



KILKHAMPTON PARISH NEWS

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Welcome...

To another issue of our local parish news!

We have many of the usual features and contributors, and I will leave it to you to find your favourite reading and events inside.

I'd like to just draw attention to a few additional entries this month:

On page 3, you will find 2 notices: one is about the 'Coronation Big Lunch' being held on Sunday 7th May - for anyone interested, booking is essential. The other is an advance notice about this year's flower festival at St James, with the theme of 'What a Wonderful World' which should give people lots of scope to share their ideas and celebrations through flowers.

On page 7, Richard-Ward-Smith talks about his view of life and 'learning to let go'.

On pages 8 and 9, we have 'memories of old Kilk' - a lovely reminisce of how life was in Kilk from the 1940s onwards. Tony Davis was invited to share his memories of Kilk over his lifetime in a talk to Kilk Krafts in February. Many in the audience shared some of his memories and their own, and the talk was enjoyed by all. Inside is the first part of his talk, and part 2 will be in the May edition.

On page 11, there is notice of the upcoming Annual Parochial meeting of St James Church, and a reminder for those interested to check your entries in their electoral roll are correct.

Page 12 has an important notice about the village fete. There used to be fierce competition for the roles of fete queen, coachman and all other roles, plus lots of proud children and parents on the day. Over the last few years, interest has reduced a bit, so there is a call for anyone who is interested to let the fete committee know NOW, before the end of April. Otherwise we may find that this valued tradition will no longer be a part of Kilk fete.

There are lots of other lovely entries, including lots of photos of school activities. You can see them in colour online at www.kilkhampston.news

We hope to update you with all the village Coronation festivities in next month's edition. Enjoy!

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EDITORIAL



Hello everyone,

Well, it's a busy issue this month! I particularly like Tony Davis's talk on pages 8 and 9, but sadly I didn't have space to include the whole talk. So something to look forward to in the next issue - I hope I will be able to include the rest of the talk in one go!

I realise that my dreams from last month's editorial of everyone in Kilk speaking Kernowek has not been met with quite the enthusiasm I had hoped! I know some people have tried to say a few words but found it difficult, others have told me it's not for them.

So, maybe go a bit slower? One word or phrase a month?

So... just say hello to each other:

Spelling: Dydh da

Pronounced as: "Dith Dar"

If we achieve it, my plan is to get us on the One Show as the first village where everyone speaks Cornish, which will be a great advert for all things Kernowek!

I look forward to speaking to you all! Until next time... *Jill*

CORONATION BIG LUNCHEON

Sunday 7th May
GRENVILLE ROOMS
12.30 for 1pm
Cold Meat, Salad, etc.
Home Made Sweets
Celebration Sponge
Tea/Coffee

£6.00 (to include a glass of 'Bubbly')
(Subsidised by Kilkhampton Parish Council)

Numbers limited

Must be prebooked

Ring Joyce on 321292 to book

ST. JAMES CHURCH FLOWER FESTIVAL AUGUST 2023 (date to be arranged)

This year's theme: 'What a Wonderful World'

This should hopefully provide many lovely ideas. Subjects can range from the natural world, man-made and natural wonders, people and places, festivities, celebrations and anything our wonderful world contains.

For more information, or to provide or sponsor an arrangement, please contact

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We look forward to seeing you in August

ST JAMES CHURCH FLOODLIGHTING SPONSORSHIP

PLEASE NOTE NEW ARRANGEMENTS:

Please clearly write or type your notices for the church floodlighting page, put them in an envelope with the £5 fee, and give them in at the Spar by the 11th of each month.

If you have any queries, please contact Tracey Smith at kilkchurchlights@gmail.com
or phone her on 321432 or 07740 520459

Cheques should be made payable to 'KILKHAMPTON PCC'.

Please use the contact details on the opposite page to enquire about advertising (Martin), submit or amend your advert (Adam), or send in submissions for the editorial page (Jill). We are happy to be contacted in the first instance and we're happy to accept notices of events and news items. Adverts need to be submitted by 1st of the month for the following month, and editorial submissions by 12th of the month.

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Kilkhampton Church Services

St James Church

Sunday 2nd April - Palm Sunday

11am Holy Communion with Reverend Teresa
Welcomers: Rita and Jennie. Reader: Gillian: Matthew 21: 1-11.

Friday 7th April - GOOD FRIDAY

12 Noon Stations of the Cross with Reverend Richard.

Sunday 9th April - EASTER SUNDAY

11am Holy Communion with Rev. Douglas Adams
Welcomers: Joyce and Margaret. Reader: Ian: Acts 10: 34-43.

Sunday 16th April - 2nd Sunday of Easter

11am Morning Worship with Shorne Tilbey
Welcomers: Lyn and Myra. Reader: Peter: Acts 2: 14a and 22.
Our Annual Parochial Council Meeting to follow the service.

Sunday 23rd April - 3rd Sunday of Easter.

11am Morning Worship with Richard Painter
Welcomers: Tracey and Rita. Reader: Kevin: Acts 2: 14a and 36-41.

Sunday 30th April 4th Sunday of Easter BENEFICE SERVICE at St. James

**11am Holy Communion: Reverend Richard Leading and Presiding,
Mark Sinden Preaching**

Welcomers: Margaret and Lyn. Reader: Tony: Acts 2: 42 to end.

If anyone is unable to make their appointed date please arrange a replacement

Daily Morning Prayer: 9am Everyone welcome to drop in on any day

ZOOM Meeting ID 818 0754 3068 Password 342 493 Telephone 02030512874 or 02030515237

Methodist Chapel

<u>Date</u>	<u>Preacher</u>	<u>Flowers</u>	<u>Coffee</u>
2nd April	Mr. Courtney Drew	Debbie Dawber	Sandra Holmes
9th April	Rev. Simon Leigh	Edgar Metherell	Monica Heywood
16th April	Rev. Shirley Henderson	Judith Heard	Ken & Lorna Evans
23rd April	Mr. John Guy	Brigitte Salt	Sue & John Brooks
30th April	UNITED SERVICE At ST. JAMES		

FROM ST JAMES CHURCH

Dear friends,

It is with sadness that I write to you this month with (at the time of writing, fresh) news that our beloved church, St James the Great, Kilkhampton was broken into during the weekend we celebrated St Piran.

St Piran, the Patron Saint of Cornwall came to our shores because he had been expelled from Ireland for preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Jesus Christ came into this world to save sinners. What does it mean to be a sinner? For Christians, sin is really about separation from God, It's about those choices we make and temptations we fall victim to that are contrary to what God wants for us.

Sin is about ruptured relationships – with God, with one another, with ourselves. Between individuals and communities, in ways small and big, sin is what keeps us isolated, hopeless and suffering.

And we do not know what those who perpetrated the crime are feeling right now.

Jesus also said, ***'For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them.'*** (Matthew 18:20, NIV).

And that is what our churches were built for, to gather together in, to worship God, to seek and receive forgiveness for our sins. Yet, this Bible verse is about far more than just prayer or worship. Jesus

is telling us something vital about the human condition: We're not meant to go it alone.

That is so contrary to the message of our age. We are told that the individual is absolute; that I'm worth it, that we should be self-reliant; that there's power in independence. No wonder so many of us are miserable.

We are, quite literally, made for each other. God formed us for togetherness. It is in community, fellowship and interdependence that God makes His home, "there I am, with them."

It's not always easy. People are messy. Relationships are difficult. Yet togetherness with others, whether there is conflict and disappointment or harmony and delight, is what gives us life in all its fullness.

As we approach and celebrate Easter, we remember that we have all sinned and that love, forgiveness and reconciliation is at the heart of the Easter message that is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

What drove or motivated the crime, we do not know, but we do know that those who committed it are broken in heart, mind or spirit and so we pray for their healing and we pray that they will seek and thus receive forgiveness.

Yours in Christ,

Teresa

FROM KILKHAMPTON CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

March is a funny old month! You can think that Spring has started but Winter can remind you that it has not given up just yet!

I love the promise of spring, with its new growth. It seems that there is promise in the air and as I was thinking about it I was reminded of God's promise to Noah in Genesis 8 v 22

*While the earth remains
Seedtime and Harvest,
Cold and Heat,
Winter and Summer,
And Day and Night
Shall not cease.*

God is good at keeping his promises, isn't He? We find another promise in John 3 v 16 & 17

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

If God is good at keeping one promise he is good at keeping them all, and Jesus is the ultimate fulfilment of God's promise, so why not take him up on his promises.

Have a great month and remember *Love never fails*.

Every Blessing to you all

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P.S. I want to let you know of some changes that are taking place. As from June we will no longer have the use of the Christian Fellowship Hall. But don't panic! The lunches will go ahead at the Grenville Rooms, Coffee & Cakes will be at the Methodist hall. Table Tennis will have to cease, unless anyone wants to take it on. If you have any questions please contact me.

St James Church Floodlighting Sponsors April 2023

JOANNE BABB

Thoughts of a very special sister on her 53rd birthday, April 3rd.
We wish you were here so many times.
Miss you Jo.
Love Ann & John xxx

BABB

Happy Birthday to great-granddaughter Harlow, 3 on April 21st.
Love Nanny Annie & Bry xxx

PETER MITCHELL

Remembering a much-loved husband who passed away 20th April 2007.
Always in my thoughts, such wonderful memories. Very sadly missed.
My love, Ann.

JOHN DICKINSON

2nd April 2015.
Never far from my thoughts. Still so sadly missed.
With very much love,
Margaret, Isobel, Tim, Simon, Jeremy, Emily, Alice,
Grace, William, Charlotte, Anna, Henry, Tom and Jack.

GRIGG-CORNISH

Remembering my late husband Mike on the 21st April, which would have been our
Golden Wedding Anniversary.
The wedding took place at St James Kilkhampston on 21st April 1973.
Jean (Jen) xx

GEORGIE DEROSA

Passed away 22nd April 2016
Dear Georgie, it is 7 years since you left us,
but we still feel you with us every day.
Love you.
Mum, Dad, Maddy, Lyds, Emma, Richard, Jordan, Meg and Colby xxx

MICHAEL RICHARD MORRELL

3-10-34 – 18-04-18
Remembering my dear Mike, who always made me laugh.
With love always,
Sylvia

Church floodlighting sponsors: see information on page 3 of this newsletter

From Richard Ward-Smith...

Growing old is what happens to those of us lucky to get there! It does though bring its own unique challenges as well as rewards.

Often when visiting, I come across people who say to me, "Oh! It's not like the old days... when things were better...and people kinder. I wish I'd lived in my parents' time." We may feel that there was once a golden age when things were much better. Of course, for some, it was a better time, for others, not so. We are all getting older, though of course in our eyes 'later in life' often means 'older than me'. However, I am aware, especially on my visits to older people, that priorities do change, physical limitations do increasingly impact on our lives, and yes, our memories do sometimes let us down

I also realise that as we age we are also blessed with a storehouse of good memories; okay! and alongside some painful recollections, which just don't seem go away. However, these later years of ours also have the benefit of our having a long experience of the world and perhaps we can give more time to looking back over our lives. But before we start thinking about the regrets, the I wish that, the anxieties, the lost opportunities that start to take over our thoughts I will let you into the secret that is the saving grace of old age. And that is laughter.

I believe that our God is a God of joy and celebration and I think that laughter should be a tonic and a balm. Perhaps in the midst of a troublesome time something bubbles up which strikes us as funny.

An inappropriate word, a funny story, a moment of silliness, when we can laugh at ourselves and encourage the world to laugh with us.

We have all done some pretty daft or ridiculous things in our time.

One thing that Lynne and I have learnt (and it wasn't easy for both of us), is to 'let go'. When we moved and downsized our home because at our stage of life we realised that our need for space has reduced, the whole family descended upon us. Moving day

came along and we weren't allowed to pick up a piece of furniture, a book or anything. We felt like a couple of spare parts. Our granddaughter repainted the bathroom and kitchen, newly built by her future husband. We now have a home which fits our needs rather than our wants of yesteryear.

Let me leave you with one final thought. I earlier mentioned that we must 'let go'. We have got to learn to let others take up the baton, not just to give us an easier life, but for the future wellbeing of our families and friends, but for our community as well. Yes I am talking about all those things that are dear to us in which we have given so much time and love.

May we 'let go' - and let fly.

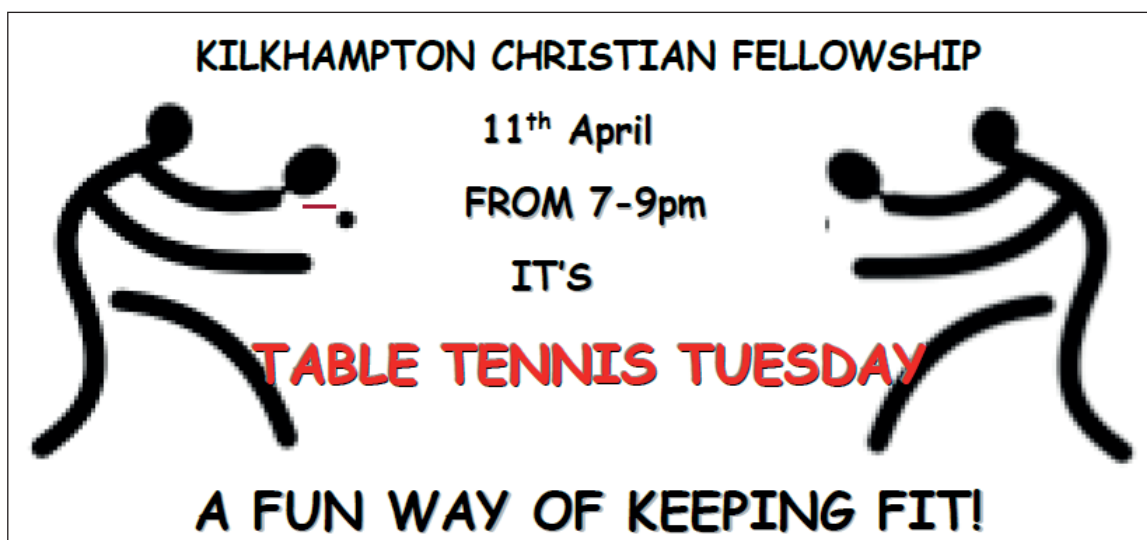
Perhaps I can leave you with a 17th century Nun's prayer which has always made me smile.

Lord, thou knowest better than I know myself that I am growing older and will some day be old. Keep me from the fatal habit of thinking I must say something on every subject and on every occasion. Release me from craving to straighten out everybody's affairs. Make me thoughtful but not moody; helpful but not bossy. With my vast store of wisdom it seems a pity not to use it all, but Thou knowest Lord, that I want a few friends at the end.

Keep my mind free from the recital of endless details; give me wings to get to the point. Seal my lips on my aches and pains. They are increasing and love of rehearsing them is becoming sweeter as the years go by. I dare not ask for grace enough to enjoy the tales of other's pains, but help me to endure them with patience. I dare not ask for improved memory, but for a growing humility and a lessening cocksureness when my memory seems to clash with the memories of others. Teach me the glorious lesson that occasionally I may be mistaken.

Keep me reasonably sweet; I do not want to be a saint – some of them are so hard to live with – but a sour old person is one of the crowning works of the Devil. Give me the ability to see good things in the unexpected.

Richard



MEMORIES OF OLD KILK

(Tony Davis's talk from the Kilk Krafts meeting, 8th February 2023)

For the benefit of incomers - if you have difficulty understanding me it is my local dialect - but more of that later. I do speak mostly English, a little Cornish and a lot of RUBBISH!

KAYSRINNEN (Kay-srin-nen) – Is there anyone who could work out what it means? We will return to this later when we talk about the local dialect!

I would like to thank the club for inviting me to share some of my memories. It is only when one starts to reminisce that realisation dawns just how things have evolved. For those of you who don't know me, I am Tony Davis, 82 years old and have lived in Kilk Parish all my life, so far! I was born in October 1940 in a cottage in Parkers Court, behind the Premier shop (now the village stores). There were then two cottages which faced each other, now made into one and occupied by Mike Carpenter and Jill Rodgers.

A few years on, we moved to Rose Cottage, then a thatched property badly in need of restoration, where I grew up, the oldest of 4 siblings. I got married to Joyce in 1964, we bought Ferndale in East Road at auction for £920. It was derelict and had a big makeover job to make it habitable. The then Stratton Rural District Council gave us a grant and when we took up residence our mortgage was just £11 per month (I was earning £7.75 a week). After 58 years, it is now on the market for £400,000!!

A son and a daughter later, we moved to Stibb in 1976 and after 37 years came back to the village 10 years ago. Five addresses all in Kilk Parish. In my early days to go to Bude was a BIG adventure, however we have since travelled further afield. Apart from holidays, my work took me throughout Europe, USA and even Russia.

When I think back on how the village was in the 40s and 50s I suppose it was like most villages in that time, very self-contained. No one needed to go out of the village much as their daily needs could be met right here. Kilk, today, is held up as having an unusual amount of shopping opportunities, unlike many other villages which have none, but my reminiscences show an even bigger variety.

I have not used names but we had a tailor, a bootmaker, a cycle shop, two blacksmiths, a milk delivery van (bring your own jug!), and Our post office had the services of several postmen who had 'walking rounds' through the designated footpaths in all weathers, to the farms on the outskirts of the village.

When I was about 18 years old, working at North Cornwall Tractors, one of my daily tasks was to make the tea and this involved fetching milk every day from Mrs. Farmer, known as 'Pol', a lovely soul who lived in the lower Square, where Michael Heard

now lives. During the war, Pol was told "Have you heard the news Mrs Farmer, Germans are in Berlin?" she replied "Be un dear, how far is that from Kilk?" (By un = are they!).

Other businesses in Kilk included a rabbit trapper, with rabbits collected from across the area, and at least one lorry load was sent to London each week. We had a plumber (mostly lead piping in those days), a proper bakery also in Parkers Court (Hot cross buns on Good Friday ONLY), food shops (orders taken Mondays, deliveries Wednesdays), and a drapers (vast stocks of everything from bespoke tailoring to knicker elastic).

The butcher, on the same premises as today, bought animals from farms direct or through the market and they were slaughtered and 'hung' on the premises. In Penstowe Road lived our resident nurse/midwife. Incidentally, there were no houses on either side after the nurse's house just above the Grenville Rooms. The nurse had a garage on the opposite side of the road, but from there to Penstowe, 'White gates' (no longer there) was just fields! The resident midwife looked after the 'Hatches'; we also had 'Despatches' which were covered by various people acting as undertakers: carpenters, painters/decorators, wheelwrights, wagon makers in premises on East Road which are now residential – and many of these were the same people doing lots of different jobs! Certain ladies in the village would be called on in case of death to 'do the last'.

We always had a resident policeman, living in the police-owned house on the corner at Penstowe Road. Earlier I mentioned living at Rosecott which was, and still is, opposite the former police house. When I was about 4, PC Goble heard me use a swear word. He came across the road and said he would have to report it. He proceeded to take my name down in his little book and said if there was any more swearing he would have to take it further! I would like to say that it had the desired effect but that would mean lying AS WELL!

Rosecott, then known as Rose Cottage, had an attached two story annexe which, over my time there, was variously a chemist shop, fruit shop, doctor's surgery and architect's office. It was demolished and a bungalow now stands on the site. Rose Cottage also had a field to the East, which is now Rosecott Park. We had several doctors holding surgeries regularly in various private houses in the village – those were the days! Two of the main banks also set up once a week to serve individuals and businesses, again in private houses!

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Holsworthy branch of National Provincial came to the house south of the butchers and Bill Piper was chauffeur and head of security!!

We had a business operating as 'carriers' in West Street. In addition to a taxi service they had a covered lorry which took passengers to start work in Bude at 9am, it was then used to deliver coal etc. from Bude to villagers in Kilk. It was a daily service and anything required could be collected from Bude for delivery that day. The lorry was then cleaned and ready to bring passengers back to the village when they left work. No heaters, plenty of fresh air! There were two filling stations both offering full assistance filling up with petrol which cost ten shillings (50p) for four gallons, which today would be about £34. There was a heavy haulage company operating at Wayside, serving both local and long distance requirements. There were two contractors with threshing machines, one using a steam engine which my Dad drove for several years. His job was to get steam up for work to commence at 7.30am and also to move the outfit to the next farm for the next morning, VERY long days!

Life was increasingly tough, the war was on and the working men had to join Kilk's DAD'S ARMY. This meant drill and operational exercises after a long day's work often at weekends as well. I was too

young to fully appreciate the problems caused by the war but I well remember my Dad taking me to the upstairs landing at Rosecott and explaining that the red glow to the east was the Plymouth blitz.

It was not all without humour. The home guard had to man the church tower to observe shipping and the story goes that one watch used the field telephone, connected to the London Inn, to report an 'Invasion'. It was about 4.30am, just coming daylight, and the 'invaders' were hens which were digging up seeds in the London Inn garden! However, I was told that the Tower top team did see one of our ships torpedoed and watched it sink within minutes. Another sinking, a US supply vessel, provided locals with contents of its cargo which were found all along the North Cornwall coast. The rule was that Customs had to be informed but most homes suddenly had various goodies, courtesy of the Yanks (overpaid, over-sexed and over here!). I remember tins of salted peanuts, chocolate, pencils with erasers on the end and chewing gum. What I was too young to understand was that there were also condoms to support the GIs, who certainly left their mark throughout the area!! Only recently I was told that one local filled his beehives with goodies – not sure which ones! NOT ALL THE PIRATES LIVED IN PENZANCE!

More from Tony's talk will be in the May edition of the Parish News

BUDE LOOK GROUP: Ruth Asawa, 1926-2013

"Art will make people better, more highly skilled in thinking and improving whatever business or occupation one goes into. It makes a person broader." So proclaimed Ruth Asawa in 1976. Born 50 years earlier, she was a US artist hailed for her cocoon-like sculptures made from interlocking, silvery wires that hang from the ceiling and evoke womb-like forms. When lit, they create shadows, enhancing unexpected shapes from every angle.

Asawa is also remembered as one of the foremost educators in the San Francisco region, having founded the city's first public arts high school in 1982, which was renamed 'Ruth Asawa San Francisco School of the Arts' in 2010. Raised on a farm in California by immigrant Japanese parents, as a teenager, Asawa became one of the 100,000 Japanese Americans placed in internment camps after the attack on Pearl Harbour in 1941. In the camp, one of her tutors included Tom Okamoto, an animator for Walt Disney, who no doubt served as an influence for her later fine line drawings.

On her release, Asawa trained at Milwaukee State Teachers College for three years, but anti-Japanese racism prevented her from getting a job. In 1946, she enrolled at Black Mountain College in North Carolina, one of the most revolutionary arts colleges of the 20th century. Black Mountain had adopted the principles of the Bauhaus, offered painting, philosophy, mathematics and music and aimed to eliminate hierarchies between students and teachers.



Ruth Asawa with one of her sculptures

Bude Look Group meets once a month at the Parkhouse Centre, Bude.

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THE TREE BOOK GROUP – STILL LIFE BY SARAH WINMAN

In 1944, a British soldier, Ulysses Temper, and 60-year-old art historian, Evelyn Skinner, meet in a ruined wine seller of a Tuscan Villa. She has come to Italy to salvage works of art from the wreckage of the war and to relive a time when she met the novelist E.M. Forster and fell in love with an Italian maid. The impact Evelyn has on Ulysses and an event that happens shortly after their meeting shapes the path of his life and the people he meets as his story moves back and forth between Tuscany and the smog of London's east end.

It is a huge sweeping story that spans four decades, but much of it is just the stuff of life infused with natural dialogue, and it feels like you are amongst friends sharing anecdotes over a beer (or a bottle of chianti). It is a story full of beautifully drawn characters that are believable and infectious. It's a story of humour and hope. There are also the atrocities of war and even murder. The stories unfold slowly at a natural unforced pace, revealing the complexity of these characters, their lives and their families. The dialogue is sharp, witty (it has at times a macabre wit) and well-written. It is this that holds the novel together and it is at times earthy and at others poetic.

It also includes hints of the absurd, a man that can predict future events, another who has conversations with trees, and an intelligent talking parrot that can amongst other things quote Shakespeare. Some of the storylines are a little preposterous, however these moments are skilfully applied and actually work. I loved the parrot.

There are times when the story almost comes to a stop, as in real life there is nothing to move it forward except the repetition of everyday routines. However even during these lulls it never ceases to captivate.

The power of Still Life lies precisely in this triviality. It is a world of reliability and of mutuality between objects that are there, and people who are not.

Still Life is, at its core, about friendship, the building of families and relationships, of love and the many ways it can be expressed, and 'the preciousness of time'. It is an uplifting story without being overtly sugary or sentimental.

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A stylized sign for a stall. The sign is shaped like a large 'F' with a horizontal bar across the middle. On the left and right vertical bars of the 'F', the word 'STALLS' is written vertically in a serif font. The horizontal bar holds a dark rectangular sign with the text 'KILHAMPTON COFFEE & CAKES' in white. To the right of the text is a small illustration of a coffee machine. Below the dark sign, the text 'SATURDAY 1st April' is written in a bold serif font. Below that, '10.30AM - 12.00 NOON at' is written in a smaller serif font. Below that, 'METHODIST CHURCH HALL' is written in a bold serif font. Below that, 'A VERY WARM WELCOME TO ALL!' is written in a bold serif font. At the bottom, 'The Charity for April is Children's Hospice SouthWest' is written in a smaller serif font.

**KILHAMPTON
COFFEE &
CAKES**

SATURDAY 1st April

10.30AM - 12.00 NOON at

METHODIST CHURCH HALL

A VERY WARM WELCOME TO ALL!

The Charity for April is Children's Hospice SouthWest



A poster for a community lunch. At the top, the text 'KILK COMMUNITY LUNCH' is written in a bold serif font. Below that, 'Brought to you by Kilk Coffee & Cakes Team' is written in a smaller serif font. In the center, there is a circular graphic with a fork on the left, a knife on the right, and a spoon on the right. Inside the circle, the text '2 COURSE HOT MEAL FOR £6' is written in a bold serif font. Below that, 'ON' is written in a smaller serif font. Below that, 'Friday 28th April' is written in a bold serif font. Below that, 'At 12.30pm' is written in a bold serif font. Below that, 'AT' is written in a smaller serif font. Below the circular graphic, the text 'KILHAMPTON CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP' is written in a bold serif font. At the bottom, the text 'Limited numbers so please book to ensure a place contact 01288 321073 transport could be arranged' is written in a smaller serif font.

KILK COMMUNITY LUNCH

Brought to you by Kilk Coffee & Cakes Team

2 COURSE HOT MEAL FOR £6

ON

Friday 28th April

At 12.30pm

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KILHAMPTON CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

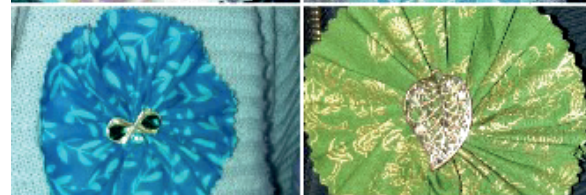
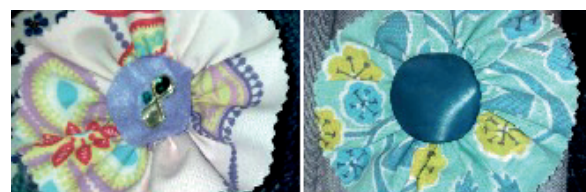
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KILK KRAFTS REPORT

For the 8th February meeting, Amanda brought in pre-packed 2 inch x 12 inch wide material, needles and cotton and a selection of embellishments to choose colours. Everyone then stitched one side of their material to pull into a circle which created a fan. This was then glued together to create a circle, with a small felt circle glued on the back, to which a brooch pin was attached. The brooch was then turned over, and everyone glued on their chosen embellishments. It was quite simple to make but looked very effective, as you can see from the photos.

We were then given couple templates to cut round on coloured card, and make into a gift box with ribbon to tie, again you can see the results from the photo. Altogether a lovely afternoon with tea and homemade cakes.

On 22nd February, Tony Davis gave a lovely talk on his memories of growing up in Kilk. For once, the audience had quite a few men in it as well as women. Tony's talk was fascinating. I have heard from a number of people who told me how much they enjoyed it, and they wished they could hear it all again! So with his kind permission, I will be reproducing his talk over 2-3 issues - part one is on pages 8-9, and I'm sure you will agree it makes great reading!



ST. JAMES THE GREAT

Our Annual Parochial Church meeting (APCM) is scheduled for Sunday April 16th (after a short service). One matter which needs to be addressed is our Electoral Roll. The list was lost during pandemic closure and whilst we have made up a new list which is on the notice board in the Church porch, it is not complete or up to date. Please check the list and advise us of any changes or incorrect entries.

It may well be that newcomers to the village may have been on the electoral roll at their previous church. We are a welcoming church and registration forms are available at the back of the Church.

Our Electoral Roll Officer is Mrs Jennie Read (Tel 321020), or speak to any member of our PCC for information.

(PCC details are on page 2)

KILK KRAFTS APRIL MEETINGS

Wednesday 12th April

Spring flowers table arrangements with Jan

Wednesday 26th April

Canvas art with Susanne and Lorna

*Venue: Methodist Chapel,
Kilkhampton*

Time: 2pm to 4.30pm

*Cost: £2 per session plus small
material costs as needed*

Any questions, contact:
Joyce (01288 321292)
or Lorna (01288 321706)



Recipe Corner with Jay Wong

Oxtail and Ale stew

One of the staple favourites which you don't often see enough. This one pot dish, perfect for slow cookers and agas, takes approximately 3 hours and it's sure to pack a punch. If oxtail isn't to your taste, try this with beef short ribs, pork shoulder or even lamb shoulder.

Picking the right ale is important. A stout will richen but also bitter the jus, so a nice pale ale or even a local cider is great. You can also substitute wine if you prefer.

Ingredients

2 kg meat of your choice, on the bone, trimmed but leave some fat on

1 onion, peeled and cut into quarters

120g of tomatoes cut in half, or a punnet of cherry tomatoes, or sun-dried tomato paste

1 whole bulb of garlic, separated into cloves, peeled but left whole

Sprig of parsley

Sprig of rosemary

1 tbs whole coriander seeds

1 litre of ale. If using cider, use 500ml beef stock and 500ml cider. If using wine, use the whole bottle

Salt and pepper to taste

Method

Preheat your oven to 130-150°C.

A nice deep pot with a lid is perfect for this. Get the pot warm and add in the meat, then slowly render off the fat on the meat. If the meat is very lean, add a little oil. Once the meat is browned, add in the onion and garlic and turn to a low heat. Cook until the onion and garlic start to brown and go mushy. Add in the coriander seeds next, cook for a few minutes to let the aroma release, then add the tomatoes. Once the tomatoes blister and go soft, this is the sign to add in the liquid or stock. Have enough to cover the meat. Do not worry if you haven't enough, simply top it up with water.

Don't add too much salt at this stage as the liquid is going to reduce down. Lay the parsley and rosemary sprigs on the top whole, put the lid on and put the dish into the oven. Cook for 1½ hours then check – if the meat is cooked but not yet tender, put it back in the oven for another 30 minutes. If it looks ready, remove the lid and cook on a high hob to reduce the liquid down. Once the liquid has reduced by about a half, take all the meat out to rest and keep warm. Then simmer the remaining liquid until it reaches a nice rich consistency, add seasoning if needed, add the meat back in and serve.

Serve with mash or good crusty bread.

KILKHAMPTON FETE COMMITTEE FETE ROYALTY

We are advertising for Fete Royalty for this year's fete, which will be on Saturday 15th July.

The positions of Fete Queen, Attendant, Flower Presenter, Cushion Bearer, Coachman and Footman are all available.

If you are interested in any of the above, please let Jennie Siddalls know on 01288 321319, or message on facebook before the end of April. More information will be posted at a later date.

Unfortunately, the response in 2022 was poor, and we are hoping for more interest this year. If we do not receive enough applications, we will sadly have to abandon this traditional and much enjoyed part of our fete.

Kilkhampston Parish Council

Report of the regular meeting held on 6th March
2023 www.kilkhampston-pc.gov.uk

Attendance: Kingsley Bryant (KB), Tim Cottle (TC), Reg Hambley (RH), Ian Heard (IH), Lee Bond (LB), Phil Sluggett (PS), Vinnie James (VJ), Keith Oven-den (KO).

Apologies: Roland Nancekivell (RN) attending Bude Network Meeting, Cornwall County Cllr Shorne Tilbey (ST).

Chairman: Clive Vanstone (Chairman)

Clerk: Hannah Collett

Good evening and welcome to all by the Chairman.

Minutes Approved by all and to be signed by the Chairman at the end of the meeting.

Adopt Code of Conduct

Declaration of Interest None

Public Speaking Session

Mr Simon Derosa here to talk on Holy Wells in the village. Mr Derosa brought documents for all to view. Stated there are potentially three Holy Wells in the village. Kespit Well, Vicky Well and Lady Well. Only found documents on Lady Well. Something there but not sure if it's Holy. Documents read through and viewed. Bidney Well by Bunnyhomes – document read through. Mr Derosa had come across archaeological documents on Kilkhampston with lots of information. Highlighted section read through. Bidney Well stated as not a Holy Well. Mr Derosa gave more information on a Well at Morwenna. Reference in book of Saints detailed. Doesn't have to be above ground it can be underground. Lady Well is described on one site as a Holy Well. The Chairman mentioned that he had spoken to Bunnyhomes and they have no knowledge of a well on site. Their team are looking into this.

Mr Derosa wanted to point out that he wasn't here to interfere with people's planning etc, just wanted the history to be kept in people's minds. The Chairman felt that Bunnyhomes will get back to us if any information found out. LB asked if the land registry would know. The Chairman told Mr Derosa that the Parish Council is planning on setting up history information and this could all be included for all the view and read. Mr Alan Hockin is setting this history group up and Mr Derosa to keep these papers until needed. Thanks to Mr Derosa by the Chairman. The Chairman pointed out that it was good to see a Parishioner presenting detailed information to the Council.

Planning Applications

1) PA22/10453 Proposal Dormer to 1st floor bedroom and extension to lounge Location Higher Stanbury Stibb Bude Cornwall Applicant Mr Graham Taplin. The Chairman mentioned where situated. Swiss style bungalow part way down the lane. RH said as described. All in favour.

2) PA23/00145 Widen existing driveway by 2 metres, replace part of existing front lawn with tarmac, drop kerb in front of entrance | Ammanford Kilkhampston Bude Cornwall EX23 9RF. RH stated this is already done. TC moved and IH seconded. All in favour.

3) PA23/01378 Section 73 application to vary condition 2 Construction of five dwellings (Phase 1) PA21/00588 Date of Decision: 05/04/2021 namely the addition of attached single garage for Plot 5 with revised elevations. Brocklands Adventure Park Kilkhampston Bude Cornwall EX23 9QW. RH stated have permission to build 5 anyway. No issues for us. RH approved and KB seconded. All in favour.

4) PA23/01324 Proposed concrete slurry tower | Stursdon Farm Coombe Valley Bude Cornwall EX23 9HU All have to do this now. KB moved and KO seconded. All in favour.

5) PA23/01086 Non-Material Amendment to application number PA21/09920 for construction of five detached dwellings (development to be phased for purposes of CIL) | Camping Site Ivyleaf Cottage Ivyleaf Hill Kilkhampston Bude Cornwall EX23 9LD The Chairman described the site. RH moved and IH seconded. All in favour.

The Chairman mentioned that apparently Kilkhampston Common is NOT an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty as mentioned in previous minutes.

Matters

1. Car park and Toilets: £113.70 taken.

2. Lamb Park (Glebe) Development: Nothing heard by Mrs H Bond. The Chairman said he went into the offices last week and asked for Mr Simon Finn to contact and sort the issues. Nothing heard back to the Chairman. RH asked if we can make an appointment with Mr Finn face to face, LB would ask Mrs Bond to attend also. LB to Speak to Mrs Bond. The Chairman has been into the offices 3 times on this delayed matter.

3. Lamb Park play area: VJ mentioned that lady at Outdoor Play People said they were happy to look at prices and payment options. TK Play not replying to VJ at all now. RH took the gentleman's number and to chase.

4. King Charles III Coronation: The Chairman began by saying he has looked into mugs for the children of the village. There is a firm in Kilkhampston that can do nice coronation mugs at approximately £5 each. The Chairman asked if we want to go ahead with these. Can get presentation boxes also but the company advised not really necessary. Need approximately 200-300. No problem with timings etc. TC proposed 250 be ordered. KB to sort. VJ to hand out at school.

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The Chairman asked what else we do in acknowledgment of this event? RH mentioned Mr Robert French has offered to put on a cold lunch buffet on the Sunday. Catering for maybe the older generations. Also have Saturday and Monday to be used as days to celebrate in some way. This would be a Parish Council event run by Mr French. IH said could we do two sittings. RH said the New Inn are doing something also. The Chairman asked if we should sell tickets? RH felt we would leave the running decisions to Mr French. The Chairman mentioned his concern that it may not cater for as many as we would like.

The Chairman said he liked RN's suggestion last month of an organised walk. Maybe from Kilkhampton to Duckpool, maybe with BBQ. TC felt a good idea – weather permitting. VJ said we could do this on the Saturday. IH mentioned possibility of a hog roast on the Saturday with some music? All these events would cater for everyone. VJ said these would mean we could organise the Saturday events. TC felt we should hold it at Lamb Park. The actual coronation is on the Saturday – per KB. Timings need to be checked.

The Chairman reiterated we have the lunch on the Sunday, mugs to hand to children and then organise something else. RH to get more information for the next meeting on the final details for the lunch. TC asked if we plan a tree also? KO asked if we also do cream tea before walk and hog roast? TC felt we could section the day up with certain groups doing different tasks. The Chairman felt we could just have some music playing – not necessarily a band. IH and TC to organise/discuss other sections of Saturday. Licence not a problem. Needs to all be organised by next meeting. IH felt this gives something to everyone.

5. Defibrillator at MOT station: VJ stated defibrillator has arrived. KO said he can sort the installation. Pads are the same as the other defibrillators. Clerk to ask Dutchy to remove their defibrillator.

6. Holy Wells: Dealt with previously at public speaking and thanks again to Mr Derosa for giving a very good detailed talk.

7. Website: The Chairman stated this will be up and running before the next meeting. Everyone connected with the Parish can put details of business on there. Lots of information pages etc. Someone needs to admin it.

Reports Footpaths: PS mentioned changes at Penstowe/Pentire. Access has changed. Map shows line with footpath going through. PS said the path used to go beyond the access. Now not possible if go there. The Chairman said there is no public access through there. Felt if something was wrong it would be put right.

KB mentioned that Bunnyhomes have put a single tarmac track down at Aldercombe Lane. The Chairman felt they must only be doing things they are meant to with regards to the plans. TC said they have been told if nothing put there, farm owners cows would be able to get through. Pathway has to be wide enough for wheelchairs etc.

Playing Fields and Lamb Park: The Chairman said they have received a quote for the work at Lamb Park. To be organised as required. An email had been received from Classic Builders stating they are tendering for work at the school and were wanting to request renting some space temporarily for parking spaces and a building for 24 weeks on Lamb Park. Willing to pay for the space and offered to sponsor a new kit if successful. The Chairman suggested we email back and say yes we can accommodate they if they are successful in their tender and will look at costs etc and meet at a relevant time. Interested in their proposal and take it from there if successful.

School: LB said there is a Governors meeting on Thursday.

Grenville Rooms: Invoice in from A P Cottle for some of works required.

Month's work Read through and approved by all.

Members TC, IH, PS, LB, VJ, RH – Nothing.

KO asked what's happening with the grass on the corner by Lamb Park. IH said it has been seeded.

KB mentioned that there had been a burglary at the Church. Some items and cash were taken.

The Chairman mentioned that some of the Sanctuary homes still have no hot water or heating since December. Sanctuary emailed and said it was on their maintenance list. VJ said one family had no hot water or heating since middle of last year and are having to live in one room as it is so bad around the house. Clerk to email again stating Parishioners been in contact again and if this continues there will be health issues.

An email had been received regarding a hedge at St Peters asking whose it was. RH asked who lives there. The Chairman will forward the relevant contact details to the clerk – write to explain had complaints regarding the hedge and if this could be looked into we would appreciate it.

Correspondence Off street parking order letter from Cornwall Council received. Read through by the Chairman.

Finance Read through by Chairman. Invoices to be paid: £108.00 Acuiti (Broadband); £566.40 A P Cottle; £1,878.00 Jay's Aim; £90.00 S Gifford. All in favour to be paid.

Date of next regular meeting: 3rd April 2023, Grenville Rooms, 7.30pm.

Thanks to all by Chairman and declared the meeting closed.

KILKHAMPTON JUNIOR AND INFANTS SCHOOL

Although this article will reach you via the Village News just before Easter, I am writing this looking out at leaden March skies with a warning of snow just behind us. Fortunately, the snow in Kilkhampston came to nothing and the school remained open as normal.

It has been a busy month since I last wrote to you and I have shared lots of pictures of what has been going on at the school. The spring term, although short, is always packed with lots of activity.

The last half-term began with children from Year Five and Six (the oldest children in the school) visiting the Wildwood Park at Escott near Ottery Saint Mary. The children spent the day in a reconstruction of an Anglo-Saxon village to give them some understanding of what times were like more than a thousand years ago as this term they are studying the struggle between King Alfred the Great and the Vikings. Whilst at Escott, the children learnt how to turn wood, mint an Anglo-Saxon penny, carve runes and a lot more.

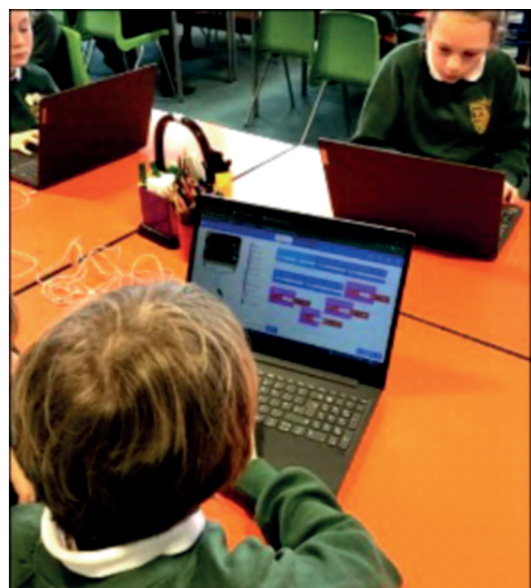
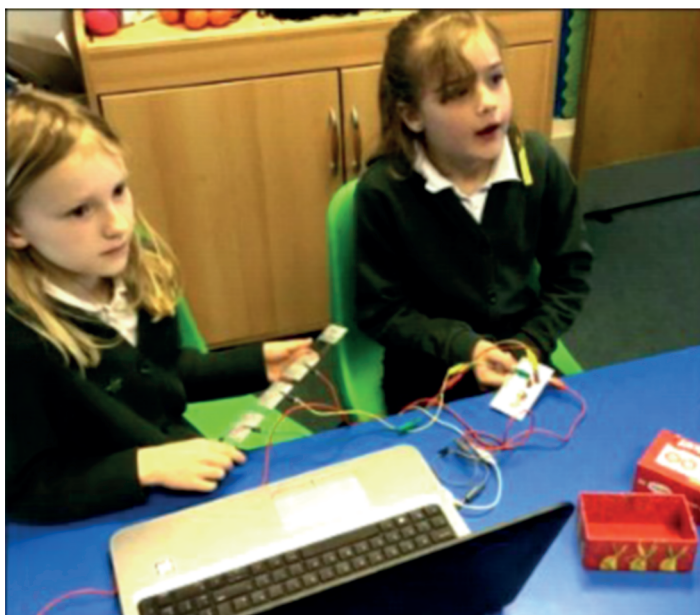
Later that week all of the children in Key Stage Two (the juniors) took part in digital music workshops organised by our music subject leader, Miss Stevens. The children programmed computers using code to make and perform music.

Whilst on the subject of music, our younger children in Reception and Key Stage One have begun using glockenspiels to perform, improvise and compose.

*Photos below:
Digital Music workshops,
children programming
computers to make music*



Above and below: children in Sandymouth class (Reception) making and tasting pancakes on Pancake Day



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Children from Year Five and Six learning how to make a handle for a tool out of wood



Year Six girls at Escott Anglo-Saxon village

Below: World Book Day

The beginning of March saw us celebrate World Book Day. The children all came into school dressed as their favourite character from a book with costumes as diverse as Zog the Dragon to the Three Little Pigs to Bilbo Baggins! The day enabled us to really celebrate reading with book quizzes in Key Stage One and Key Stage Two and a book fair the day after.

Due to Saint Piran's Day falling on a Sunday this year, we had our celebrations the day after. Our chef Debbie cooked us pasties and hevva cake and we all learnt about Saint Piran and celebrated what is special about Cornwall. We finished our assembly by singing Trelawny!

The upcoming month before I write to you again promises to be no-less busy. Parents evenings are happening as well as Red Nose Day, for which the School Council are organising a talent show, Kilk's Got Talent! Add to that school trips for our Year Three and Four children to a Farm and Country day at the county showground and Key Stage One visiting Summerleaze beach to learn about how to care for our seas as well as whole-school science celebration day, we have some very busy weeks ahead of us. I look forward to reporting on it in next month's news.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy Easter,

Michael Watson, Head Teacher

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