


KILVE NEWS



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EDITORIAL

As I put together this August edition of Kilve News, there seems to be a great 'buzz' about some thing called football! I am sure each and everyone of you will rejoice in the great efforts that the English team have shown throughout the tournament.

On the subject of football, and even more locally, you may be interested to know that Kilve was known for its celebrated football team, the Quantock Rangers or the 'Snowdrops'. as they were known. Their stripe was green and white, but later changed to black and orange. So many people in Kilve followed them everywhere and the story goes, that when playing away at Nether Stowey, the opposing fans used to pelt them with mud! You think you have had a tough time, Gareth Southgate?

Cricket then became the 'game of the village' (greatly supported to this very day} and if you turn the pages you will see the report on page7, of the recent match between the Club and a Village X1. No mud slinging but very enjoyable.

Robbie

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LUNCH CLUB

Finally, we can start the monthly Lunch Club again! The last one was in March last year and I know it has been missed by many of our residents.

The next one will be on Wednesday 11th August. The menu will be Salmon with a watercress sauce, new potatoes and seasonal vegetables, Apple pie and custard for desert, followed by tea or coffee. A vegetarian option may be requested. Please let me know if you have any allergies or intolerances as these can also be catered for. The price is still the same at £6 a head.

Maximum number 28, Everyone in the village is welcome. Tickets will be available at coffee morning or give me a ring to book your place.

Note: if, having bought your ticket, you are unable to attend, please notify me by the previous Friday as it is necessary to order the ingredients. The ticket money cannot be refunded after this day.

We look forward to seeing you.

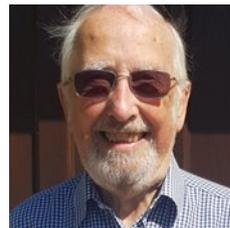
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Two very special birthdays to tell you about this month. Firstly, and appropriately on August 1st, will be the 95th birthday of Grace Thorne.



Just six days later and Stan Eynott will be marking up his 91st birthday.



On behalf of everyone in the village we extend many congratulations and a bundle of best wishes to both Grace and Stan.

VILLAGE HALL GARDEN

from Kelly and Sally

Just a 'quickie' this month as we're very busy at the garden! The flowers are enjoying the weather and so are the weeds....so it's all hands on deck.

A few of you may have noticed the bird house and bee hotels (made by Sally), that have been put into place to encourage more wildlife to our garden.

We've also put in lots more plants.

We really hope you all enjoy the beautiful garden.



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TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO

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It was reported that the Village Hall 'chair replacement fund' had got off to a promising start, with a good number of donations having been received.



READING GROUP

from Sue Hares

The book chosen for the July meeting proved to be a real "Marmite" book; those who finished it loved it and others gave up! "A Thousand Ships" was written by Natalie Haynes, writer and broadcaster. The book was set in Ancient Greece and told the story of the Trojan Wars through the eyes of the women. Our favourite character was undoubtedly Penelope, wife of Odysseus. It was a very cruel and difficult time for everyone in those days and it was also quite hard keeping tabs on all the Greek names, although there was a very helpful list at the beginning. The Group also enjoyed a lovely meal at The Hood after the meeting. Unfortunately, the Group is at full capacity.



OUR NEXT ISSUE

Our next issue will be for SEPTEMBER Contributions for the 349th edition to Robbie, or the Village Stores (marked Kilve News) **Please note**

NO LATER THAN AUGUST 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.



THANK YOU from St Mary's P.C.C.

A very BIG and appreciative thank you to everyone who so kindly donated to our appeal during 'Gift Week' As was mentioned in the June edition of Kilve News, the P.C.C., like so many other organisations, have found it extremely difficult to 'balance the books', as a consequence of the Coronavirus pandemic. The response to our appeal and been very gratifying and 'heart warming' in as much that a total of £935.00 has been donated. This will enable us to continue our obligations in the day to day running of St. Mary's and we extend a huge thank you to everyone who gave us such generous support.

ST.MARY'S KILVE

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QUANTOCK FOOD BANK

It is always a pleasure, to report on the generosity of the people of Kilve and their on-going support for the Quantock Food Bank. I should have made it clear, last month, that donations for the Food Bank may be given to Elizabeth Grigg or left with Matt and Charlotte at Kilve Stores. I do know that many of you already, and very kindly, make a direct BACS payment to the Food Bank. Their bank details are:-



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Kilve Stores News

Charlotte's Half Marathon for Cancer Research

Hi, you may have seen me running about the village this past year, this is because I signed up to do a half marathon to raise money for Cancer Research last year. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, the Torbay half marathon was cancelled and rescheduled for this year on the 12th September.

I decided to raise money for Cancer Research because, like most of us, I had a number of family members diagnosed with cancer in the last two years. My mother and my sister in law and many friends have battled cancer. One very important person to me, growing up, unfortunately lost her battle last year leaving my best friend with no parents having lost her dad to cancer 8 years previously. With two small children and no grandparents to spoil them, it had such an effect on us all so I decided to buy some trainers and do what I could to raise some money. I would be incredibly grateful for any sponsorship you may wish to give, there is a sponsor form in the shop and there will also be a raffle of some goodies and the person who guesses the nearest to my completion time will win the basket (a little heads up it won't be fast).

I have set up a Just Giving page if you would like to donate on line.

If you told me 10 years ago that I would be able to run a mile I would have laughed until I cried as this would have been impossible. I was 5 stone heavier and could not walk to the top of Pardlestone Lane, so to sign up to a half marathon is a huge undertaking for me and hope that it can help raise some much needed money to help fight cancer.

Thank you so much. Charlotte

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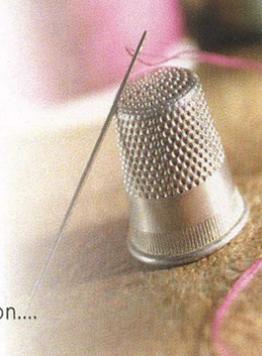
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HONEYBEE DIARIES

from Neil Wellum

I have been carrying on with weekly hive inspections to keep an eye on the risk of swarming. I'll soon be able to reduce it to fortnightly, as that risk diminishes quite quickly now. I have also seen and marked my third new queen for the year and she is laying well.



The honeybees are now focussed on the main summer nectar flow and foraging vigorously all day and late into the evening. They've been visiting clover a lot (a lawn or field of clover is a welcome sight to a bee, as well as looking quite nice), but recently turned their attention to the brambles, which augurs well for this year's blackberries. They have also just started on the Russian sage in my garden and can't resist it.

A few days ago, we had a hint of thundery weather. Bees really don't like it, so it's not a good idea to open hives when there is thunder about, because you are likely to be met by angry bees. We talk about honeybees' temperament being defensive, rather than aggressive. They like warm, calm weather, plenty of nectar and pollen, the presence of a good laying queen and a beekeeper who makes calm movements, does not smell of alcohol, strong perfume and such like, and who wears light colours.

A honeybee will show a tendency to sting if it senses a threat to the colony (or, perhaps, itself, in the unlikely event you disturb one away from the hive). Unlike a wasp, a honeybee will die in the process of stinging, because the tip of its sting is barbed and stays put in the skin! If you get stung by one you can normally see the sting with the naked eye, after the bee has flown away to die of its injuries. The bee thinks nothing of the sacrifice it has made. It is protecting the colony. Think of a honeybee colony as one super-organism, rather than a group of individual bees.

If you are stung on bare unprotected skin, remove the sting as soon as possible by scraping it out horizontally, in preference to pinching it out, because pinching helps to squeeze more venom into the skin. After the initial pain of the sting, there can be a day or two of redness, itching and swelling at the site of the sting. Antihistamine tablets and creams can help and an ice pack is good too. Stronger allergic reactions can occur in some people and I would say beekeeping is not for them. Much more rarely, a sting can become a medical emergency if someone has a severe allergic reaction called anaphylaxis (like the severe allergy to peanuts). Thankfully, this is rare. Each time I inspect a colony I make an assessment of the bees' temperament. The aim is to keep good natured bees.

When I open the hive, I use a little cool smoke, not too much, just to subdue and calm the bees. After that, a few puffs now and again are usually all it needs. The bees are normally calm and I can go about my business untroubled. Occasionally, if the weather conditions are not ideal, or if I am clumsy, I might pick up a sting on the finger. I'll say something impolite, brush the sting off and smoke my glove because, when a bee stings, it releases an alarm pheromone (chemical signal) to tell other bees close by that there is a threat to the colony that needs attention. The smoke masks the effect of the alarm pheromone.

I hope the nectar flow goes on for a good while yet, since the next big job will be some honey extraction, making sure to leave the bees enough for next winter, of course.

SHORT MAT BOWLS



Have you ever thought about trying your hand at a game of Short Mat Bowls. Our very own Club, Kilve Short Mat Bowling Club is hoping to restart their once a week evening sessions and they would very much like to welcome new members. It is suitable for all ages and even for people with slight disabilities. The Club provides all the equipment needed and each Club evening the emphasis is on having a friendly game with like-minded people.

The Club has arranged for a 'practice' session for any one interested and this will take place on Saturday afternoon

August 7th from 4pm — 6 pm

Why not 'pop' in and find out a little more about it and even have a go.

Your contacts for the Club are

Kilve :- Robbie on 741594

Holford:- Keith on 741183

THANK YOU

Following our recent move into Jamara on Sea Lane, we would just like to say thank you to all the villagers we have met for their friendly welcome. House moving is notoriously stressful, but we're now starting to settle in to relaxed and quiet village life, which we hope we will continue to enjoy for many years. Our early impressions of Kilve are that it does seem to be a very special place. Nick and Gill Parsons and Woody the spaniel.

GROWING YOUR OWN VEG

Would you like to grow your own vegetables but do not have room in your own garden to do this? Why not use an area of my kitchen garden as an allotment, no charge! I have three usable raised beds and an area of garden to grow climbing plants such as runner beans etc.



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Kilve Sports Reports

Cricket

On Saturday 26th June, Kilve Villagers (pictured above) played the first game in a 3 match series against Kilve Cricket Club at the Sea Lane ground. In perfect conditions Kilve CC batted first and amassed 232 runs, in their 30 overs. Leaving the Villagers a mountain to climb, our best previous score being 150ish.

Undaunted, David Tansley and Jamie Scott opened the batting and quickly amassed 52 runs. Sadly, with their departure a collapse ensued, ending at 132 all out.

The Villagers star player being David Tansley who scored 39 runs and got two wickets, conceding only 23 runs. This performance earned David a call up to the Kilve CC Sunday side. Jamie Scott had a good knock of 22 and Barry Jordan and Ashley Parke both took a wicket a piece.

Thank you to Kilve CC for being their usual excellent hosts and to the 100+ villagers, who were there watching and cheering for us. The next match is on Sunday 1st August at 2pm. Rest assured we will be working hard in the nets to achieve a better result. If you would like to join us as a player contact Mark Walton Tel 741095 mtwalton@btinternet.com

Golf

Kilve Golf Klub have reached the mid point of this season. We have welcomed two new members Charlie Lonsdale, a very long term resident! Steve Payne, who has just moved into Hilltop Lane.

We have enjoyed 4 away days at Wells, Worlebury, Minehead and Bristol as well as 4 9 hole matches at Cannington. As a result of good work by our handicap secretary Jamie Scott we have had 9 different winners already. There are society days planned around Somerset for each month for the remainder of the year, as well as monthly matches at Cannington.

New members are very welcome and if you join and play before August 12th you are welcome to our summer BBQ on that day.

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Walking Football

As I was writing the above reports, we are just 48 hours away from possibly the second greatest moment in football. Before the legs give up, I am thinking of taking up "Walking Football" and wondered if there were any other people in the village, Ladies or Gentlemen who would be interested? If you are interested in a gentle kick around let me know and I will enquire about booking a pitch locally.

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Halloween Trick or treating! from Kelly Stone

Now I realise it is only August but, when I was younger, I used to watch in awe at all the children in ..and nothing has changed now that I'm that 'bit' older!!

We're so lucky to live in such a friendly place as Kilve, and I wanted to put the 'feelers' out to see if there were any children in the village that would be interested in a Halloween trick or treat route this year?

I'm thinking of putting together a list of houses that would be happy for a little witch or goblin to knock on their door to receive a treat? The trick or treaters (t and t's), and their guardian, would need to be registered with myself and a time for all the kids to be out would be agreed before hand. I know some people wouldn't want any visitor's especially on a dark evening, so this is very much an 'opt-in' event. A copy of who was expected would be given to anyone participating.

I would also need to hear from anyone that would be happy for children and a named guardian, to knock on their door.

This is obviously for children – dressing up for guardians would be optional!!

I would be really interested to hear what villagers thoughts were so let me know

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We are looking for groups and interested parties to host a display table that explains to parishioners what great things those groups have been doing and are planning on doing.

During the formal part of the meeting we will present reports, debate key issues and contribute to future village activities.

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