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A BEACON OF HOPE

As we 'go to press' with this edition of Kilve News we are all, so hoping, that perhaps the worst of this awful virus, which we have had to endure for some two months now, may be over.

However, it goes without saying that all of us will have to remain vigilant and the continuing love, care and help which so many of you have readily given to the village will be needed for some time yet.

Hardly a day passes when I have not received the comments of a Kilve resident who has lauded the wonderful and caring help which has been so forthcoming.



I have to personally thank a good number of you who so kindly got in touch and gave thanks for the last edition of Kilve News. The lovely pictures, which your good selves sent to me, enabled me to hopefully spread a little joy of happiness. We are trying for a 'second run'.

Just look at this lovely photo taken just this last week. (Just goes to show how lucky we are in fact to have Kilve as our home), and turn the page, and you will see more 'pics' which will surely bring a big smile to your faces.

Stay safe and well!

Robbie



V.E.DAY MAY 8th 2020

The proposed 'village party' had been postponed but with the very good weather and lack of cars on the road we could, in hindsight, have had a street party on the A39 itself...and kept our social distancing too!

However all was not forgotten.

The flags flew



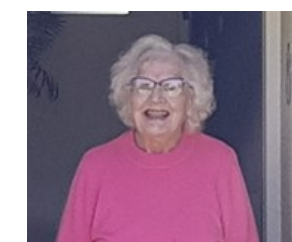
Cakes were made



Grace told us..... 'I was serving dinner to Mrs Cooke-Hurle at Kilve Court, and in between courses, unbeknown to her, I slipped down to the pub and had a celebratory port and lemon!

No such luck for her near neighbour **Phyllis** who was working without a break in the NAAFI in Salisbury.

However
Phyllis has a birthday on
June 8th
and we'll make sure she
gets a special drink then!



And, a few of our more
'senior residents'
reminisced

Musical tributes were played

Generosity, kindness and a fair wind!
From their vantage point on 'Hill Top' they play, their brass notes of anthems in remembrance of hero's past and present carried by the breeze - 'The Last Post' and signature tunes of Dame Vera Lynn. Then a chance encounter with a neighbour and the offer to play a request. The recipient self-effacing and so declines – the offer extended to mum. A hopeful ask, if it were in their repertoire for 'The Street where you live' from My Fair Lady. Forward to Thursday, and the people of Kilve move to the streets and their tribute to key workers, the melody of 'The Streets where you live', rings out and reaches the ear of Mandy's mum - Shirley - who requested it. A song once sung to her by her late husband and this the very day of what would have been their 65th wedding anniversary – Beautiful People with their acts of kindness and generosity.



Cream Teas delivered



A VERY VERY HAPPY
97th
BIRTHDAY
DEAR PHYLLIS
From
ALL OF US IN KILVE

NORMAL LIFE IS ON HOLD BUT NEW LIFE ISN'T!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MUMS AND DADS AND ESPECIALLY THE GRANDMOTHERS & GRANDADS OF KILVE



ALISON &
BRUCE
EYLEY
GRANDSON
TOBY



ELIZABETH GRIGG
GRANDDAUGHTER
VICTORIA



STACEY & SALLY
SHAW
GRANDDAUGHTER
FLORENCE



JASON & AMANDA
PEARSON
GRANDSON
KOA H

AILSA ROBBINS
GRANDSON
ELLIS



WHAT HAS EVERYONE ELSE BEEN DOING?

Doing the daily round to make sure that neighbours are cared for

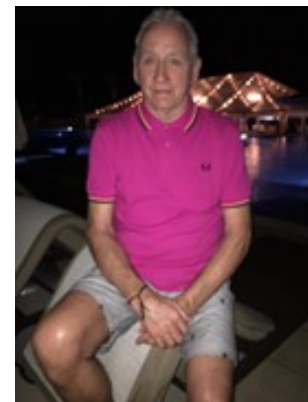


Amongst the other many tasks, making face masks for each and everyone

Changing jobs... from entrepreneur to 'delivery boy'!



Our wonderful 'Postie' Dreaming of that Mediterranean holiday (which had to be cancelled) to celebrate his 65th birthday. Belated birthday greetings dear Paul for May 15th!



Admiring 'Bette's' lilac trees down at the beach. In bloom for the very first time!

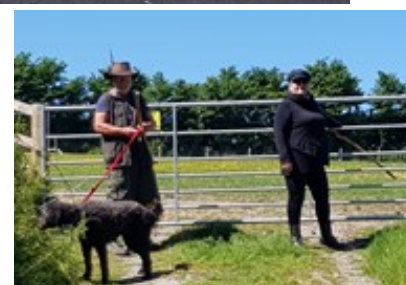


Looking for that elusive Barbers' Shop which might be open!



Putsham Mead out in force, applauding NHS Staff, Care Workers and other key workers. Not forgetting to sing a big 'Happy Birthday' to Norman.

Keeping the dog happy!



Having a glass of scrumpy! Yer my luvvers.. How many of ee remembered that May 11th was Zummerzet day? Us real locals had a right ol do with lots scrumpy! Now if ee did miss out, you take me advice and get the bottle out whilst you be reading this and give a gert toast to 'Zummerzet', this yer luvley county we do live in Ooh aah!



'Happy Feet Garden Tours

Our trip this year to Herefordshire and South Wales as most people are aware has now been cancelled...however, cancelled is not really the correct description as it has merely been 'postponed'!

After negotiating with the hotel and our travel company, our trip will now go ahead next June, from Sunday 20th to Thursday 24th. I'm delighted to say that both hotel and the coach company have honoured this year's rates, so there will be no increase. I anticipate that the itinerary will remain the same and I am indebted both to the hotel/travel contacts and the proprietors of the gardens we will be visiting for their generosity and co-operation. Thirty two from a total of thirty six people previously booked have agreed to wait until next year; two people have cancelled and two people are considering to re-book if their own circumstances alter. In either case, this leaves us with two single rooms should anyone be interested in joining us in 2021.

Please contact me either by calling: 01278 741152 or email: plomdove4145@googlemail.com

Thank youMo (Plomgren)

DO YOU LIKE TO SING?

Do you like to sing? Do you love Christmas music? Well then this is your lucky day! I am looking to start a new singing group in Kilve to work on some Christmas songs as part of a joint choir with Fiddington for two Village Hall Christmas fundraisers later this year in Kilve and Fiddington – a 'Mingle Jingle' of sorts (social distancing permitting of course). All this will be done remotely initially with music shared online but for now I just need to know who would like to join. If you think you might be interested or want more information then please email me at

hannahovett@gmail.com.

Hannah (Ailsa's daughter)



KILVE STORES SHOP NEWS

You will be pleased to know that all is well at Kilve Stores and we are incredibly happy with our stock levels and the service we are providing under testing conditions.

We would like to thank Joy and Andrew for all their hard work in the afternoons and weekends, without them our opening hours would be extremely limited to say the least.

We are regularly sanitizing all surfaces, door handles etc. and we have been provided with markers for the shop floor to help with social distancing.

Home deliveries are very popular, if you would like a home delivery the best way to order is via email mfhirst@hotmail.com please place your order before 12pm for next day delivery.

If you do not have access to the internet, please call the shop before 12pm 01278 741214 for next day delivery, we are not taking orders over the phone after 12pm because we only have one member of staff in the afternoon.

The stock levels are quite impressive all things considered; we are working tirelessly with all of our suppliers trying to keep the shelves full.

Flour, yeast, hand wash, hand sanitiser, reusable face masks, cereals, tinned veg, meat, soups, fruit all in stock. We have fresh daily deliveries of milk, fruit & veg and Glenmore bakery bread.

We have bulk bought certain items and dispensed it into smaller bags, for example caster sugar, pasta etc., any items you would like that are not currently stocked, please ask us to try and order it in for you. We have successfully obtained many customer requests items over the last couple of months.

Fresh meat from Jon Thorner butchers arrives every Monday, Wednesday and Friday and the chiller are full of cheeses, bacon, yoghurts, butter, cooked sliced meat and lots more.

So, if the thought of going to a supermarket right now is all too much for you, we are confident you will find all that you need right here at Kilve Stores.

We operate a Newspaper or Magazine box drop service to Hill Top and Holford, please ask for details.

Compost is back in stock but, we are not doing compost deliveries at the moment, collection only.

Shop & Post Office Hours

Monday to Friday 7.30am – 4.30pm (Post Office closes 12.30pm Wednesday)

Saturday 8.00am – 4.00pm

Sunday 9.00am – 12.00pm (Post Office Closed)

Shop phone number 01278 741214

Email: mfhirst@hotmail.com

If there is anything we can do to help during these difficult times, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

We are here to help.

FROM YOUR VILLAGE AGENT IZZY SILVESTER

June 2020

It has been wonderful to be part of the immense community support that has been carried out by local parishes, churches and volunteers to keep our most vulnerable fed and in receipt of their prescriptions. We should remember them in our regular Thursday evening applause.

Sadly, there are some unscrupulous people out there who are using the crisis for criminal purposes and many new scams have appeared. There is some comfort in that Avon and Somerset force, so far are not aware of any victims and have not received any complaints or reports of people being duped by fraudsters. They are keen to keep this trend going and want to help safeguard our local communities. Their main advice is

Watch out for scam messages – don't click on the links or attachments in suspicious emails and never respond to unsolicited messages and telephone calls that ask for your personal or financial details.

As village agents we have been made aware of phone calls asking for your bank details for free school meal payments. These come as e-vouchers or printed if required.

If you think you have been a victim please report the matter to Action Fraud as we need to share knowledge of fraudsters.

www.actionfraud.org.uk

As Village Agents we suggest sharing your experience with your friends and with us so that we can share and allow everyone to be prepared for the next potential scam. If you are feeling upset by a call, contact us on 01823 331 222 for a bit of reassurance and advice.

Shopping online – if you're making a purchase from a company or person you don't know and trust, carry out some research first, and ask a friend or family member for advice before completing the purchase. If you decide to go ahead with the purchase, use a credit card if you have one, as most major credit card providers insure online purchases.

We suggest looking for the padlock mark on the web address, not on the actual webpage to show your credit card details are safe. Avoid offers that seem too good to be true and look if you can find them elsewhere on the internet to check if it is advertised elsewhere.

Don't be duped by organisations offering to arrange to collect money from your home to pay for goods & don't buy goods from the doorstep.

During lock down, people should knock on your door and step back to see that you have collected your delivery, volunteer shopping or prescription. They will not ask for a signature. You will have arranged how to pay for shopping from your neighbourhood volunteers by phone previously and will know their names from the letter they sent to your house and the village Facebook. We can check who your village volunteers are for you.

Protect your devices from the latest threats – always install the latest software and app updates to protect your devices from the latest threats.

<https://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/news/2020/03/beware-fraud-and-scams-during-covid-19-pandemic-stay-at-home-stay-safe-on-line/>

A full list of identified scams can be viewed on the National Trading Standards website - www.nationaltradingstandards.uk/
Age UK Somerset have a really clear list potential scams here: <https://www.ageuk.org.uk/somerset/our-services/scams-advice/>

If you see or hear anything suspicious contact the Citizens Advice Consumer Service on 0808 223 1133 or via the web form on their website.

Exciting news from CCS Village Agents this month is that Talking Cafes are going to be live on Facebook, the first is 14th May at 11am and then daily at 11am from the 18th May! We have really missed seeing our clients at our Talking Cafés so hopefully in the short term this will help & support you from the comfort of your own home!

www.facebook.com/TalkingCafeSomerset/Live - you can ask questions during the Live video in the comments section and have your answer there and then hope we see you

Please telephone me Izzy Silvester on 07931 018045 for confidential advice and support

We also have a team of Community Agents and Village Agents across Somerset. They help to bridge the gap between isolated, excluded, vulnerable and lonely individuals and statutory and/or voluntary organisations which offer specific solutions to identified needs. We can offer advice and support to find local groups and activities available in your community and help you with any queries you may have or situations that you need advice and support with.

Please visit www.ccslovesomerset.org.uk and www.somersetcarers.org or call me to find out who can advise you.



Adhering to strict social distancing but also in good voice once again, neighbours and friends join in to wish Sheila Sharp a very happy 91st birthday on May 23rd.

THE HOOD ARMS NEWS

A big thank you to all who have supported our new takeaway service, which has been a huge success. It has been great to see and speak to people in the village when ordering/collecting/delivering the takeaways. We can't wait until we are able to open up properly and welcome you all back to The Hood. This may be alfresco in the beer garden to start with but we are already planning how we can implement safe social distancing within the actual pub when we are able to return to normal.



We have reluctantly had to add a small price increase as the cost of supplies including packaging has gone up considerably. On the subject of packaging if it is possible to let us have the foil containers back, we can recycle and re-use these, which will help us keep our costs down. We are now going to start the takeaway service from 5.00 pm on the Friday.

We are also asking if it is possible to have your orders for the Friday takeaway night by 5.00 pm on the Wednesday as our fish supplier is asking for more notice.

We are also planning some additional evenings shortly including a Curry evening and possibly a Pizza evening if we are able to perfect our pizza making skills so watch this space.

Finally, check out a couple of old favourites from the Desert Menu now available as a takeaway.

Continue to stay safe and remain positive.

The Hood Arms

TAKEAWAY/DELIVERY SERVICE FRIDAY 5.00 PM TO 8.00 PM

MAINS

- Sausage & chips £5
- Vegetarian sausage & chips £5 (v)
- Scampi, chips & peas £8
- Fish, chips & peas (Small £6.50 / Large £8.50)
- * Hood burger & skinny fries £8
- * Hood spicy bean burger & skinny fries £8 (v)
- Lasagne & Salad £8

* gluten free roll available on request

CHILDRENS MENU

- Sausage, chips & peas or beans £3
- Mini battered chicken fillets, chips, peas or beans £3
- Battered fillet of fish, chips, peas or beans £3

SUNDAY LUNCH ONLY 12.00 PM TO 2.00 PM

- Roast beef and/or roast chicken*, Yorkshire pudding, pigs in blankets, honey roasted parsnips, cauliflower cheese, & seasonal vegetables - £9
- Vegetarian nut roast, Yorkshire pudding, honey roasted parsnips, cauliflower cheese, & seasonal vegetables - £9

DESSERTS

- Toblerone Cheesecake £4
- Sticky Toffee Pudding £4

*Roast chicken also available as a half or whole chicken.

All meals subject to availability and the menu may change.

Pre-order only via telephone and leave a message on 01278 741114, or email enquiries@thehoodarms.co.uk. Alternatively, text on 07818032829. Please order as early as possible but at the latest by Wednesday 5.00 pm for Friday or 5.00 pm on Friday for Sunday lunch.

We would prefer card payments over the telephone but will accept cash on collection / delivery.

OUR NEXT ISSUE

Our next issue will be for June Contributions for the 335th edition to Robbie, or the Village Stores (marked Kilve News)



Please **NO LATER THAN**
June 15th

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

Kilve Reading Group from Sue Hares

For the meeting in May the Group met up on Zoom. It was brilliant and this is how we're going to carry on until we can get back to The Hood. The book was "The Music Shop" written by Rachel Joyce (author of "The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry"). This was much enjoyed and generally preferred to the "Harold Fry" book. It contained a panoply of characters and was a gently written novel about a Record shop owned by Frank who refused to sell anything but vinyl. The biggest criticism was a little tediousness in parts, but there were some lovely people and interesting musical references. The Group will continue with meetings on Zoom until such time as "normal" life resumes! Unfortunately, the Group is at full capacity and there is currently a waiting list.



Kilve Village Hall News MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

The Village Hall committee continue to meet over ZOOM calls to ensure that when we are allowed to, the hall will re-open safely for all.

In the meantime, stay safe!

Many thanks

Tony

KILVE LUNCH CLUB & COFFEE MORNING currently suspended due to COVID-19

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!

Just £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 and a new period will begin in July.

Kilve residents can join at the coffee morning, at Kilve Stores or ring Claire Heather on [01278 741654](tel:01278741654) (Direct debit scheme or via cheque payable to 'Kilve Village Hall').

Two draws have been made remotely via a random number generator in March and April and the winners were:

March - **Elizabeth Grigg and Mary Evans**

April - **Pat Ormesher and Shirley Dixon.**

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

from Alan Keen

The restrictions placed on all of us have imposed radical changes in our social and economic behaviour. Although lockdown is being eased this is no green light moment for a return to the old ways just yet. Luckily we live in Kilve but being male and over seventy years old I have to admit to being very cautious at the moment. This extends to parish council work and we have no plans at present to resume any kind of normal operation. However, some things can still be done using the internet.

I am very pleased to welcome Bruce Eyley onto the Parish Council. Bruce was co-opted by email, which out of necessity, replaced a formal council meeting.

Planning applications are still being examined and our views posted to the local authority. Recently we have been asked to comment on and application by Kilve Court for the construction of a kayak centre and an application for holiday accommodation at the Old Rectory.

After an inevitable delay we have definitely decided to go ahead with the purchase of land from Kilve Court.

Please keep an eye on the village website for useful information which we get from the local authority.

That's about it folks so keep well and thanks to everyone for keeping our community safe.

THE FOOD CUPBOARD

It is probably stating the obvious, but our Quantock Food Bank is currently having unprecedented demands for help with families struggling to make ends meet during this awful pandemic. I am pleased to report that I am receiving donations from our usual supporters but we would welcome some additional help. Donations may be left at Kilve Stores, I am happy to arrange for any items to be collected and if cash donations are easier at this time, I would be very happy to pass these on to Marlene and her wonderful hard working team. Thank you.



Robbie

ARISE SIR TOM!

I know that many of you not only acknowledged the great effort of Captain Tom Moore but also actively donated to his fund for NHS Charities which raised close to a staggering 33 million pounds!. It is therefore, with great joy that we include him here

on or Kilve News pages again this month, with the news, just released, that he is to be made a Knight of the Realm

Congratulations SIR TOM!



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www.kilvevillage.co.uk

If you know of anyone who is not able to view this edition on-line, please let me know. I in turn will make sure that a copy is delivered to their home.

Many thanks Robbie

