

Kingston Seymour Village Magazine



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What a glorious summer we are having and to top it all here is another magazine for you to enjoy. The front cover picture is from the charity Springwood RDA. You may have seen them in The Village Hall carpark on a Monday. See page 13 for details. The plans for the big remembrance weekend in Kingston make up the centre pages so they can be pulled out and saved perhaps on your notice board.

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Quiet Day - Avril Gaunt will lead a Quiet Day at John and Celia Andrews' home - Cherry Tree House, Kenn Street on Thursday 23rd August from 10am to 3.30pm.

People are invited to drop in at any time for however long they wish. They are also invited to take along a picnic to enjoy in John and Margaret Balls' garden at lunchtime

The Friends are hosting a Bar and BBQ as usual in the Church Yard after the village show. Collect your exhibits and prizes and come on over.

The Village Market is on 4th August and 1st September from 10.00am to 12.00. Home made preserves, cakes, meat and pies, vegetables, bread, books, plants, crafts, cards and so much more, or just come and have a cup of coffee and a chat.

The Village Pub is in the Village Hall every other Friday from 7.00pm – 11.00pm, everyone is welcome. The first one in August is on 10th but check at the Triangle where there is always a notice. Thank you, Andy Gillam for working so hard to keep these going, and for opening the bar and organising the screening of the World Cup which was so enjoyed by all who came along.

The Village Post Office is every Tuesday 10.00am – 12.00 in the Village Hall. Come along and use the Post Office facilities, buy fresh vegetables, eggs and have a cup of coffee and a chat. Everyone welcome.

Ladies Who Lunch

The next lunches will be on:

Wednesday 8th August and Thursday 13th September.

We will be going to "The White Hart" at Wrington at 1pm.

Will you please make a note of these dates and let me know if you are able to come so that I can book a table accordingly. Unfortunately I had to cancel the July lunch due to holidays etc. If you are interested and wish to come please meet at the Village car park at 12.30pm or make your own way there if you wish. Thank you.

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Richard John Tarrant 28th December 1937 - 16th May 2018

Sadly, my father passed away in May. There are still some villagers who may remember him quite well even though he hasn't lived in Kingston for the last 22 years.

He was born in Birmingham and moved to Workington (on the west coast of what was then Cumberland and is now Cumbria) as an infant presumably because of the war. He spent his childhood there and left only to go to Manchester University when leaving school. He graduated with a first class honours degree in chemistry. Then, although he originally intended a career in industry, decided instead to become a teacher. He had said to me that he thought a job in industry would have been boring. However, it would have been much more lucrative! This decision may have been in part because it was education, which had delivered him from abject poverty.

He and his sister were brought up motherless from a very early age. He and my mother married when he was 22 and she 19. They had been at Workington Grammar school together. As a teacher he worked first in Manchester (where I was born), then Liverpool (where my brother Richard was born) and then in Gloucestershire (where our brother John was born). The family then moved to North Somerset (it was then Somerset) as dad had a new job as a deputy head at Gordano School in Portishead. In 1971 my parents bought a new build house in Back

Lane. This was one of the first of the 'new' houses which have been developed in the centre of the village. I remember very clearly coming upon the village by chance as my parents were house hunting. We were driving around the lanes and my parents fell in love with the village. My father got the phone number from the board on the building site and the rest is history.

His biggest contribution to the village was in chairing the committee which built the 'new' (as it was known) village hall. There is a dated plaque. This was without the foyer, an addition in 2000. The skittle alley located in a field in Back Lane and the 'old' village hall were brought together under one roof. The bar was 'carried over' with the skittle alley/instated as there had not been one in the 'old' village hall.

He enjoyed cycling around the village and for one year only organised the 'tour de Kingston Seymour' with printed T-shirts and prizes too! I don't remember exactly which year. I think the traffic may have been stopped for this but I'm not totally certain.

My father was a bit of an athlete as a young man, rugby, athletics and became a very keen bowler while living in Kingston as a member of Clevedon Bowling Club. He was often there. He continued bowling until his health prevented this while living in Olveston with his wife Daphne.

It is difficult to summarise a life. He had many interests and was interested in many things and very knowledgeable too about many things. Yet, one of his interesting claims to fame occurred in Liverpool while a young teacher of chemistry when he 'turned down' The Beatles for a school dance as they wanted too much money. He was always 'good' with money!

He was a resident of Elm View Nursing Home, Moor Lane in Clevedon for the final three years of his life. I have nothing but admiration for the care he received there and will be ever grateful to Heather and her staff. He has left wife Daphne, my brothers and myself, eight grandchildren with an age range of 3 months to 30 years and a great grandchild. He wasn't perfect! I for one however, consider myself lucky in my father.

Lesley Cole

Sports day

A really fun day under a baking sun. Thank you to everyone involved for all the hard work both before, during the day and at Hayfever in the evening. It is so good that this event is still taking place after so many years.



Village Lotto Winners

Lucky winners of the village lotto in May and June were Jane Lumkin, Sylvia Price, Olive Lawrence, Chris Walton, Janet Burdge, John Hilliard, Sue Saunders, Sue Lang and Ros Woodman. Congratulations to them all.

For those who don't know how it works, the winner each week is the person holding the ticket number matching the bonus ball in the Saturday national lotto. That lucky person wins £34 for just a £1 stake, with the balance in excess of that helping village causes, primarily related to the village hall.

Please give Olive Lawrence a call (on 01934-833186) or pop in to see her at the village Post Office on Tuesday mornings if you want to take part or to find out more.

Church Notes

Warren's 70th birthday fell on the same day as the July Family Service and so was celebrated after the service with cake and bubbles. The extra large congregation wished him well and it was a very happy occasion.

We have continued the pattern of Afternoon Tea with Evensong during the summer months - the next one will be Sunday August 12th with tea at 5pm followed by the service at 6pm. Several people have expressed their thanks for this time of social fellowship. Do come along if you'd like to, you will be assured of a warm welcome.

We have submitted some additional paperwork regarding the coffin rest at the Lychgate. It seems to be taking a long time to get this moving, but hopefully work can be completed in the autumn. There are several other jobs to be done in the churchyard. When the weather cools a little bit, perhaps we can gather some help together.

Looking ahead, Harvest will be Sunday 16th September. There are thoughts around having a Harvest Breakfast this year as a change from a Harvest Supper. Look out for details nearer the time.

Happy holidays to all our children and those taking a break from routine.

Sue Thomas - Church warden



BATTLE'S OVER A NATIONS TRIBUTE

The weekend 9 to 11 Nov 18 is aimed as a celebration of the end of WW1 and a commemoration to all those who have given their lives in defence of our country

There is a theme nationally of light which is driven out of Sir Edward Grey's famous remark "The lamps are going out all over Europe we shall not see them lit again in our lifetime"

There is also a famous speech by Winston Churchill that takes a similar theme with the light of freedom going out over Europe as the Cold War descended

The village has many events planned in tribute to those who have made sacrifice's in service of our country

IN PREPARATION

There are lots of plans already afoot within the village in support of our tribute

The new bench is now installed which will have a plaque of dedication shortly

A large group of villagers ably managed and co-ordinated by Caroline and Trudy Harris has been making ceramic poppies

many of which will be displayed at the war memorial in our own very unique tribute from early in September

We are planning on commissioning a memorial tankard for which any profits, like the rest of the weekend, will go to the Royal British Legion. These are currently being designed and further announcements will be made when they are ready for ordering.

There will be banner poles erected in the village over the weekend and the flower guild is hard at work with their plans to dress the church and churchyard

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday 9th Nov 2018, 7.30pm

A People's Concert

The friends of All Saints will host a Peoples Concert during the village centenary celebration weekend with a through the decades theme. The concert will be a free event and will include wine and canapés during the interval.

A voluntary collection will be held for donations to the British Legion.

The format of the evening will be poetry, stories, comedy, music, dance and much more provided by the residents of Kingston Seymour and their friends.

We require volunteers of all ages to come forward with contributions towards the evening, from poems to comedy, singing to dancing, it doesn't matter.

Should you wish to volunteer your services please contact Susie Humphries on 833603 / humphries@live.co.uk

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Saturday 10th November 2018

1.00pm

Village History Trail & Cream Teas

The village historical society has organised three history trails around the village all starting and finishing at the Church which capture the villages involvement and history associated with both of the World Wars

One of the trails is a short walk suitable for everyone including children, the second is a longer walk for the more adventurous and the third will be by tractor and trailer around the wider village

Before you start or when you get back the Church will be open for Cream Teas

7.00pm

Dinner 1918 Style

On the evening on the 10th November we will be putting on a dinner dance in the hall. This will be a formal dinner where all participants can get involved by wearing period dress. A chance for the ladies to put on their best dresses and the men to look dapper in black tie.

Food will be laid on by Edesia's Kitchen and will consist of a period 3 course menu. I am sure that those of you that have partaken in their fares at Bullock Farm and during the recent barn dance will agreed that they do put on a good spread.

Tickets will be out soon, watch for advertising!

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Sunday 11th November 2018

3.00pm

Remembrance Liturgy at the War Memorial

Everyone is invited to attend the Liturgy when wreaths will be laid. Anyone who wears a uniform in service to others be this a military or civilian emergency service or a voluntary group including cubs and scouts etc

The flower guild has kindly offered at a cost of materials only to make wreaths for organisation or person in the village who would like to lay a wreath.

Should you wish to order a wreath please contact the flower guild at ksflowerguild22@gmail.com

After the Liturgy

Remembrance Service at the Church

Everyone is welcome to attend this service of Remembrance straight after the laying of the wreaths

7.00pm

Lighting of the Beacon

By kind support of John Harris a Beacon will be built and lit on the coast co-ordinated with other communities around the coast where as a final act of Remembrance we will shine a light in recognition that World War One ended only 100 years ago

Kingston Seymour Parish Council

In last month's Village Magazine, there was much about road safety and the importance of having an effective road safety strategy in the village to manage this. The parish council has now moved this strategy further forward with officers from North Somerset Highways; this took place at a meeting on the 4th July. Once again, we enjoyed a very strong attendance of parishioners underlining how important this is to parishioners; our Chairman allowed many questions to be asked "from the floor" and answered by the North Somerset officers in attendance at the meeting.

What Next?

In May, your Councillors determined to enhance our road safety strategy by enhancing traffic calming in the village and following all of the discussions that took place on the 4th July we have instructed North Somerset Highways to prepare a formal proposal for the council to include a review of the following and provision of formal costed recommendations:

- **Lampley Road**
Enhancing the carriageway and area around the gates. Including review of road hashing; signage; marker posts; extending the gates to be closer to the edge of the carriageway & ensure they are effective both entering & leaving the village; rumble strips; removal of carriageway markings and clearance of overhanging bushes & trees
- **Triangle Area**
Look at possible changes of priority; markings to enhance pedestrian safety and reduction of signage to cause drivers to consider rights of way
- **Other village entrances**
At the gateways to the more built up area of the village from Ham Lane, Middle Lane and Back Lane review markings; painted carriageway reductions and rumble strips

- **Outlying Lanes** – Refresh of current markings and consider what other warnings it would be useful to add
- **Education** – ways in which we can all educate ALL road users to keep the village roads safe.

We are promised the proposal from NS Highways by the end of August together with their attendance at our next meeting on Monday 10th September. I'll publish the actions we are going to take as soon as your Councillors have reviewed the proposal agreed the next steps to deliver an enhanced road safety strategy for the whole village.

Steve Dixon, Parish Clerk

Two Young Parishioners discuss life at July's Family Service



Village Show Schedule– Don't forget the Village Show at the end of August (See the back page of the magazine for details). Spare copies of the Schedule can be found on the Kingston Seymour Village website at kingstonseymour.org.uk.

Kingston Seymour Flower Guild

On the 11th July the Flower Guild enjoyed a very successful trip to Hestercombe gardens thank you to everyone who supported this event, and to Trudy and Sue for arranging it. Our next trip is to Winchester flower festival in September please contact Trudy Harris for further details.

We will be decorating the church for harvest on Thursday 13th September at 2pm and 7.30pm if you are able to help please contact Sue Thomas, everyone is welcome.

We are planning the decorating of the church and church yard for the battles over weekend in November and we are going to need lots of poppies. We have already been knitting, crocheting and felting poppies and would appreciate any help, we have a knitting pattern that we can send to you please contact Cheryl Sewell or email the flower guild at ksflowerguild22@gmail.com.

Springwood into Action!

New to Kingston Seymour and a first for North Somerset is a group enabling those with disabilities to take part in carriage driving.

Springwood RDA, a member group of the charity Riding for the Disabled Association, is a new venture organised by some like-minded local carriage drivers. The group's aim is to provide opportunities to enjoy and interact with horses for those whose disability may otherwise be a barrier. Benefits that such an opportunity can provide are first and foremost fun and enjoyment, but also therapy, fresh air and enhanced well-being.

"Kipper", Springwood's flagship black and white driving cob, is brought to the village by trailer each week and his wheelchair-enabled carriage is kindly stored for the group at a nearby farm.

The level going and quieter lanes around the village provide the group with some ideal driving routes and unique opportunities to enjoy the wildlife.

The group meets on Mondays from 10.30am until 2pm at the Village Hall and potential participants and volunteers are warmly welcomed.

Do pop in one Monday to see what we do or contact us -
Email - springwoodrda@talktalk.net Telephone - 07484637372

Happy Birthday to our lovely Vicar



Did you know the Tour of Britain 2018 Cycle race will be travelling from Bristol to Clevedon via Wraxall, then along to Yatton, on to Congresbury and then Churchill on 4th September? Might be interesting to see www.tourofbritain.co.uk/stages/stage3 for information.

Kingston Seymour Historical Society

The Programme for Autumn 2018

Membership £10. Visitors £3.00

Junior Visitors £1.50

(This price includes Light Refreshments)

Tuesday 25th September

At: The Old School, Ham Lane

Julian Marsh - "The Life and Times of George Muller"

This presentation by Julian Marsh, ex Executive Director/Chief Executive of the George Muller Charitable Trust, covers the varied aspects of his work, particularly the Orphanages at Ashley Down, Bristol, in the context of his times and the ongoing work that continues after his death in 1898.

Tuesday 30th October

At: The Tynnings, Ham Lane

Melvin Wood - "Lost Rivers of Bristol"

A presentation on the underground rivers through the city centre of Bristol, particularly regarding the River Frome

Tuesday 20th November

At: Bulbeck, Bullocks Lane

John Penny - "Out and About in Bristol 1914 to 1918"

An illustrated talk with audio and film clips looking at various aspects of life in Bristol during World War One. It deals in particular with recruiting "Bristol's Own" (the 12th Battalion of the Gloucestershire Regiment), local aircraft and munitions production and Bristol's War hospitals and war memorials.

No meeting in December, meetings resume in January, details to follow.

Question time in Yatton Chapter House on 4th October at 7.30pm.

This is organised by the Church Education and Nurture Team and will consist of a panel of four ready to answer your questions.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

We are proposing a trip to **Aerospace Bristol**, the new museum featuring Concorde and Bristol transport at Filton.

On Saturday October 20th

A day out leaving the Village Hall at 10.00 am (Car sharing)

Coffee/Lunch available.

This is open to anyone interested, members and non-members
Aerospace Bristol houses a varied collection of exhibits as well as Concorde and takes several hours to peruse.

Details please contact Anne Perrot on 01934 833888

Or Jane Bell on 01934 877322

VILLAGE SHOW

SATURDAY 25th AUGUST 2018

Children and adult classes, fruit, vegetables, flowers, cookery, poetry, photographs and much more.

Entries please by Saturday 18th August

**To: Kate Esler, The Dairy House, Yew Tree Lane
or the Village Post Office [Tuesday mornings]
or Kingston Garage Back Lane**

Contact Jane Harris on 07498058245 for additional programmes and entry forms or look on the website.