Our President praised everyone for a good turnout, on a very cold afternoon in February, but with the heating on full and plenty of enthusiasm members enjoyed an afternoon workshop of making a glass spoon rest, under the instruction of Anne Stuart. There were plenty of ideas on how the spoons were going to match our own kitchen décor, with different versions using precut glass, coloured glass frit and glass stringers. We must now wait until our March meeting, to see the outcome of our designs, after they have been fired twice.

Our birthday celebration is to take place at the Railway Inn in March.

Deven County WI are organising a Dartmoor historical walk at Meldon Quarry, and a cruise travelling down the canal and river from Exeter to Exmouth.

We are making plans to visit the Exeter underground passages in May, Devonshire Heavy Horse farm in July, with a cream tea, and a garden visit to Goyle at Whidden Down in August.

Our group is now part of the Red Earth Group of WIs, and we have been invited to join Morchard Bishop WI in April with a talk by Stephen Powles.

Our next meeting will be our AGM at Exbourne Hall on 11th March, at 2.30 p.m., when we will have a show and tell with ideas on how to make Easter decorations.

If you are interested and would like to come along and see what the WI has to offer, please phone 07971413997 for more information, or contact DFWI. *Liz Moir*

Audio Guided History Walk of North Tawton

Many of you reading this will have experienced the History Walk, around our town, with Mike Thwaites, and what an experience it was. I was fortunate to undertake it myself in 2012 during the town's celebrations that year.

Mike was working with Kay Caldwell to make a downloadable audio file for residents and visitors to be able to access and do the walk at their leisure. As many of you will be aware, Mike passed away before the project could be completed. Most of the script was written, but nothing committed to recording or how to 'get it out there' decided upon.

I was honoured to be approached to see if we could bring Mike's talk to life and went on a trial run with his daughters Anna and Amy and his son, Ben. This made me realise how important it was to complete the project and, with huge input from Ben in particular, who had done the walk with his Dad many times ("when we came to this bit, Dad always used to say.....") we completed the script and I committed it to an audio file.

The, "getting it out there" bit is what this is all about. Local businesses have kindly agreed to display posters – like you see here – in their windows so that the QR Code can be scanned and then, off you go on the walk. When you scan the code, it takes you to the website "qr.me-qr.com" and then you merely press the skip advert button, and the audio file will open in your One Drive. You will, therefore, need to be registered into the One Drive of your phone.

I would recommend, anyone reading this and wishing to try out the walk, to scan the barcode from this copy of Roundabout and download the file in the comfort of your own home! This can then be saved and accessed each time you wish to take yourselves and/or others on the walk.

So, I really hope you enjoy doing the walk around your town and, hopefully learning new things about North Tawton that you didn't know, I certainly have! It is amazing how many important people are associated with this wonderful place.

When you have finished, perhaps pop into one of the mentioned hostelries and raise a glass to Mike, without whom none of this would have been possible.

Thank you to everyone for your support on this project.

Happy Walking *Nigel Davies*





CALLING ALL SINGERS!

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Okehampton Choral Society is looking for new members! We are a friendly choir spanning a wide age range and all voices are welcome - there are no auditions and it doesn't matter if you do not read music. All you need is enthusiasm and a love of singing and you will find yourself enjoying the opportunity to sing in four part harmony and discovering a wide range of music.

We meet on a Monday evening for a 7:15pm start at Fairplace Church, Okehampton. We are not a church choir but we do appreciate the warm and welcoming atmosphere that Fairplace offers. You will be welcome to come along for a couple of rehearsals before deciding whether you would like to join us.

For further information please contact: Bill on 01837 53109 or Helen on 01409 231106

BONDLEIGH RAINFALL

2025 started wet with over 72mm in the first ten days of January. As is often the case during the winter months this month can be split into three parts. The middle ten days were dry followed by another ten days of heavy rain. The total rainfall for January was 141mm compared to 100.3mm last year.

Danny Semorad

BOW & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Monday 24 March 7.15 for 7.30 p.m. talk by Robert Hesketh On Smuggling in Devon.

Bow Village Hall EX17 6HU. Membership £15 Visitors very welcome £4.00 Tea/coffee biscuits included. Enquiries 01363 82468

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Our speaker this month is Emma Cunis

Tuesday 18th March

at 2.30 p.m. in Fairplace Church

Emma is the founder of

Dartmoor's Daughter and will be talking about

"Dartmoor Myths and Legends".

Inside every seemingly strange story of witches, black dogs, and ghostly happenings on Dartmoor is a small kernel of truth. What are the real histories or possible origins behind the devil at Widecombe church; Hairy Hands; Faithless Wives of Chagford; Hound of the Baskervilles; Bowerman's Nose and Hound Tor; and more?

To find out why not come along and listen to Emma who is an engaging and seasoned speaker illustrating her talks with stunning photographs, meticulous research, and personal anecdotes.

This meeting will be held at Fairplace Church, 3 Fairplace Terrace, Okehampton, EX20 1DT Admission - £1.00 to help towards the cost of speaker, hiring the venue and refreshments. For further information please contact Dee McVey 01837 658590



St. Andrew's Bellringers

will be holding their annual Coffee Morning

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on Saturday 15th March

between 10 a.m. and 12 noon.

Tea, coffee and biscuits. Stalls : Raffle : Books : Fresh Veg : Cakes Draw at 11.40 a.m.





News from North Tawton School

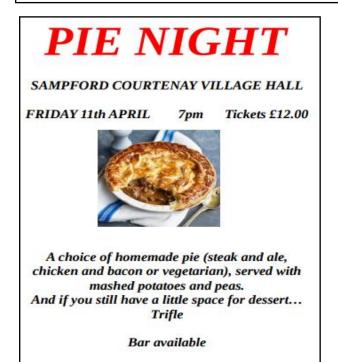


North Tawton Has Talent!

January and February can be a bit of an anticlimax after the excitement of our Christmas activities. To lift our spirits and bring some sparkle to the dark rainy days, we decided to have a school talent show! We felt this would be a great opportunity for our pupils to showcase their creativity and further develop their confidence. By performing in front of an audience, they will gain a sense of accomplishment and pride in their abilities. This boost in self-esteem also fits in nicely with our focus of promoting positive mental health in the month where children's mental health is a national priority. Talent shows foster a sense of community and school spirit. They bring students together allowing them to appreciate each other's talents and strengths. These events promote inclusivity, as every student, regardless of their academic performance, can be involved in some way. Talent shows also create a shared experience for both performers and spectators, and most importantly, they are good fun! Over the half term, children have been practicing singing, playing musical instruments dancing, telling jokes, performing card tricks, and even puppet ventriloquism! The first rounds of auditions were with their teachers as judges and classmates as an audience. The second auditions were with me and the final performance will be in front of guest judges (the children think Taylor Swift is coming!) Through the audition process, they have learnt how to handle both success and failure, building resilience and a growth mindset that is essential for personal development. At the time of writing, we have just announced the finalists: The Ghost Busters – William, Rupert, Eloise, Lyra and Ada – dance act The Diamonds - Willow, Amelia, Poppy, Lola, Mia, Grace, Brooke, Delilah and Adaline - singing and dance act The Little Frogs - Friday afternoon Nursery - singers The Magnificent Magicians - Layla and Emily - card tricks Ben – guitar and vocals Sofiia - dance performer Francesca and Friend – ventriloquism and comedy Raf Sheeran - guitar and vocals The Crazy Dads - Clayton and Evander - comedy The Blossoms - Lily Rose, Amelia, Tabitha, Evie May - singers We are all looking forward to the show on the last day of this half term.

Please look on our website for our class blogs and school news to find out who won!

Tara Penny Principal



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We are also now able to offer repairs to computers and to bikes. Bikes must be booked in – please drop us a message on facebook, or call Ruth 07950 637976

8th March 2025 - 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

Please bring all items in prior to 12 noon, the earlier you bring them, the more likely we are to be able to look at them that day! At the Community Centre, Barton Street, North Tawton, EX20 2HN.

For more information go to <u>https://fb.me/NTRepairCafe</u> If you'd like to find out about volunteering your skills, then please drop in or call Ruth.



North Tawton Library of Things

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THE ART BOX – March 2025 In association with Ruth Smith Gallery and Red Mud Arts. If you would like to contribute a short creative piece, review, or general arty musings, please send to Ruth at ruth@ruthsmithgallery.co.uk



We are really looking forward to having Ineke Van der Wal (b. 1954, NL) exhibit at Ruth Smith Gallery this March.

The paintings in the new body of work 'The Return ' are neither completely abstract nor figurative; they are suggestive of both. Whilst the strong intense layered colours, depths of surfaces of dark and light spaces, move you to go deeper and deeper into the painting, they also propose to step back, and to be enticed to pause and contemplate.

They could be suggestive of landscapes and they could be suggestive of portraits. At times fragmented and disjointed, the visuality of the work reflects or suggests the process of coming to terms with the past and the memories of a past which has been lost, yearned for and found again but with a different kind of body. 'The Return' paintings bring with them an air of wistfulness and melancholy as much as a sense of abrupt confrontation.

Ineke's exhibition, 'The Return' will be up 1st-22nd March, with an opening 6-8pm on Saturday 1st March and an artist's talk at 1pm on Saturday 22nd March. We hope you can come!



What goes on behind the Big Green Doors? Answer: North Tawton Bowling Club.

Members are asked all the time by visiting bowlers about the history of the club and how it came to be in such a unique setting. Well, before 1952 local men played bowls informally on the vicarage lawn. At the time tennis courts were located in the vicarage vegetable gardens, where the bowling green now stands. The Church Commissioners decided to sell this piece of land, which was purchased by Walter Martin with the intention of creating a bowling green.

Initially 4 rinks were constructed using sand from Bude and ashes from local gasworks, transported by Gregory's lorries. The first date of play was 23rd April 1953. The greens were levelled and reseeded and officially opened on 21st August 1955, so later in the year we will be celebrating this 70 year milestone with a special competition.

Our lovely Clubhouse was constructed in 2017 with help from local charities, Lottery funding and of course the people, including members, of North Tawton. It really is a clubhouse to be admired. On a more current note, our green will be opened for the Summer on Saturday 19th April 2025 at 2 p.m.. If you would like to come along and see what bowling involves you would be most welcomed. All you need are flat shoes, couldn't be easier! During the summer we have informal sessions where we practice or roll up on a Monday evenings from 6 p.m. and again you are most welcome to turn up on these evenings. If you decide you want to get more involved, some taster sessions can be arranged. For any further information please visit our website <u>www.northtawtonbc.co.uk</u> or call John Kinsey on 07707 20807136



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Sampford Courtenay Flower Club

10th March 2025

Sue Johns - Demonstration

Out of the Box

For more information contact the Chairman, Nancy Passmore on 01837 54894

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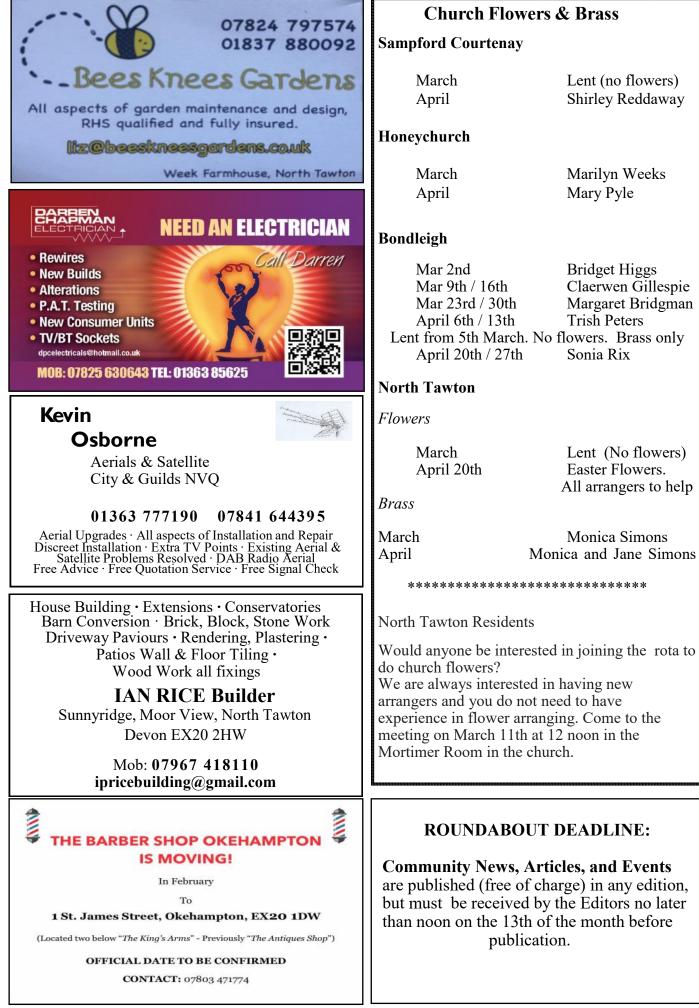
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