

KILKHAMPTON PARISH NEWS

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July & August 2025

Summer is here! Maybe?

*See inside for all things summery, including news of this year's fete
(apologies for not providing info on this sooner)*

Plus Jimmy's Day, St James Flower Festival and much more!

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Grenville Rooms

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EDITORIAL



Dydh da pubonan - hello everyone!

I was looking back at some of the articles we've had submitted recently. Do you remember the Look Group's report in the June issue, which included information about Glasgow artist Rennie Mackintosh? I just wondered if anyone knew that there is a house in Northampton which was remodelled in 1916 by Rennie Mackintosh? I only know because that was the last place I lived before moving to Kil. Northampton is one of the largest towns in England, but has had three applications to become a city refused – I don't know why!

The house is called 78 Derngate, and was owned by J W Bassett-Lowke who was a model engineer, making model railways. He had already met Mackintosh, plus he had an interest in modern architecture and design, and so Bassett-Lowke got Mackintosh involved in renovating number 78 in 1916. Much of the work done by Mackintosh was inside the house, but he also designed the front door and had input into creating the balconies at the back.

From 1964 to the 1990s, the building was part of Northampton school for girls, but there was increasing concern about the preservation of the building. Lottery funding in 2001 enabled the 78 Derngate Northampton Trust to restore it, and to remodel no 80 and link them together to provide a visitor centre and exhibition space.

The displays show Rennie Mackintosh's designs and more, but also Bassett-Lowke's model railways. It's a great place to visit, and there is also lots of information online at 78derngate.org.uk

Just in case anyone is holidaying in that area this summer...!

Speaking of summer, this is of course our last issue until September. That gives the team a lovely break throughout July, although we do need to start work again in August to prepare for the following month.

This is a job I enjoy - maybe it reflects my slightly reclusive, stay-at-home character - but it is also quite time-consuming. And I am not alone - all the team are brilliant at working together to create each issue of the Parish News. Our team is small - probably too small, as some of us do multiple jobs - but we will look at that over the next 12 months, and keep you posted.

Enjoy the summer everyone - don't get too fed up about the rainy days, and celebrate the sunny ones. Until September,

Oll an gwella (all the best),

Jill

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'.

Kilkhampton Parish News Editorial team

Please use the contact details below to enquire about anything related to advertising (Martin), 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 6th July – Trinity 3 (Green)

11am Holy Communion with Reverend Jane

Welcomers: Rachel and Tracey. Reading: Isaiah 66: 10-14. Kevin

Sunday 13th July – Trinity 4 (Green)

11am Morning Worship with Hilbre

Welcomers: Rita and Jennie. Reading: Deuteronomy 30: 9-14. Tony

Sunday 20th July – Trinity 5 (Green)

11am Holy Communion with Reverend Teresa

Welcomers: Joyce and Margaret. Reading: Genesis 18: 1-10a. Hilbre

Sunday 27th July – Trinity 6 (Green)

6pm Songs of Praise with Reverend Teresa and Ian

Welcomers: Myra and Lynn.

Sunday 3rd August – Trinity 7

11am Holy Communion with Reverend Teresa

Welcomers: Tracey and Jules. Reading: Ecclesiastes: 1-2, 12-14, 18-23. Gillian

Sunday 10th August – Trinity 8 (Green)

Morning Prayer with Hilbre

Welcomers: Rachel and Rita. Reading: Genesis 15: 1-6. Ian

Sunday 17th August – Trinity 9 (Green)

11am Holy Communion with Reverend Richard Ward-Smith

Welcomers: Jennie and Joyce. Reading: Jeremiah 23: 23-29. Peter

Sunday 24th August – Trinity 10 (Green)

Morning Prayer with Ian

Welcomers: Margaret and Lynn. Reading: Isaiah 43: 8-13. Kevin

Sunday 31st August – Trinity 11 (Green)

10am BENEFICE SERVICE AT STRATTON No service at St James.

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>
6th July	Mr. Dean Taylor	Pam Metherell	Vivienne Hunt
13th July	Rev. Meg Slingo	Monica Heywood	Fiona Cleave
20th July	Mr. Paul Wreyford	Marlene Bath	Sandra Jones
27th July	Mrs. Pauline Burdett	Sandra Jones	Pam Metherell
3rd August	Rev. Joy Wilson	Debbie Dawber	Sue Joyner
10th August	Local Arrangement	Judith Heard	Roger & Brenda Dunstan
17th August	United at St. James		
24th August	Mr. Barry Bryne	Sandra Holmes	Sandra Holmes
31st August	Rev. Graham Slingo	Joy Moore	Judith Heard

FROM REV RICHARD

Lynne and I have been moving house and it is NOT just simply going to a change of address, it's far more like going on a sort of pilgrimage. In the Bible it is likened to re-pitching a tent. The physical shifting we have been going through lately reminds me of Christian in 'Pilgrim's Progress', when his journey led him not just from place to place, but from weight to release, from the City of Destruction (the World) to the Celestial City (Heaven).

We are each of us called to move - never to grow static. Even Creation itself is in motion, and as someone once said "a shark must keep on swimming to breathe or it dies". So too, we must keep journeying - seeking, learning, stretching towards the light.

It is good to have a destination in mind, but it is the journey that shapes us. The packing, the letting go, the trips to the tip, discovering the discomfort, the re-pitching of the tent once again. I see each move, geographical or spiritual, as another way of saying, "We're not home yet, but we're on the way."

Retirement, transitions, new communities and friends, new landscapes, all of them are a part of this slow, grace-filled progress towards the heart of God. My prayer for us all is that we may keep walking, lightly burdened (read downsized), eyes lifted, always willing to pitch our tent a little closer to the Celestial City.

Rev Richard, 12th July 2025

ALBERT'S MONTHLY MESSAGE

This was part of my daily reading a little while ago. I cannot add to it or take away from it but, boy, could we do with more of it in our world today.

After the end of apartheid in South Africa, a Truth and Reconciliation Commission was set up. During one hearing, in the presence of the victim's mother, a policeman named van de Broek recounted how he had shot an eighteen-year-old boy and burned the body on a fire to destroy all evidence. Eight years later he returned to the same house and seized the boy's father. The wife watched as her husband was tied up, had petrol poured over him, and was then set alight. The courtroom became completely silent as the judge offered the widow the opportunity to respond. "What do you want from Mr van de Broek?" he asked.

She asked van de Broek to go and collect the dust from the place where he'd burned her husband's body, so she could honour him with a proper burial. He was so ashamed he couldn't look her in the eye,

but nodded in agreement. Then she added, "Mr van de Broek took all my family away from me, and I still have a lot of love to give. Twice a month, I would like for him to come to the ghetto and spend a day with me so I can be a mother to him. I would like Mr van de Broek to know that he is forgiven by God, and that I forgive him too. I would like to embrace him so he can know my forgiveness is real."

As the elderly woman pronounced those astoundingly grace-filled words and walked towards him, some people began spontaneously singing "Amazing Grace", but van de Broek didn't hear any of it, because he was so totally overwhelmed that he had fainted.

Every Blessing to you all and have a great couple of months.

Albert Sloman, Pastor
albertsloman@outlook.com

St James Church Floodlighting Sponsors July & August 2025

Karl Merrett

16th July 2025

Cannot believe it has been 6 years since we lost you. That's 72 months, but not a day goes by without you being in our thoughts. Love you forever, miss you always.

Sam xx, Katy and Jack, Mum, Dad and
your new grandson Thomas.

You would have been the best grandad.

Megan Thornton

Remembering Megan with much love and sadness.

From all your family.

'Peace, Perfect Peace'. In God's Keeping.

'Til we meet again xxxx

Charles Colwill Cleave

Birthday remembrance for Dad, 9th July 1926.

'Treasured forever with love sincere'.

John.

Babb

Thank you to the kind gentleman who painted Joanne and Sharon's bench in the churchyard. It is much appreciated. Ann and John Babb x

Lewis Babb, another year dad. We'll always remember.

Passed away much too soon on July 28th 1988.

Love as always, Ann, John, Beryl and all your family xxx

Lewis Kersey, my special grandson. I still remember that wicked smile.

You would be 34 on July 12th.

Love you, your Nanny xx

Happy Birthday **Frank** for 9th August,
and loving memories of my granddaughter **Tillyann** on 9th August 2005

Always in our hearts. Nanny xx

Georgie DeRosa

Happy Birthday Georgie.

You would have turned 43 on 25th July

We miss you every day and will never stop loving you.

Love from Mum and Dad, Lyds, Maddy, Emma, Jordan, Dan, Richard, Ellen,

Meg and Colby

xxx

Nigel Jordan

Happy heavenly birthday to our dear brother on 3rd July.

Always in our thoughts and hearts.

Loved and missed always.

From your brother Keith, sisters, nephews and nieces.

Kathleen Jordan

Happy heavenly Birthday to our dear mum on 20th August.

Loved and missed always.

From your son Keith, daughters, and grandchildren.

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Remembering with love **Madge Spry**, a dear Mum and Gran,
on her birthday 31st July.
Always in our hearts and thoughts.
Lyn, Dave and family.

Remembering with love **Arthur Spry**, a dear Dad,
Granddad and Great Granddad on his birthday 17th August.
Always in our hearts and thoughts.
Lyn, Dave and family.

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

St. James the Great's Annual Gift Day - Jimmy's Day!

Sunday 27 July 2025 will be our Annual Gift Day. Kevin, our Churchwarden, will be pleased to receive your envelopes and donations at the Lych Gate from 10am.

Also on this day we are celebrating 'Jimmy's Day'. Please come and join us at the Church from 3pm onwards. Attractions will include:

Cream Teas and Barbeque - Children's Treasure Hunt - Bowling for the Pig
Tombola - Cake stall - Guess the number of sweets in the jar
Guess the weight of the sheep - Ukelele Band

Everyone welcome. We have returned to many events of 'Jimmy's Day' of old!

The evening will conclude with Songs of Praise in the Church at 6pm, featuring Bude Metric Brass Band and special guests Bassline

Come along and be part of our St. James the Great patronal festival

ST JAMES CHURCH KILKHAMPTON FLOWER FESTIVAL 2025

22nd to 24th AUGUST 2025

'CIRCUS, FESTIVALS & FAIRS'

OPENING TIMES:

10am to 5pm Friday and Saturday, 2pm to 5pm Sunday

Including a CHILDREN'S CORNER for any young arrangers

REFRESHMENTS SERVED ALL DAY

Everyone Welcome. Please come and support our Flower Festival

Queries: please contact Heather (01288 321336) or Jennie (01288 321319)

Pasties & puds Sunday 24th: pasties & puds, 12-2pm, £5 per person

Please book pasties on 01288 321404 or 321319

KILKHAMPTON JUNIOR AND INFANTS SCHOOL

Although I am writing this article for you in June, as you can see it's in the July/August edition of the Parish News, thus making it my final article of the academic year. We are currently in the final half-term of the school year and very busy. Although long, the summer term flies by as it is so packed with activities and events.

We had the great honour in May to take part in the village commemorations for the eightieth anniversary of VE Day. The children attended the village war memorial and took part in the service of commemoration at the parish church. We then had a school street party on the Friday, where all children and staff came dressed as if it was the 1940s. The children had a great time, they also made bunting and recipes from the 1940s to eat at the street party. I would also like to say a big thank you for the many kind words from members of the community about the contribution the children made to the VE Day commemorations and their behaviour throughout.



1940s outfits for VE Day



We were honoured to take part in the village commemorations of the eightieth anniversary of VE Day



Children enjoying our VE Day street party in May



Right: Our Year Five and Six team came second at the Quad Kids athletic festival at Budehaven

We may be down to the last month of term but the children have still so much to look forward to. We have inter-house cricket and rounders, our sports day and school fair. We also have school trips to Bridge Mill for our younger children as well as to RHS Rosemoor for the children in Key Stage Two.

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Above: Authors visited the school during Bude Literary Festival

The children are still busy with their final term's learning. There has been lots of learning about plants across the school, with Reception growing beans and Year Five dissecting plants. The youngest children are currently learning about our coasts, with children in Year Three and Four learning about the Ancient Greeks, and the oldest children finding out why King Alfred was given the title 'The Great'.



Children in Year Five sowing seeds to help them learn about the life-cycle of plants



Reception children grew runner beans and labelled the parts of plants

Our Year Six pupils are beginning to think about moving on. They have already started meeting staff from their new secondary schools, and in the next few weeks will be visiting their new schools for taster days. At the same time, we have started the process of meeting the newest members of our school family, the new Reception children and their families, who have already had a meeting and a 'stay and play' session at the school.

It has been a very busy year at Kilkhampton Junior and Infant School, full of the usual mix of challenges, rewarding experiences and memorable moments. Throughout it all, I never fail to be struck and moved

by the dedication and support from all of my colleagues, the governors and the parents.

I am truly blessed to have the privilege of leading such a wonderful village school and (although I know I am biased) working with the best colleagues and children!

I hope you all have a lovely summer, I am sure you will join with me in wishing our departing Year Six pupils all the best in the next step of their education, they have done themselves proud and enriched the life of the school.

Until September,

Michael Watson, Head Teacher

TREE BOOK GROUP: THERE ARE RIVERS IN THE SKY by Elif Shafak

'There Are Rivers in the Sky' is a novel by Elif Shafak that intertwines the lives of three characters across different time periods, all connected by the River Thames, the River Tigris, and the epic of Gilgamesh. As water scarcity grows, sea levels rise around the world and scandals over illegal dumping of sewage into our rivers and seas continue, a novel about politics and preciousness of water is timely. The book begins with a magical proposition: it will follow the lifespan of a raindrop as it is consumed, subsumed and transformed across continents and centuries.

The story follows Arthur, a Victorian child born near the Thames with a remarkable memory, who becomes fascinated by the ancient city of Nineveh and its connection to Gilgamesh. In Turkey in 2014, Narin, a Yazidi girl, faces a difficult journey with her grandmother as they flee ISIS and seek refuge in the sacred valley of their people. In 2018 in London, Zaleekhah, a hydrologist living on a houseboat, discovers a connection to her homeland and her past. Their stories, though set in different eras, are all linked by the themes of memory, loss, and the search for meaning.

About three quarters of the way through the book, there is a heart-rending portrait of Yazidi families fleeing the guns of Islamic State militants: 'an

endless stream of human beings – raddled bodies pushing against gravity. Mothers, clutching their babies: pregnant women trying to protect the precious life within. Children, dazed and disorientated, trudge silently, too scared to cry'. This is a horrifically recognisable image of ethnic cleansing that cannot fail to anger, disturb and move us.

A beautifully written story of love & passion, compassion and total brutality. We are all too aware of these stories of how people are abused in the name of religious beliefs cloaked in greed and ignorance.

There are a number of analogies in the book concerning water and here are a few of my favourites:

"Some people are restless like rivers"

"Women are expected to be like rivers, readjusting, reshaping"

"Questions set off a ripple of other questions, as a leaping carp leaves a trail of watery wreath in its wake"

"A kiss is two drops of water finding their way to each other"

Contact Dorothy Flaxman

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In memory of **Reverend Robert Stephen Hawker** (3 December 1804 - 15 August 1875)

Vicar of Morwenstow

Sesquicentennial Event - 150 years since his death

Saturday 16th August 2025

1pm to 4pm

Morwenstow Community
Centre

Shop, Morwenstow EX23 9SL

Display of Hawker
Memorabilia

Cream teas

Entertainment: Bassline
(Singers) and Handbell Ringers



Sunday 17th August 2025

3pm

Morwenstow Church Service

Plus:

The Morwenstow Community
Centre will be open 1pm to 5pm

Display of Hawker Memorabilia

Entertainment: Cousin Jack
(Singers)

The church service on the Sunday will be attended by:

The Bishop of Truro

The Lord-Lieutenant of Cornwall Colonel Sir Edward Bolitho KCVO OBE

The Deputy Lord-Lieutenant of Cornwall Mrs Fiona Hargreaves

KILK COMMUNITY LUNCH

Brought to you by Kilk Coffee & Cakes Team

2 COURSE HOT MEAL FOR £7

ON

Friday 25th July

& 29th August

At 12.30 pm

AT

THE GRENVILLE ROOMS

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



SATURDAY 5th July

& 2nd August

10.30AM - 12.00 NOON at

METHODIST CHURCH HALL

A VERY WARM WELCOME TO ALL!

The Charity for July is Farming Community Network
And for August is Alzheimers



Kilkhampston Chapel

You are warmly invited to

Stay and Play

At

KILKHAMPTON METHODIST

CHURCH HALL

THURSDAY 10th July

9.30 AM—12 NooN

For Children under 5 and their
parents, grandparents or carers.

2nd & 4th Thursday of the month

Term-time only

ALL WELCOME - join us to play , chat
and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee!

FREE—donations welcome

For further information please
call or message Fiona on 01288
321261 or 07854 141474



YOU'RE INVITED
TO AN AFTERNOON
TEA!



at the

GRENVILLE ROOMS

Penstowe Road

on

WEDNESDAY 6th AUGUST

2:00 - 5:00pm

Everyone is Welcome



We're fundraising for Breast Cancer Now, the
charity that's steered by world-class research
and powered by life-changing support.

breastcancernow.org/afternoontea

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Breast Cancer Now

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(SC044884) and the Isle of Man (1005).



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**BREAST
CANCER
NOW**
the research
charity

Come along and bring a friend!

Over the last 4 years we have raised
an amazing £2,900 and hope to continue
Donations of cakes, tombola or raffle
prizes very much appreciated
Contact Trish on 07415 668589
Trish and Martin Brennan

Kilkhampton Parish Council

Report of the AGM and regular meeting held
on 2 June 2025 www.kilkhampton-pc.gov.uk

Attendance: Reg Hambley (RH), Kingsley Bryant (KB), Keith Ovenden (KO), Tim Cottle (TC), Cornwall Cllr Faye Emery (FE).

Apologies: Joanne Timmins (JT), Lee Bond (LB), Vinnie James (VJ), Phil Sluggett (PS).

Chairman: Councillor Clive Vanstone

Clerk: Hannah Collett

Mr Ian Heard signed Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

AGM The Chairman read through his report on all the happenings through the last year within the Parish. Then Moved onto the Regular Parish Council meeting.

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 Nothing to be said. Thank you to Mr Heard for attending and for all his involvement in the history room.

Planning Applications

1. PA25/03325 Proposed Slurry Store (SIG) Herdacott Dipper Lane Kilkhampton Bude Applicant Grid Ref Mr K Harvey. Discussed. RH felt no issues on our side. TC moved and IH seconded. All in favour.

2. PA25/03108 Construction of five detached dwellings without compliance with Condition 2 of decision notice PA21/09920 dated 21/01/2022. Location Applicant Grid Ref Ivyleaf Cottage Ivyleaf Hill Bude Cornwall Mr And Mrs S Lockyear. RH said the application has gone through for the 5 dwellings and to move access. This is for moving plot 2 and access to it. All within the 5 already granted. Just moving one slightly. KB moved and TC seconded. All in favour.

3. PA25/03465 Extension and conversion of a garage to an annexe as ancillary accommodation, and change of use of land to residential Location Applicant Grid Ref The White House Kilkhampton Bude Cornwall Mr And Mrs Lin. Pictures viewed and discussed in detail. No additional entrances. IH said it was a workshop with garage on the side. The Chairman said we have to deal with the plan in hand and can't see any grounds to refuse. TC suggested we approve on the condition that this cannot be sold off separately and must remain tied to the main property. KO moved and TC seconded, all in favour.

Matters

1. Car park and Toilets: £106.90 taken. RH said that Mr Somerfield had issues with the ladies locking

mechanism. RH had spoken to the relevant company who were supposed to come and fix the issue – however they didn't respond with date etc. Mr Somerfield had then had further issues with the disabled access. Mr Somerfield spent numerous hours tending to these issues and managed to fix them all. Huge thanks to Mr Somerfield from the Parish Council for the enormous amount of time and effort he always puts into ensuring the toilets are clean and everything is working as it should.

2. Playpark: Successful application for funding. The Chairman mentioned that he had met the gentleman from Kompan. They were there changing all the bolts on the bridge that had broken. Doing warranty work. KO checked the cameras and managed to test out the "talk back" successfully. TC questioned if we had enough storage containers? Two are totally full. To be thought about.

3. Accounts for Approval: Accounts available for viewing and to be approved by the Chairman and Clerk at this meeting. Part one approval reference: 02062025/01. Part two approval reference 02062025/02. Conflict of interest form also signed by Chairman and Clerk reference: 02062025/CVHC.

4. Chairman's Annual Payment: The Chairman left the room. The Vice Chairman took over the proceedings. Will be the Chairman's 5th year. Asking what it should be increased to. IH proposed £700. KO seconded and all in favour. The Chairman returned to the room and was told of the increase in annual payment. Thanks to all by the Chairman.

5. Clerks Wage: The Clerk informed of the new level of NI payment rate for Employers. The Clerk then left the room. Upon the Clerks return the Chairman informed of a 10% increase on salary. Many thanks to all by the Clerk.

6. Other matters arising from the minutes: None

Reports

Footpaths: IH mentioned that he will be starting cutting this week. Lots of bridges need attention. One at Hessaforde and one at Taylors Cross. Lots more work needed on these bridges. IH was thinking of taking photos of all the work that's needed to be done and to bring to the meeting. If it's dangerous it must be dealt with ASAP per the Chairman. KO asked if any extra payments are made by Cornwall Council for such issues. Chairman stated these are all included in the LMP payment. They do sometimes supply items. TC asked if a group could be set up so we could apply for grants for such issues? The Chairman said it's a good idea but very difficult to implement. The Chairman felt we may be able to get some items covered. IH to speak to PS and ask relevant questions.

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Playing fields and Lamb Park: Playpark hoping to be finished by Fete day.

School: LB not here. The Chairman mentioned he had been working in the school today and the new classrooms are great. Two classrooms, toilets, sinks, storage etc. However they do have leaks.

Grenville Rooms: P Cottle needs to be contacted regarding leaks needing repair ASAP. RH to sort.

Month's work Read through and approved by all. A mass amount of paperwork for the elections etc. The Chairman felt Cornwall Council need to look into how they send out the paperwork and make them easier to understand etc. FE agreed this would be the best time for them to acknowledge the issues and complexity of all the paperwork.

Members

KB – Mentioned Aldercombe Lane. Water still flowing right across. Blocking up. Coming from Bunnyhomes. KO felt it was supposed to go into a big tank and soak away. KB to monitor. RH to check tomorrow. To contact Mr Will Morris accordingly. FE took contact name of Mr Morris for reference.

KO – Had a couple of Parishioners who use Hill Park Lane notice the dead tree and expressed concerns. Felt it could fall down. KO mentioned it had been dead for a couple of years now and asked if there was anything health and safety-wise that could be done. Is on private land. The Chairman will speak to the landowner again. Letter also to be written stating the safety concerns and the dangers of the dead

tree. KO also mentioned the emails received by Mr Zerafa. The Chairman mentioned he would like to do more work (FOC). Chairman to go and speak to Mr Zerafa.

KO looked into the phone box at Thurdon. Screwed the door shut. Bottom of door has also rotted off.

FE – Asked about any plans to do anything about parking. Mr Oliver Jones had said when funding is in place, the opportunity will be to discuss the details again. Bunnyhomes sections also included in this. KO explained the situation as we understood it. Pictures shown to FE and discussed once again to explain all to FE. FE has a meeting with Highways and wanted to understand the situation in case it came up in conversation.

RH, TC, IH – Nothing

KO asked if a new sign had gone up to Pentire and Penstowe. Yes.

The Chairman wanted to give thanks to all involved in the village clean up. Very much appreciated by the Parish Council.

Correspondence None

Finance Read through by Chairman. Invoices to be paid: £118.00 Alan Somerfield; £54.00 Stephen Gifford; £170.70 Face Value Accounting. All in favour to be paid.

Date of next regular meeting: 7th July 2025, Grenville Rooms, 7.30pm start.

Thanks to all by the Chairman and declared the meeting closed.

ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN, KILKHAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL, JUNE 2025

The year 24/25 was the last of the four year term of the council. Over the year, we dealt with 30 planning applications, down from 51 two years ago and 41 last year (each application is counted as one whether it's a multi-plot site or a minor alteration to an existing approved plan).

We have had long discussions with BunnyHomes about the new road layout to the Blackberry Lane site' including a new bus stop on the eastern side and traffic calming from the north. This should be done at the end of this year and to coincide with re-surfacing through the village. We are working with Oliver Jones from Cornwall Highways on this project.

We were also involved with Cornwall Council when the new bin collections were rolled out. We weren't told about the new booking system at Tiscott wood that SUEZ implemented.

We liaised with the Post Office about the new sites for post boxes in the village and we continue to

financially support the Tuesday morning post office at the Grenville Rooms.

Also at the Grenville Rooms, we added another storage container, plus a replacement oil tank (donated by a parishioner). The Grenville Rooms is a traditional village hall and a great venue for the pantomime, Christmas Fayre, community lunches and many other events, Including the History room which is now being used. Hopefully a history group will be set up soon. For financial reasons it is managed by a management trust but it is owned by the parish.

Lamb Park is managed in a similar way by the Lamb Park Trust. This year sadly we had some vandalism in the park. We decided to install four cameras with cloud monitoring to deter this. In October 24, the air source heat pump failed and had to be replaced before winter. We decided to install a new oil boiler that can be switched on only when it's required – the

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heat pump had to run all the time, and for a building that is sometimes not used for weeks it was not efficient. Also phase two of our renewal of the play equipment is underway and over £40,000 worth of equipment will be installed this summer. A special thanks must go to Helen Bond for everything she has done for this project.

The parish is administrated by Hannah our clerk who deals with the correspondence and the auditors and a massive amount of paperwork for the election. Thank you Hannah.

Thank you to parishioners who voted in the election.

Thank you to Martin Brennan for standing unsuccessfully this time. Martin is already a valuable member of some groups in the parish.

Thank you to Shorne Tilbey our county councillor for the last 4 years, and welcome to Faye Emery our new county councillor.

Lastly thank you to all the parish councillors and anyone who helps make Kilkhampton a great village.

Clive Vanstone

KILK KRAFTS JULY MEETINGS

Wednesday 9th July

Pat Milson - Parchment Kraft

Wednesday 23rd July

Joan and Monica - High Tea

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)

On 14th May, the Welcombe spinners gave a demonstration of their craft, and also offered the audience an opportunity to have a go themselves.

Barbara and Nicole have been spinning for 20 years or more. They told us some history of the art of spinning going back hundreds of years, where they used a small granch with a forked end to spin maybe flax. They showed us some beautiful yarns which were from sheep and alpacas.

The Welcombe spinners hold a regular group at the Grenville Rooms on Mondays if anyone is interested in learning more or just going along for a look and a chat.

Painting was the order of the day at the 28th May meeting. People could choose to paint pebbles or slate coasters. There were plenty of designs to choose from to copy, or people could make up their own designs. Once they were finished, they were taken outside to varnish. As you can see from the photo, the results were lovely!



(Left: painted coasters and pebbles)

Following our July meetings, we will be taking a break in August, so the next meeting will be in September – details will be in the September issue of the Parish News!

KILK KRAFTS REPORT



Welcombe spinners in action, teaching Kilk Kraft members





KILKHAMPTON FETE

19th JULY 2025
2pm to midnight



HERE ARE SOME OF THE ATTRACTIONS:

FREE FACE PAINTING - BALLOON MAN

CHILDRENS GAMES - BOUNCY CASTLE

FOOD STALLS - CRAFT TENT - SIDESHOWS

TEAS - LICENSED BAR - LIVE MUSIC UNTIL LATE

PLEASE COME ALONG AND SUPPORT OUR VILLAGE FETE

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE

POPPIES POPPIES POPPIES

The numbers of poppies knitted or crocheted for our November display has increased hugely - we now have around 3000 poppies, and we know there are many more still being knitted or waiting to be given to us from friends and families. We estimate we need around 6000, although we will know more after our next session.

We met on 10th June to start attaching the poppies to the netting
- see the photos on this page



Working hard...



Nearly the end of the day



The netting before the poppies were attached



How it will look finished

Our next meeting will be Tuesday 15th July,
Grenville Rooms, 2pm to 5pm

Please come along if you are able to help with attaching the poppies to netting ready for hanging from the church tower in November. Thank you all

BUDE LOOK GROUP

The focus of discussion for our June meeting was Frida Kahlo (1905-1957). Frida was born to a Hungarian-German father and a mother of Spanish and Mexican-Indian descent, and lived in Mexico all her life. When a child, she suffered polio which left her with a disability. Then, when a student at the age of eighteen, she experienced a terrible road accident when her bus collided with a tram. She spent over a year in bed recovering from fractures to her spine, collarbone and ribs, a shattered pelvis, and shoulder and foot injuries. Consequently, her parents encouraged her to paint during her convalescence. She endured over thirty operations as well as multiple miscarriages during her lifetime.



Frida and Diego Rivera, 1931

Frida's college commissioned Diego Rivera, an internationally renowned Mexican artist, to paint a mural. Frida and Diego began a tumultuous relationship. Despite a 20-year age gap and the fact that he was married and had a string of lovers they married in 1929.

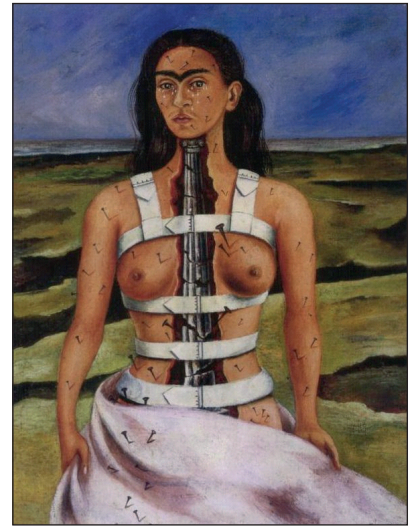
Frida is famous for her intensely personal and symbolic self-portraits. There are often references to religious symbolism and martyrdom in her work as well as the inclusion of the pets she dearly loved.



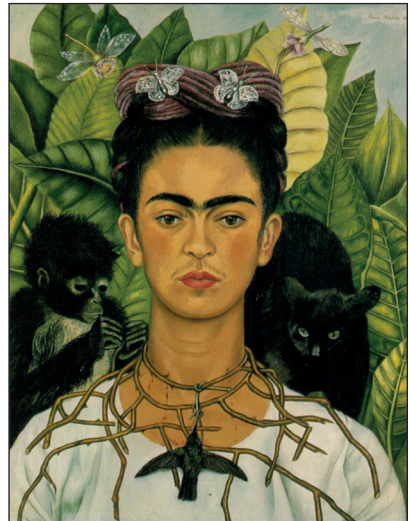
*Self-Portrait as a Tehuana
1940-43*

In the painting on the left, Frida is wearing a traditional costume - Diego's favourite - and despite their divorce she has painted a miniature portrait of him on her brow to indicate her obsessive love. On her head Frida is wearing foliage with roots that resemble a spider's web that symbolise Diego trapped in her thoughts. Later they remarried.

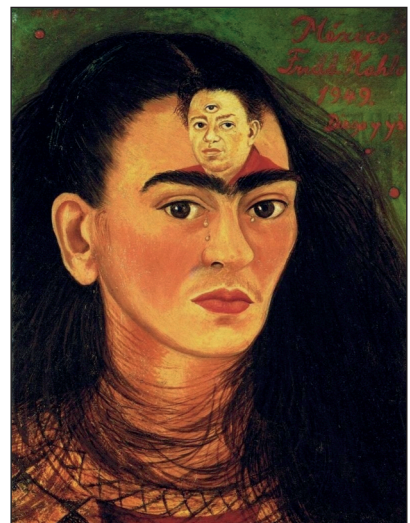
Frida was bisexual, and although hurt by Diego's many affairs, she also had deep relationships with notable artists and politicians.



The Broken Column, 1944



*Self-Portrait with Thorn Necklace
and Humming Bird, 1940*



Diego and I, 1949

Although diminutive in size, Frida Kahlo had enormous strength of spirit, passion and will. She used art to explore themes of identity, pain and political commentary and since the 1980s she has become a beacon for the feminist movement, emboldening women have the courage to speak about the difficulties they face in their lives. Equally, being a woman of mixed race, disabled, an openly bisexual woman too, she has also become a role model for minorities of all kinds.

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