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EDITORIAL



OLAF CHEDZOY 1929 - 2020

It is with particular sadness that we have to record the death of Olaf Chedzoy
Olaf passed away peacefully at home on January 30th.

A 'larger than life' character, Olaf together with his late wife Doreen, immersed himself in village life. Amongst the many things they initiated, the very long running 'Monday Club' talks which many of us will look back on with great relish. They started the enjoyable afternoons of 'Play Reading', which are still enjoyed by an enthusiastic group today, and there was never a Village Hall 'show' ever arranged without Olaf stepping in to play a role. A prolific writer, Olaf also spent many hours researching and producing no less than four booklets on the history of Kilve

However, whether you are a long time resident of Kilve or someone who has recently moved into the village, you will all be aware of Olaf's unending contribution to Kilve News. He was associated with Kilve News from the very 2nd issue back in 1987, subsequently taking over as Editor up to and including issue 101 in 1997.

Not content with 'taking a back seat' he volunteered to write a monthly column, firstly under the heading of 'Pardlestone Post' and then in recent years, 'Sea Lane Spirit'. Such diverse subjects were covered over so many years, some of which left some of us bewildered, but to all of us one of the 'highlights' of each edition.

Truly one of life's gentlemen, and our sadness must surely be surpassed in the knowledge that all us have been enriched by having Olaf in our lives.

Robbie

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Forthcoming Events

This list is a summary of the events listed elsewhere in Kilve News and relates to the whole District of Kilve, Holford and East Quantoxhead.

MARCH 2020

Monday March 2nd (all term time Mondays in the month)

TAI CHI

Kilve Village Hall 11am to 12 noon

Monday March 2nd (and all Mondays in the month)

SHORT MAT BOWLS

Kilve Village Hall 7 pm

Tuesday March 3rd (and all Tuesdays in the month)

PILATES

Kilve Village Hall 6 to 7pm

Tuesday March 3rd

READING GROUP

The Hood Arms 7 pm

Tuesday March 3rd

GENTS LUNCH

The Hood Arms 12.30pm for 1pm

Thursday March 5th (and all Thursdays in the month)

PILATES

Kilve Village Hall 11am to 12 noon

Thursday March 5th (and all Thursdays in the month)

TABLE TENNIS

Holford & District Village Hall 7 pm

Wednesday March 11th

KILVE VILLAGE LUNCH

Kilve Village Hall 12.30 pm

Thursday March 12th

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Kilve Village Hall 2.30pm

Tuesday March 17th

HOLFORD GARDENERS CLUB

Holford Village Hall 7.30pm

Saturday March 21st

VILLAGE MARKET

East Quantoxhead Village Hall 10 am

Thursday March 26th

LADIES LUNCH CLUB

The Hood Arms 12.30pm for 1pm

Saturday March 28th

COFFEE MORNING

Kilve Village Hall 10.30 am



BOB BARTLETT

PAM LEVOIR

A sad month for us all as we have to record the passing of two other Kilve residents.

Both Bob (Sea Lane) and Pam (Hilltop Lane) were long standing residents of Kilve. On behalf of the village we extend much sympathy to their families.



ST.MARY'S KILVE SUNDAY SERVICES

MARCH 1st

11.00 am EUCHARIST

MARCH 8th

11.00 am FAMILY
SERVICE

MARCH 15th

9.30 am EUCHARIST



ANTIQUE and COLLECTORS FAIR EASTER MONDAY APRIL 13th KILVE COURT

Kilve Stores and Post Office

Traditional Premium House Coal
& Bright Flame Smokeless Coal at
Low discounted prices!

Cheapest supplier in the area

Free delivery

Special Wine and Beer of-
fers

Monthly MEGA deals!

National Lottery

Newspapers Magazines

Logs and kindling



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TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO

From Issue 78 March 1995
Having mentioned Olaf's efforts in producing booklets on the 'History of Kilve', it is such a coincidence that the front page of Issue 78 was devoted to a report of a well attended meeting held in February where villagers were appraised of the efforts being made to form a group with the intention of collecting information.

this month
25
years ago

READING GROUP

from Sue Hares

On the 4th February the Group met at The Hood with their usual first meeting of the year supper. This proved to be a really enjoyable event with 100% attendance discussing "The Inaugural Meeting of the Fairvale Ladies Book Club" written by Sophie Green. This turned out to be a very appropriate choice for the meeting. The novel is set in Australia in 1978 involving 5 ladies of various nationalities meeting 4 or 5 times a year based around the wet and dry seasons. The events took place around Darwin, Alice and Katherine in the Northern Territories and gave a very interesting insight into life in that unforgiving area. Fascinating read and a good book for a wet, miserable English Winter!

Unfortunately, the Group is at full capacity and there is currently a waiting list.

All meetings take place in 'The Hood' and commence at 7.15 p.m. for 7.30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month.

The Contact for the group is Sue Hares 741360.



LADIES AND GENTLEMEN'S LUNCHEON CLUB

The next gentlemen's lunch date in 'The Hood Arms' has been arranged for Tuesday March 3rd. Further details from the co-ordinator, Arthur Williams, who may be contacted on 741429.

The next Ladies Lunch will be at The Hood Arms, Kilve, 12.30 for 1pm, on Thursday March 26th. Menu choices will be available nearer the time. Please let Pam Cuff know if you would like to attend. Tel. 01278 741229.

Email pam.cuff@hotmail.co.uk

KILVE W.I.

The March meeting of the W.I. will be held on Thursday March 12th when the guest speaker will be Jacky Brown with a talk entitled 'Happy Himalayan Days'.

If you would like any further information your contact is the W.I. Secretary—Mrs Sue Ayshford who may be contacted on 741215



And a message from Sue.....

We never thought we would come to this but after 77 years we are slowly grinding to a halt! When I first joined Kilve & District over 30 years ago there were nearly 50 members from Kilve, Holford and East Quantoxhead (and the odd ones from other hamlets in the area) - we are now down to under 20. What has happened? Have we done something wrong? I don't think so really. We appreciate that not everyone is able to come on a Thursday afternoon as they may work but that can't be altered. Most of our members are quite elderly now and don't like to go out during the evenings. Each month we have a really good speaker to entertain us. Yes, we do a little business but what club doesn't! And we have a really good tea afterwards so there is no need to rush off home to cook! In addition, the WI offers many other activities on a local, County and even National level. You need never be bored as a member of the WI. So please, if you have ever thought you might like to give it a try, come and join us at Kilve village hall on the second Thursday of the month at 2.30 pm. We are really very nice and welcoming. If you would like to talk about it please call Jennie Mundy on 741649 or myself on 741215 or just turn up on the day.

We would love to see you.

'THE HOOD ARMS' KILVE



Opening Times

Bar

Tuesday to Saturday

12noon to 3pm and 6pm to 11pm

Sunday

12noon to 3pm

Food Service

(Reservations recommended)

Tuesday to Saturday

12noon to 2pm and 6pm to 9pm

Sunday 12 noon to 2pm

(Closed Mondays)

Tel:- 01278 741114

Website :- www.thehoodarms.co.uk

EAST QUANTOXHEAD
VILLAGE MARKET

and

COFFEE MORNING
SATURDAY MARCH 21st



HOLFORD GARDENERS'



March 17th

at 7.30pm

'Stumperies, ferns and shady friends'

Andrew Tolman

HOLFORD VILLAGE HALL

Members £1 Non Members £3.50

Village Agent Reporting from Izzy Silvester

My daughter used to love Thomas the Tank Engine. I was always interested in the fact that Thomas's dream was not to be the fastest or the smartest but to be a really useful engine. Self-esteem plays a huge role in our physical and mental wellbeing and you can give your self-esteem a real boost in 2020 by making a positive difference to other people's lives and in turn, make a positive difference to your own! Small kindnesses make such a difference to peoples lives, whether it is lift sharing or somebody collecting your prescription when you are poorly. Sometimes we just need a quick fix to lighten the load and being a Good Neighbour to people in your community can help forge strong bonds and a feeling of community togetherness – we can help set up a Good Neighbours scheme if you haven't already got one in your area.

Other ways to help your wider community could be participating in parish tidying activities, picking up dropped rubbish and tidy shared spaces such as a sheltered housing scheme, or the path where it gets overgrown. You could start a community group or a tools share scheme if you are lacking the resources. If this sounds like something you'd like to do, CCS Agents can help you find access to grant schemes to start a community group.

If you are house bound, perhaps you could contribute to a telephone befriending service such as Silver Line 0800 4708090 or Age UK 0800 678 1602.

If you are the one needing a bit of extra support, you are always welcome to pop into one of our Talking Café's. This is an opportunity to connect with your community, chat to our Agents and meet other friendly faces for a cuppa. Come to the new Pavilion building on Williton memorial ground. It takes place every Tuesday morning from 10-12.

Minehead Talking café is in the Beach Hotel every Monday from 10-1.

Our CCS Agents are spread across Somerset ready to help you get out into the community and provide confidential and practical solutions for people, wherever they are in Somerset, often when others don't, won't or can't. Did you know our growing network of over 50 local experts support nearly 2,000 people in need each year? We support people to be:

Healthy & well

Able to manage their affairs

Stay independent & safe

Be part of a strong & thriving community

Have a look at our new website <https://somersetagents.org> to explain more about what we do or phone me on the details at the bottom.

Think of all the positive things we can achieve if we are all more like Thomas in 2020!

Not sure who to turn to? Village Agents are a charity that work with individuals and social groups to give confidential support and advice. We can enable people to be more independent in their home, manage personal finances, care for family members and advise on just about anything!

Please phone me Izzy Silvester your village agent on 07931 018045, leave me your name and number and I will ring you back. Or e mail me on izzy@somersetcc.org.uk I do only work part-time so it may take a day or two for me to return your call. Thank you.



PARISH COUNCIL NEWS from Alan Keen

Not something I like doing, but I have to inform you all that Barry Whitehead has resigned from the Parish Council. In Barry we have lost a good active councillor – an asset to the Parish Council and he will be missed by all of us.

Work on the Chantry has just started. The foundations are being examined and if they are ok, by the time this edition of Kilve News is printed, scaffolding should have arrived and hopefully erected. The process of removing the large metal supporting frame should then begin. Excellent news and we all keep our fingers crossed that there are no hiccups.

This from Cllr Pat Woolley:
75th Anniversary of VE Day

On Friday the 8th of May there will be a Bank Holiday to celebrate the end of the war in Europe 75 years ago. Celebrations and commemorations will take place across the country.

We will be organising a party in Kilve Village Hall with food and music, details still to be arranged but put the date in your diary as it is sure to be a popular event.

In August we are also considering organising an event to commemorate VJ Day which was the actual end of World War II. More details to follow.



This from Cllr Steve Collins:

Kilve Village Website

Look out for the new Kilve Village website which will be launched towards that end of February and will contain a number of new features, plus a complete revamp of the existing contents. Any post launch observations to Steve Collins please.

KILVE VILLAGE WEBSITE www.killevillage.co.uk

It's not often that the Clerk to Kilve PC, Shirley Rushent, gets a mention in dispatches - so now's the time to put that right. Shirley has been with the PC for many years, long before I became a councillor, so she is familiar with the role as Parish Clerk. She is responsible for producing the agendas and minutes of meetings, posting notices of PC meetings and other PC related activities. She also acts as PC treasurer and advises us on legal matters. This is not an exhaustive list so you can see that the Clerk is crucial to the proper working of the PC.

THE WAR MEMORIAL

Our picture shows the newly planted memorial trees, on the Quantock Hills near Holford, paying tribute to those of the communities of Holford and Kilve who 'served' during WWII.

The project was jointly funded by Holford and Kilve Parish Councils.



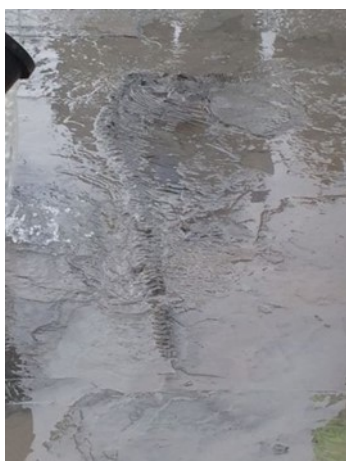
AN OLD FOSSIL

(No!, this is not the life story of the Editor!)

A 197 million-year-old ichthyosaur fossil was found by a dog walker in Stolford and with the help of Kilve resident Russell Bryant has now been delivered to the Somerset Heritage Centre ahead of conservation work

Russell took two disc cutters just in case one broke, and this proved to be a wise move as one did fail just after the trial cut !! .On request of a team of Geologists he had to make several cuts before the fossil could be carefully lifted out, the whole operation took approximately three hours.

Our pictures are of the 'extraction' team (Russell is fourth from the left) and the other a picture of the fossil itself.



POPPY DAY APPEAL

As many of you will know, we no longer have a coordinator for the RBL poppy appeal in November and there was no house to house collection last year. It is not an onerous task - just a busy couple of weeks in November. It would be great if someone would like to take this on, & Claire Heather or I would be happy to talk through what is involved with anyone who might be interested in helping such a worthwhile cause.



Pam Cuff - 01278 741229 or email pam.cuff@hotmail.co.uk

STOGURSEY FORGET ME NOT CAFE

Spring dates for 2020:

Wednesday 4th March - Coffee, chat & singing

Wednesday 18th March - Coffee & Cake

Wednesday 1st April - Easter Fun!

Wednesday 15th April - Coffee & Chat

Wednesday 29th April - Coffee & Chat

ANTIQUES FAIR

As you will all know, the Antique and Collectors Fair is the main fund raising event of the year for St. Mary's Kilve, with donations also being given to other village organisations.

The organisers are now appealing for your generosity in helping out on the day. Anyone who can spare an hour (or two) on Easter Monday (April 13th) for various duties such as helping out in the kitchen, stewarding, parking or on the village stall is asked to kindly contact Frances Mayor on 741268.

If you have any 'collectables' which would be suitable for the Village Stall and would like to donate the same, please contact Robbie (741594) who will be pleased to arrange collection. Robbie is also available to provide information for anyone who would like to have a stall at the Fair.

Apart from Frances and Robbie, other members of the PCC who may be contacted for any offers of help are Arthur and Mair Williams (741429) Alan Hopper (741349) and Pam and Roger Cuff (741229).

KILVE CLAY SHOOTING CLUB

Now in its 20th year, the Club is hoping to attract new members. Trial shooting is available and if anyone is interested or would like further information they are invited to contact Chris Stephens on 01278 741109



DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING

The next Defibrillator Training session is being held on

**Friday 10 July at 2pm
in Kilve Village Hall.**

We have been asked to emphasise the importance of being trained yearly as things change continually.



**EAST and WEST QUANTOXHEAD
LENT LUNCH**
**East Quantoxhead Village Hall February 27th
from 12- 2pm**

THE FOOD CUPBOARD

My usual monthly thank you to all those kind people who contribute to the Quantock Food Cupboard. Winter time can be a particularly hard time for some families to make ends meet, and your contributions (which may be left at the Village Stores) bring a lot of smiles and relief to many in need.

Robbie



Village Hall News from Tony Mudge

At the time of writing, the Village Hall committee have had just one meeting to discuss future events for 2020 but there were lots of ideas to make use of our wonderful village hall, so watch this space!

In the meantime, if you have any thoughts or ideas of what you would like to see or do in the hall then do let me know. Many thanks

Tony

FUTURE EVENTS :

Please see the list of regular forthcoming events for March on page 2 of Kilve News and to hi-light the following dates :

KILVE LUNCH CLUB – MARCH 11TH



COFFEE MORNING - MARCH 28th

At the April (25th) coffee morning we will be holding a plant sale with donations from our villagers so please start planting in preparation and all proceeds raised will be going towards the upkeep of the village hall.



The **Lunch Club** is run by village volunteers and is open to people of all ages. We are proud to say we have achieved a 5 Star rating for Food Safety. Tickets are £6 for two courses plus tea or coffee. Tickets are available from Pat on 741157 or at the Kilve coffee mornings

100 Club

A fundraiser for the Village Hall, this monthly draw offers a lucky punter the chance to scoop the jackpot. The 100 club is a way of paying some of the running costs of our fantastic village hall. £2 a month gets you one number in the draw; 50% goes to the hall and 50% in prizes. There are two prizes each month, drawn on the last Saturday of each month at the Village Hall Coffee Morning.

VILLAGE HALL CONTACT INFO –GENERAL ENQUIRIES ETC

To book the hall contact Frances on 01278 741268 after 2pm weekdays only please or email kvhbookings@gmail.com

For 100 Club contact Claire on 01278 741654

For Welcome Packs please contact anyone on the Committee

For Lunch Club contact Pat on 741157

Payment for Village Hall bookings etc. enquiries:

kvhtreasurer@gmail.com

Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/kilvevillagehall

SMILE PLEASE!

At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be 'What Is Hell?'

Come early and listen to our choir practice.

Irving Benson and Jessie Carter

were married on October 24 in the church.

So ends a friendship that began in their school days.

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.



'BACK TO SQUARE ONE'

For this month's derivation of phrases I have chosen a sporting one..

Back to square one means back to the beginning. The origin of the phrase is easily traced to the 1930s when commentary on football matches began to be broadcast by the BBC. The BBC's schedule magazine, Radio Times, devised a numbered grid system which they published enabling commentators to indicate to listeners exactly where the ball was on the pitch.. Square one was the goalkeeper's area and whenever the ball was passed back to him, signalling the start of the forward movement of the team, play was referred to as being 'back to square one'.



OUR NEXT ISSUE

Our next issue will be for April Contributions for the 333rd edition to Robbie, or the Village Stores (marked Kilve News)



Please note

NO LATER THAN MARCH 15th

If you have reports, adverts or contributions to hand before the deadline please let us have them as soon possible. It greatly helps having them well in advance of the 15th.

VILLAGE MARQUEE

Richard Morse has very kindly donated a small marquee to the Village Hall, so that anyone in Kilve or the surrounding area may hire it for a small fee. Further information and details of hiring this marquee should be directed to the Village Hall Committee.

A FINAL POSTSCRIPT TO THE 'WONDERFUL' OLAF

Apart from his enormous contribution to village life, Olaf had the most interesting working life. He was greatly involved in the advent of the computer and, as recent as January 16th, he addressed a meeting of the Computer Conservation Society in London which was so well received that he had been asked to do a similar presentation in Manchester. His lecture in London has been posted on You Tube and may be viewed through the following link

<https://youtu.be/pYCMzcxUqSE>

