



KILKHAMPTON PARISH NEWS

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NOT TO BE MISSED!

The fete is drawing near - see all the information, from a plea for help and donations for the fete teas, plus a taster of events and attractions on the day!

Plus a creepy story of coincidences - or not? Relating to St James Church vault

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And a quick reminder:

The next issue will be a double issue for July and August, so please make sure your events and reports are sent in with time to spare!

And you can view this edition and all the photos online in colour at www.kilkhampton.news

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EDITORIAL



Dydh da, pubonan! Hello, everyone!

I hope you all managed to enjoy some of the sunny spells we experienced in late April and May. Mike and I managed to catch the first one just right - 4 nights away in our van, visiting Carlyon Bay and then Looe, it was a very chilled-out time doing nothing much. Just what we both needed!

It's so hit and miss booking holidays in the UK, as we just can't rely on the weather. The Easter holidays were so dreadful, it was a shame for all

the holidaymakers, and I know some businesses and campsites just didn't bother to open! This edition should drop through your letterboxes in half-term week, who knows if that will be better?

But there is lots to look forward to as always, especially Kilk fete, back to Jimmy's Day this year. There are more volunteers to join the committee and help out this year, which is good, it's always hard for people to find the time to commit. And as you can see below, there is a plea for edible contributions to the fete teas, and help on the day. Sylvia Hambley has done such a good job of being the 'front person' for the teas for so many years, thank you so much Sylvia from all the village, and it's good to see Hannah and Sally are taking up the reins this year. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Until next month, dha weles...

Jill

WANTED FOR FETE TEAS

We are asking for contributions for the teas at Kilkhampton Fete on Saturday July 20th. If anyone is able to supply cakes, sandwiches, quiches, sausage rolls, we would be very grateful for them.

For more information, offers of contributions or help on the day, please ring **Hannah Metherell on 07812 643210 or Sally Strong on 01288 321332**

Thank You!

ST JAMES CHURCH FLOODLIGHTING SPONSORSHIP

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'.

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Kilkhampton Church Services

St James Church

Sunday 2nd June: Trinity 1 (Green)

11am Holy Communion with Jane

Welcomers: Rachel and Rita. Reading: Deuteronomy 5; 12-15; Peter.

Sunday 9th June: Trinity 2 (Green)

11am Morning Worship with Hilbre

Welcomers: Jennie and Joyce. Reading: Genesis 3; 8-15; Kevin.

Sunday 16th June: Trinity 3 (Green)

11am Holy Communion with Jane

Welcomers: Margaret and Lynn. Reading: Ezekiel 17; 122-end; Tony.

Sunday 23rd June: Trinity 4 (Green)

11am Morning Worship with Ian

Welcomers: Myra and Tracey. Reading: Job 38; 1-11; Hilbre.

Sunday 30th June: Trinity 5 (Green)

11am Morning Worship with Reverend Richard

Welcomers: Rachel and Rita. Reading: Wisdom 1; 13-15; Gillian.

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 June	Rev. Richard Ward-Smith	Sue Brooks	Joy Moore
9th June	Mr. Barry Bryne	Brenda Dunstan	Sandra Holmes
16th June	Rev. Joy Wilson	Fiona Cleave	Monica Heywood
23rd June	Rev. Simon Leigh	Sue Joyner	Sue Joyner
30th June	Mr. Kevin Hogarth	Joan Sillifant	Debbie Dawber

FROM REV RICHARD

There are two things which have been standing out foremost in my mind lately – the rainy weather and road works. We Kilk people know about the first, so no comment. But digging up the roads and traffic lights are not so common. At a red, you stop! And you have time to think (especially if it is a four-way light).

Life's a bit like journeying along a road. We run into potholes (especially if you are going to Bradworthy). Sometimes we are diverted off course by someone or something or other. We frequently look in the mirror and remember what is behind or what we have left? If we want to arrive anywhere and not get into difficulties, we follow the signs and stick to the law and the Highway Code.

What drives us along and fuels our motors comes from the earth somewhere. And there are the people who travel alongside us, family and friends. Those we pass: the people on the roadside, the people in shops and workplaces, the children in schools and homes and churches. They are all on their own journeys too.

Better go now, someone is hooting, the green light is on and my journey starts again. But it has been nice to reflect on my pilgrimage through life. As the sign says, a sort of 'Work in progress.'

Almost like an act of prayer.

Rev Richard 3rd May 2024

ALBERT'S MONTHLY MESSAGE

Well, here we are again, nearly half the way through 2024. It only seems like yesterday that we were welcoming in the new year, or is that just me getting old? Time seems to just fly by or is it that we seem to pack more into our lives?

There was a time that if you wanted to make a phone call you went to the nearest phone box to make it. Now we talk to each other while we drive our car! I know I'm getting old but in the day in which we live with the increasing pace of life with more anti-depressants being consumed than ever before; with the suicide rate going up not down; with mental illness on the increase as more and more people can't cope, more and more people are looking at church in a different way as church numbers are, in some cases, on the increase as people walk in off the street, with no church background saying my life is empty, and more and more people discovering that a relationship with God fills that emptiness because with that relationship with God there is purpose, not emptiness; there is fulfilment, not despair because Jesus said "I have come to give you life in all its fullness and completeness, a life that is overflowing". So why not give church another look, or even sit in on a service. There are different kinds of worship so something to suit everyone and one that is just right for you.

Every Blessing to you all. .Albert Sloman, Pastor
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KILK COMMUNITY LUNCH

Brought to you by Kilk Coffee & Cakes Team

2 COURSE HOT MEAL FOR £6

ON

Friday 28th June

At 12.30 pm

AT

THE GRENVILLE ROOMS

Limited numbers so please book
to ensure a place
contact 01288 321073

transport could be arranged



The sign is for a stall at the Methodist Church Hall. It features a central black sign with white text and a coffee pot icon. The sign is flanked by vertical text 'STALLS' on both sides. The event details are listed below the sign.

**KILKHAMPTON
COFFEE &
CAKES**

SATURDAY 1st June
10.30AM - 12.00 NOON at
METHODIST CHURCH HALL

A VERY WARM WELCOME TO ALL!

The Charity for June is R.N.L.I.

St James Church Floodlighting Sponsors June 2024

RICHARD JOHN SMITH

Remembering with love my husband who passed away on 7th June 2017 after bravely battling with a brain tumour. Missed so much every single day.
Janet xx

REG CORNISH

Remembering our Father, Granddad and Brother, Reg Cornish on his birthday 15th June, and who passed away on Fathers' Day on 17th June 1990.
Always remembered.
Stewart, Jean, Sheila, Paul, Annette, Alan and families xxx

LEWIS BABB

Loving wishes for our dear Dad on Fathers' Day, and Happy Birthday for the 24th June.
We think and speak of you often.
With love from
Ann, John, Beryl, and all the now large family. xxx

HAPPY JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Nikitta on 4th June, Great Grandson Oakley and special wishes to Jamie who celebrates his 21st on 28th June.
Love Nannie/Granny Annie xxx
Not forgetting cousin Robert on 30 June!

BARRIE & MOLLY ROSE – A BIG THANK YOU

We would like to thank very sincerely the kind group of people who came to Barrie's aid when he had a mishap near North Close on Monday 29th April. One of them rang for an ambulance immediately and, with the others, stayed with him keeping him warm and cheering him up until the ambulance came. Their support was invaluable. The ambulance crew decided Barrie could come home and saw him settled comfortably. A doctor came in the afternoon and examined him, and now he is having various tests done. The kindness of the strangers (who seemed to know him as Barrie) was overwhelming, and we hope that sometime we may meet them in happier circumstances and thank them personally.
Long live caring Kilkhampton!

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

KILK KRAFTS JUNE MEETINGS

Wednesday 12th June: Watercolour painting with Lorna

Wednesday 26th June: Bottle tops and pebble painting

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)

KILK KRAFTS REPORT

We're always a month behind with our reporting, as the sessions for the last month haven't all been completed by the time the Parish News comes out. So, for April, the first meeting on April 10th was 'Yvonne with a session on Chocolate Treats'.



Left and above: Yvonne showing the cakes from her 'chocolate treats' session

As usual, the session was well attended, with 24 members coming to see Yvonne, ably assisted by Joyce, make delicious tiffin as well as toffee and marshmallow squares. Yvonne started by giving a short talk on the origins of chocolate, and how it developed from a hot drink to the solid chocolate bars we have today, then went on to demonstrate the recipes – so simple but so good. Yvonne had the foresight to make some earlier, so the group were able to sample them with their tea and coffee. A very enjoyable afternoon.

The topic for the Kilk Crafts session on the 24th April was 'flower fairies', and was very well attended, with 3 new people joining the group. Susanne had prepared packets of the beads, flowers, wire etc that were needed for this activity. It must have taken her hours, and was very much appreciated by the KK members. The instructions were given of how to thread the beads onto the wire, starting with the legs and working upwards, adding parts of the 'flower' to make the skirt, body and hair, before threading the wire back down and securing it. It all seemed very simple and it was really, just a little delicate, taking time and patience. A key chain ring swivel catch was added so the fairies were easy to hang once completed. Susanne had to help most of the members, out but gradually the Flower Fairies started to take shape and finally the wings were glued on (for some) using a hot glue gun. They all looked lovely once finished. Many thanks to Susanne for showing the group another craft-making skill.



KILKHAMPTON JUNIOR AND INFANTS SCHOOL

I am writing this article in mid-May, with sun streaming in through the office windows. It has been a long and wet winter but it is nice to finally see some sunshine. As a result, the children have again been able to use the school field and sports have moved away from rugby and football towards athletics, rounders, crickets and tennis.



Year Six celebrating the end of their SATs tests



A Year Six pupil making a waistcoat they have designed

The school actively took part in the Bude Literary Festival. We welcomed three authors over the course of a week. Sandymouth and Northcott class had a visit from the author of 'Nurdle,' Claire Vowell. Duckpool class were visited by the author of 'Yawnicorn,' Emily Powell. Finally, at the end of the week, the whole school enjoyed a visit by the author and illustrator of the Adventuremice series of books, Philip Reeve and Sarah McIntyre. The children enjoyed a session where they saw the process of a book being written and illustrated.



Claire Vowell, author of Nurdle, visits Reception and Year One

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Children in Year One and Year Two have been off on field trips around the village to look at changes to the local environment and evidence of human and physical features. Meanwhile, children in Year Five and Six have taken part in Budehaven's Born to Win festival with the largest number of children ever from the school being selected for the Born to Win academy held every Monday at the school.



Authors Phillip Reeve and Sarah McIntyre visit the school as part of the Bude Literary Festival

As we move into June, children from our youngest classes will be visiting Bridge Mill near Bridgerule whilst our oldest pupils will go on a residential trip to Beam House PGL centre near Great Torrington. The children will be able to surf, climb and do many different activities whilst there.

Later on we will be looking forward to meeting our new reception pupils, whose parents have now had their places confirmed. Our Year Six pupils will be visiting their new secondary schools and, once we are in July, we will be looking at the school summer fayre, sports day and the activities around the end of a school year, I will be back in touch in the July edition for the final news of the school year,

Michael Watson, Head Teacher Tel 01288 321259 head@kilkhampton.cornwall.sch.uk

Kilkhampton can you help us? (it won't cost you a penny!)

As Kilkhampton Junior and Infant School PTA, we are signed up to www.easyfundraising.org.uk so whenever you shop online the school benefits from a percentage of your spend at no extra cost to you. A huge number of major retailers participate in this so as a community we could raise valuable funds to go towards our children and their school if we all signed up (honestly, it is easy).

We have currently raised over £830! And every little helps so if you are a shopaholic, do your weekly grocery shop online or are making a large purchase, eg an electrical item, insurance or even a holiday please sign up to this first!

We'd be really grateful – ***Thank You.***



K.A.T.S. REVIVAL

We would like to invite any past, current or future members to a social 'get-together' to discuss the future of K.A.T.S.

Would you like to be involved with a production this year?

We will need cast and crew members including backstage, wardrobe and technical support.

If this is something you would be interested in – please come along to **The New Inn on Friday 7th June at 7pm** for buffet food and drinks.

Let's get this show on the road –
ALL WELCOME!

KILKHAMPTON FETE 2024

THIS YEAR'S FETE WILL BE ON

SATURDAY 20th JULY 2024

HERE ARE SOME OF THE ATTRACTIONS:

FREE FACE PAINTING *BALLOON MAN STU*

CHILDREN'S GAMES* *BOUNCY CASTLES

CRAFT TENT* *SIDESHOWS

FOOD STALLS - TEAS - LICENSED BAR

LIVE MUSIC UNTIL LATE

PLEASE COME ALONG AND SUPPORT

THE VILLAGE FETE

***WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING
YOU THERE***

**TREE BOOK GROUP: Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine
*by Gail Honeyman***

Eleanor Oliphant has good days, bad days and better days. Her life is a strictly timetabled routine – work with a Meal Deal and cryptic crossword at lunchtime, home for pesto, pasta and The Archers, weekends starting with a Margherita pizza washed down with wine and litres of vodka. A routine to combat loneliness and being alone. A routine that is begging to be broken.

Narrated in the first person, Eleanor's life story slowly unfolds with hints to the mystery and darkness shrouding her past that are present from the start of the book.

Funny and sad, it painfully peels back the layers that Eleanor has carefully encased herself in, stuck down as firmly as her sensible, Velcro-fastening shoes.

Acts of kindness, an ill-conceived infatuation and an unexpected friendship cause Eleanor to realise that she isn't the guilty, hopeless and unworthy social outcast she believes herself to be, but somebody people genuinely admire, respect and care about.

I loved seeing the world through Eleanor's eyes, her spin on nail bars, clothes shopping, death metal gigs and a Hollywood bikini wax. Her specialness and otherness is endearing and engaging, her lack of an off-filter absolutely hysterical at times.

Above all be kind - to yourself and others.

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Kilkhampton Parish Council

Report of the AGM and regular meeting held on
13 May 2024 www.kilkhampton-pc.gov.uk

Attendance: Kingsley Bryant (KB), Reg Hambley (RH), Tim Cottle (TC), Lee Bond (LB), Keith Ovenden (KO), Vinnie James (VJ), Joanne Timmins (JT).

Apologies: Ian Heard (IH), Phil Sluggett (PS), Cornwall Cllr Shorne Tilbey (ST).

Chairman: Clive Vanstone (CV)

Clerk: Hannah Collett

Good evening to all by the Chairman.

The Chairman began by stepping aside for the Vice Chairman to take over proceedings and request for nominations for the Chairman position. RH nominated Cllr Clive Vanstone to continue as Chairman. TC seconded and all in favour. CV accepted.

Chairman Cllr Vanstone returned to the chair. The Chairman asked for nominations for the Vice Chairman position. TC proposed Cllr Kingsley Bryant to continue as Vice Chairman. VJ seconded and all in favour. KB accepted.

Election of Committees Roles Details talked through regarding committees and their role commitments. The Chairman requested someone to take on the responsibility of promoting the website. JT to deal with looking into and liaising between businesses and Tom Westlake to get more information onto the website and become the official one for Kilkhampton Parish. Wanting our website to be dominate over the similar one that is out there currently.

Elected as below:

Lamb Park Trust Committee: CV, TC, RH, IH

School Representative: LB

Footpath Committee: PS, IH

Transport and Traffic Committee: RH, KB, TC, KO

Grenville Rooms: RH, IH, CV

Solar Farm: CV, TC, RH

Bude & Camelford Community Area Partnership (CAP): JT, LB

Website advisor and Liaison officer: JT

Planning Liaison Officer: RH

TC proposed the above committees and KB seconded. All in favour. The Chairman informed he will give his annual report at the next meeting. Note to all that there are only 12 months left of this elected Parish Council as new elections will take place next year. AGM completed and moved onto the Regular Meeting.

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

Adopt Code of Conduct

Declaration of Interest None

Public Speaking Session No-one here

Planning Applications

1. PA24/02430 Change of use of part

commercial ground floor area to residential flat, Penstowe Holiday Village Penstowe Park Kilkhampton Bude Cornwall EX23 9QY. The Chairman talked about the location of this in the building itself. RH reiterated where this was. Is in the Old Manor. Doesn't alter the external appearance of the building. RH didn't feel we had any grounds to refuse. KO asked if changing use from commercial shouldn't we use the same point as other plans where we have refused? LB said there is a difference between commercial and retail. The Chairman felt still ok to approve. LB proposed and KB seconded. All in favour of approval.

2. PA24/01498 Amended scheme for the change of use of Fellowship Hall to two dwellings approved under PA23/07236 - namely to reposition parking and adjust red line site area. Kilkhampton Christian Fellowship Kilkhampton Bude Cornwall EX23 9QN. Change to off-street parking. RH talked through. Technicality issue. No issues. KO proposed and VJ seconded. All in favour of approval.

3. PA24/02211 Use of land for the siting of 34 holiday lodges (technically static caravans as defined under the 1960 Caravans Act) and associated decking, infrastructure and landscaping, in place of permanently-sited accommodation pods and statics for sale, Pentire Coastal Holiday Park Stibb Road Stibb Bude Cornwall. RH talked through. RH was very impressed with how they have set up so far. Felt they are making it very pleasing for all. TC moved and KB seconded. All in favour.

4. PA24/02747 Reserved matters application following outline approval PA17/06153 dated 30.08.2018 for 25no dwellings including appearance, landscaping, layout and scale without complying with condition 1 of decision PA21/07682 dated 03.03.2022 without compliance with Condition 1 of Decision Notice PA22/07458 dated 3rd March 2023. Land East Of Rosecott Park Rosecott Park Kilkhampton Bude Cornwall EX23 9QG. Felt this is what they had presented to us previously. RH gave details including information on previous applications. Discussed in detail.

5. PA24/02761 Proposed extension to the extraction area of Pigsdon Quarry into two fields to the west of the existing operational area; use of three fields to the west of Lopthorne Lane for the placement of overburden; and construction of a landscaping/noise screening bund in a field to the north of the proposed extension area. Proposals also include the translocation of two hedgerows and final restoration of the Quarry to an area of varied habitat provision. Pigsdon Quarry Road From The County Boundary To The A39 Between Old Kilkhampton Road And Stone Hill Bude EX23 9LQ. RH briefed

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and KO also talked through in detail, as he had been to site. No issues. RH proposed and LB seconded. All in favour of approval.

6. PA24/01045 Sub-division of existing 4 bedroom cottage to form 1x one bedroom dwelling and 1x 3 bedroom dwelling with small single storey extension to rear of the one bedroom dwelling. Drawings shown and discussed in detail. The Changes are much more in keeping. KB moved and VJ seconded. All in favour of approval.

7. PA24/01090 Listed building consent for the sub-division of existing 4 bedroom cottage to form 1x one bedroom dwelling and 1x 3 bedroom dwelling with small single storey extension to rear of the one bedroom dwelling. Discussed in above application. All in favour.

RH brought to attention an update on Gilletts Chippy – we had been asked by the planners to agree with their recommendations. We chose to stay with our original decision initially of disagreeing. Since talking to the planners in detail the Parish Council agreed the “agree to disagree” with the planners’ decision. Since the original plan the front of the shop will now remain the same.

Certificate of Lawfulness

RH talked through our views. The Chairman felt it had meant that someone could remain in a residence without being removed, but the tie would still remain on the property. RH mentioned that it doesn’t quite work as we had thought. It is not the person living in the property – it is on the property itself. The tie would have been put on when the property was built. If someone lives there for more than 10 years, they are then entitled to apply to lift any condition on the property through a certificate of lawfulness. KO reiterated that someone can live in a property without complying and then they can apply for the condition to be lifted.

Matters

1. Car park and Toilets: £128.60. No other issues
2. Lamb Park Play area and budgeting: The chairman asked about the plans with the playpark. VJ stated they do have plans. Need to find out what funding we are able to get etc. The Chairman felt we needed to see what we could get done for around the £10-15K mark and can we get a solar application in October. Need to earmark a figure for the future. LB mentioned the child seats on the swing have screws coming through them and are breaking. VJ to check. The Chairman and VJ talked through plans and ideas. VJ to give more detailed report at next meeting. The Chairman felt we really need to think about how much we may get and have plans rolling.
3. Annual Accounts: Viewed and all approved.
4. Policies: The Chairman talked through our policies, one of which was to not approve any

applications that involve businesses being changed to residential. Unfortunately we just can’t enforce this type of policy anymore. We don’t have the legal power to enforce it. KO said that times have changed and circumstances too. The Chairman felt we needed to remove this policy. The policy is no longer legally enforceable and is outdated. All in agreement. The other policy we have is a No Donations policy. This policy we can still enforce.

5. Clerks Wage: The Clerk was asked to leave the room. The Councillors discussed and the Clerk returned. The Parish Council agreed on a 10% increase in the Clerks salary. Thanks very much to all by the Clerk.

6. Other matters arising from the minutes: None

Reports

Footpaths: Nothing

Playing Fields and Lamb Park: RH felt an AGM was needed. To be held Monday 20th May at 7pm at Lamb Park.

School: Governors meeting to be held on Thursday. Report given by LB.

Grenville Rooms: TC said there are leaks to be dealt with. TC to sort. Needs to be done ASAP. Water heater sorted already.

Month’s work Read through and approved by all.

Members

VJ – North Close bus stop needs cleaning.

KO – Spoken to a policeman and mentioned the gas canisters that had been found at Lamb Park. They will be making a note. Does call in when on shift to check all ok.

RH – One of the residents by Lamb Park has mentioned that lots of rubbish is being thrown over into their garden.

LB, JT, TC, KB – Nothing.

Clerk to speak to Oliver Jones regarding the manhole by Gilbert and Vanstone that still hasn’t been dealt with. The Chairman said Cormac are also aware of this.

The Chairman mentioned a meeting that had been held with Oliver Jones regarding works and alterations suggested. Discussed in great detail. Clerk to email Oliver Jones to also stipulate the railings are to remain at Lamb Park.

Correspondence None

Finance Read through by Chairman. Invoices to be paid: £108.00 S Gifford; £46.73 Bridgmans; £10.19 Bridgmans; £18.29 Bridgmans; £347.78 Bridgmans; £292.07 N M Technical; £600.00 Cllr Vanstone; £1,100.00 Kilk PCC; £500.00 Kilk Methodist Church; £30.00 J Croxton; £2,300.00 Ian Cornish; £155.70 Face Value Accountancy; £354.00 A P Cottle. All in favour to be paid.

Date of next regular meeting: 10th June 2024, 7.30pm. Grenville Rooms. Thanks to all by the Chairman and declared the meeting closed.

BUDE LOOK GROUP

Our focus this month was on **Tracey Emin** and **Sarah Lucas**.

Both were YBAs – the Young British Artists movement formed in the 1970s. They even shared a shop in a (then) run-down area of Shoreditch to sell their work.

Tracey Emin

Everyone in the group remembered when Emin was nominated for the Turner prize with *My Bed*, but we had not recognised its significance. It was an expression of the disgust Emin felt when she woke from a complete breakdown and saw the state that her life had become. It represented a turning point in her life.



Tracey Emin with her sculpture: 'I Lay Here For You', 2022



Part of 'My Bed', 1999, Tracey Emin

Emin has experienced many tough times including cancer and insomnia, and she pours her emotions into her art and hopes that many will identify with her work. She is now Professor of Drawing at the Royal Academy and lectures all over the world. She works across media including needlework and sculpture, drawing, video and installation, photography, and painting.

Sarah Lucas

Sarah Lucas uses ordinary objects in unexpected ways. She particularly likes stuffing tights to create sculptures that challenge attitudes to class, gender and stereotypes. She breaks boundaries with satirical humour and daring.



'Oops', 2019, Sarah Lucas

Sarah now exhibits in National Galleries all over the world. Lucas made her early work from cheap materials that she found, but nowadays the chairs on which the figures sit are custom made, and her sculptures could be cast in bronze.



'Cool Chick Baby', 2021, Sarah Lucas

Sarah Lucas made us all smile.

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A mystery solved – perhaps?

A series of coincidences prompted me to put this article together in 2013 – it has taken a while to reach you all! It will be of interest to old Kilkhamptonians and, hopefully, to everyone who takes an interest in our rich local history.

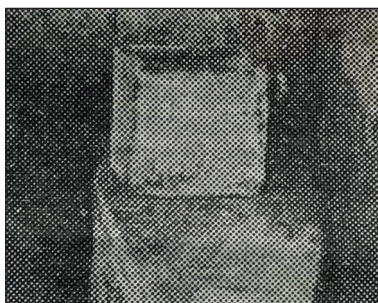
Many of you will remember that outside the east end of St James Church there is a sealed vault, known as the Grenville vault. The Grenville family resided at Stowe and were staunch royalists over very many years and, notably, at the time of the battle of Lansdown, where Sir Bevil Grenville lost his life on 5th July 1643.

The vault, which invoked much curiosity, had been resealed in 1820, allegedly, and was not reopened until 1920 when it was flooded. In 1990, due to a freak accident when the church roof was replaced, a roll of lead was dropped onto the slab covering the vault and it was broken, exposing the vault and its contents.

The matter was widely publicised in the local press, and a summary of part of an article in the North Devon Journal is on this page. The ‘mystery’ is the small lead ‘coffin’, which still lies in the resealed vault.



Photograph of vault with 6 average-sized coffins and one small cube - top right of photograph



Close-up view of the cube

Article in North Devon Journal, Thursday March 1st 1990

‘A trip back into the noble past’

The article tells the story of one of the workmen falling into the vault when the slab broke, and finding 7 coffins, including that of Sir Bevil Grenville. Six of the seven coffins were average size, but the seventh was small and cube-shaped. It is not known who or what is in the cube.

78 year old Ned Cleave was one of the villagers who visited the vault whilst it was open. He has made a close study of the Grenville family, and had a theory about the cube which is stated in the article: “It is too small for a child, but it could be either a head, or even a heart. It was very costly in those days to bring a body back home from the battlefield for burial, especially when it was miles away, so just part was returned”.

So, to my story. In 2011, I was given a very old tattered book by a friend who found it in Manchester and thought it would be of interest as it related to the author’s travels in Devon and Cornwall, probably in the late 1800s. It is indeed a very interesting book, and, having read about the journey from Lyme Regis, down the south coast and up the north, discounting Bude (of no account!). Stratton occupies a whole chapter with much reference to the Tree Inn, formerly known as the Manor House, home of Anthony Payne, the Cornish Giant, who was the manservant of Sir Bevil Grenville.

As previously mentioned, Sir Bevil Grenville was killed at the battle of Lansdown with Anthony Payne in attendance, and there is reference to a letter written by the devastated servant to Sir Bevil’s widow, in which he conveys the sad news of his master’s demise. In the letter he writes ‘I am coming down with the mournfullest burden that ever a poor servant did bear, to bring the great heart that is cold to Kilkhampton vault’.

My copy of the book has handwritten on the flyleaf ‘Charles F Lyne-Dixon (from the Rev W Hewelt) on the occasion of his marriage July 5th 1906’. Another coincidence – 263rd anniversary of the battle and Sir Bevil’s death.

Maybe all of this will be thought-provoking and I would like to know the whereabouts of the letter, which is fully reproduced in the book. Any comments?

Tony Davis

Editor’s note:

The newspaper article and photographs, dated 1990, are the property of the North Devon Journal.

Apologies for the poor quality of the photographs taken from the article.

Fundraising for 'Walk the Walk'

In the April edition of the Parish News, we advertised Gill Gilbert's fundraiser event in Kilk, which was a tea, coffee and cakes morning on 27th April. Gill was fundraising for her 'Moonwalk' with her friend Yvonne Knowles from Woodford. Together, Yvonne and Gill were team 'Heart and Sole'.

The Moonwalk was overnight in London on 18th to 19th May. When anyone does the walk, there is a choice of doing either a 'half moon' (half the distance) or a 'full moon' which is the full length of a marathon, 26.2 miles, but people have to walk – running is not allowed. Anyone who knows either Yvonne or Gill will guess that they didn't take the easier option!



Just a sample of the cakes and biscuits on offer at the fundraiser - they were all amazing!

*Right:
Yvonne and Gill
wearing their charity
t-shirts and hats*



The response to the fundraiser advert was amazing. So many people offered to donate homemade cakes and biscuits, raffle prizes were donated beforehand and also on the day, help was provided by family and friends, and people were extremely generous with their donations and their purchase of raffle tickets. The event was attended by almost 70 people, plus many people who weren't able to attend still gave donations. The total raised from this event alone, from £155 for raffle tickets and £430 donations, was an incredible £585.

Gill and Yvonne would like to thank everyone who contributed and helped on the day, and thanks too to the village businesses that donated raffle prizes: Gilbert and Vanstone, Spar, Pizza Ape, Kernowek Bevvies, Orchard View and Moore's. And of course the REALLY BIG THANKYOU goes to all of those who came along and helped Gill and Yvonne to raise their charity funds.

Here is Yvonne and Gill's account of their walk:

Oh what a night!!!

Yvonne and Gill are so pleased and relieved to say they completed the 26th London Moonwalk, 18th to 19th May 2024, in 8 hours and 8 minutes. Congratulations to Mike Carpenter for guessing the closest time!

The event was attended by nearly 5000 walkers, plus there were so many volunteers!



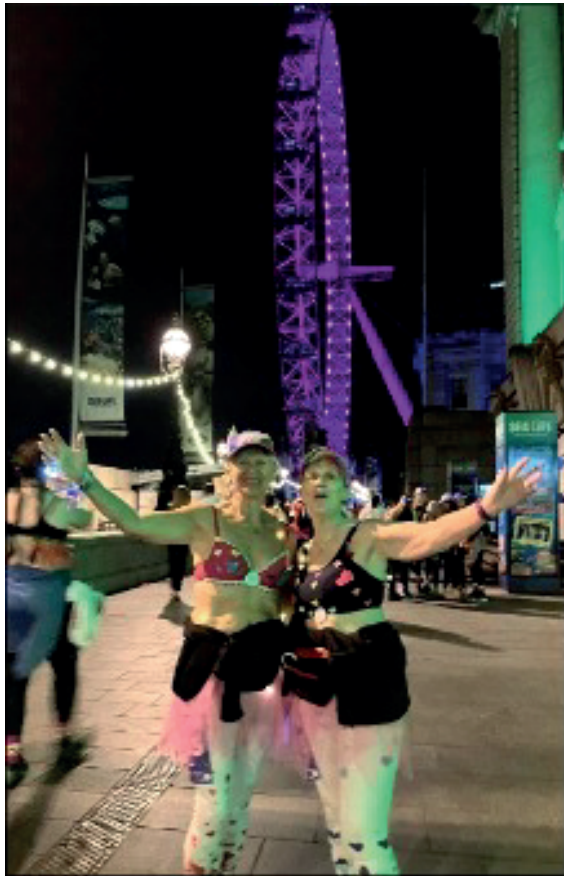
Crowds waiting to set off at the start

At the start at Clapham Common, the whole area was set up with food and merchandise stalls and an entertainment stage. The organisation and especially the volunteers were amazing. As we were in the last group to start, we did all 4 of the warm-up sessions before we even began the walk! There were also talks and personal stories told as the walkers waited to start.

Harriet Thorpe, Eastenders actress who is a celebrity ambassador for Moonwalk breast cancer charity Walk the Walk, gave a great talk explaining what the charity does and how it supports many cancer charities throughout the country. Some of those charity members had come to say thanks for the donations they had received and explained how the donations were used. Young people taking part in the walk were invited on stage, as these are the ones who will benefit from the research being done today in how to beat cancer. Some people were also brave enough to tell their stories about why they were taking part in the walk. It was very emotional.

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Gill and Yvonne by the 'pink' London Eye, complete with decorated bras, pink tutus and fairy lights!

Our sincere thanks go out to all those who supported us in any way by making cakes etc, donations and emotionally with words of encouragement. We are pleased to say at the moment that as a team we have raised £1,395 so far. The event had raised £2.3 million at the start of the night. So great to complete it and receive our medals!

Yvonne and Gill xx



The celebratory pose for the camera!

Eventually at 11.15 we started our walk, leaving Clapham Common through the pink inflatable arch. It was so exciting to actually be on our way. The start of the journey was amazing, with some iconic buildings lit up in pink for the night. To about mile 14 we were doing ok, then it was a long drag around Hyde Park, too dark to go through sadly, but thankfully we were over halfway. After passing the Albert Hall the next part of the walk was mainly through quieter streets and not as many landmarks to see, which made it a very hard part of the walk. Luckily the cheery volunteers guided us across the roads safely and directed us along the route, plus all the walkers were encouraging others, which helped us to plod on. The next big milestone for us was the 20 mile marker – it was great to see it. With the break of day and the birds singing, we made our way back to Clapham Common to the finish line and to collect that all-important medal. Our finish time was 7.23am, oh what a night and such an amazing experience.

This is the Moonwalk route in a nutshell: Clapham Common, Battersea Park, Battersea Power Station Towers were outstanding lit up with pink lights, Lambeth Bridge, London Eye also lit up pink, Tate Modern, Shakespeare Globe, the Golden Hind, the Millennium Bridge lit up pink, Tower Bridge, Tower of London, St Paul's Cathedral, St James's Park, the Mall, Marble Arch, around Hyde Park, Albert Hall, Kensington, Knightsbridge, Sloane Square, Hyde Park Corner, Chelsea Bridge and finally back to Clapham Common.



Gill and Yvonne with their medals

About 'Walk the Walk'

This is an amazing charity founded in the 1990's, when cancer wasn't talked about much. It started with 13 women walking the New York Marathon in their bras to raise awareness and money for breast cancer, and has since developed into the charity it is today. It raises money which is then used to help many areas of breast cancer, from funding research projects, helping develop essential local services, giving grants to other charities and organisations, and ensuring that people with breast cancer get the emotional and physical support they need. If you want to know more about them, their website is walkthewalk.org

And... it's too late to join in this year's walk, but how about thinking about it for 2025?