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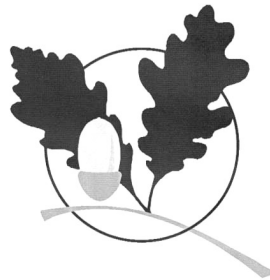
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What's On in Whimble

February

- 9th Film night, Victory Hall, 7.30pm.; see posters for details of film
- 15th History Society talk on 'Exeter - what the Romans, Saxons and Normans did for us' Victory Hall 7.30pm.
- 21st Whimbletons present Treasure Island, 7.30pm Victory Hall, details on page 25
- 22nd Whimbletons present Treasure Island, 7.30pm Victory Hall, details on page 25
- 23rd Whimbletons present Treasure Island, 2.30pm Victory Hall, details on page 25
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March

- 1st Film night, Victory Hall, 7.30pm.; see posters for details of film
- 9th On a Whim Promotions present Toy Hearts at Victory Hall; details on page 27
- 15th Film night, Victory Hall, 7.30pm see posters for details of film
- 16th Villages in Action present Noel 'Tex' Harrison and 'Cajun' Phil Rossiter details on page 35
- 22nd History Society AGM and talk on 'Aspects of Dartmoor' Victory Hall 7.30pm
- 30th Soup and Sarnie Lunch, Victory Hall, 12.00noon until 1.30pm

April

- 26th History Society talk 'A Portrait of Exmoor' in the Victory Hall starting at 7.30pm.
- 27th Soup and Sarnie Lunch, Victory Hall, 12.00noon until 1.30pm

May

- 11th VPA Spring Coffee Morning and Plant Sale, Victory Hall
- 14th History Society guided tour of Broadclyst Church starting at 7.00pm
- 25th Soup and Sarnie Lunch, Victory Hall, 12.00 noon until 1.30pm
- 25th - 26th History Society celebration of the 10th anniversary of the opening of the Heritage Centre

July

- 7th-14th Village Week
- 13th Village Day

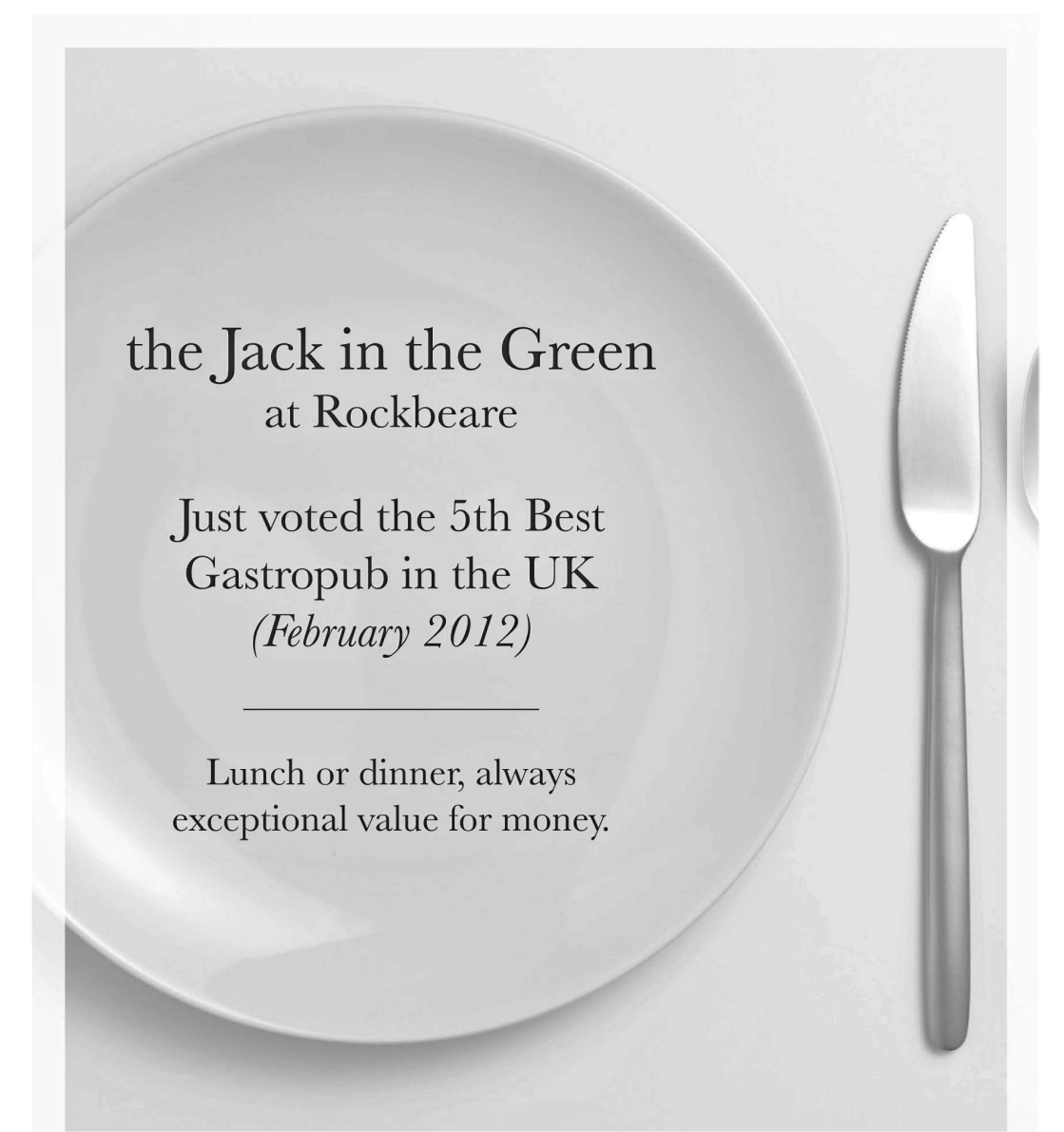
August

- 10th VPA Annual Flower Show, Victory Hall; details in later Whimble News

Please use the Whimble Diary held in the Post Office for checking the availability of venues and when booking events.

If your Association has an event which you would like listed above please contact **Nicky Hitchcock** on 823194 or e-mail nickyjhitch@tiscali.co.uk

If you would like to submit an article for the next edition of Whimble News, then please email it to bob.scanlan@eclipse.co.uk or pass it to Jim and Alison at the Post Office by Monday 11th March. Thanks!



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Ed the Ed

My thanks to Sally Wilde for being the guest editor for the Christmas edition, complete with pink cover! I hope you enjoyed the change of editorial style.

We have some new advertisers with us in this edition. One in particular I am delighted to welcome, as it is another local business is Sue Draycott who you may know better as the star Wardrobe Mistress at the panto. She has now officially launched her photography business (see pages 52 and 53). Sue has worked really hard to achieve this career change and I wish her all the luck in the world to make it a success. If you have any photographic requirements that Sue can help with, please contact her – I am sure you will be delighted.

It is good to see so many events creeping back into the ‘What’s On in Whimple’ calendar now, especially the re-launched Film Club, a couple of gigs at the Victory Hall in March and Clyst Vale College presenting ‘Sweeney Todd’ at the Barnfield. After the panto this year, Whimple has a chance to be nominated as the South West Village of Culture – even after the very late Olympic Torch Relay as demonstrated on New Year’s Eve by the newly formed Naturist Running and Jogging Group.

I have been meaning to write about the new construction up at Knowle Cross – you may have seen that the new village sign is now protected by a grand stone surround, and planted with flowers and turfed at its base. When I first saw it, I suspected it was another crafty Parish Council plan to earn some income by having a Wishing Well, but I understand that it offers protection to the ‘Whimple’ sign, which I think is a great idea and looks very smart. Well done to the people who did that!

I am also admiring the way that several lanes and roads around the village are being made wider by banks collapsing into the road caused by all this excessive rain. If it continues up Church Road, I am looking forward to seeing a three lane carriageway up to Hand and Pen soon. The ‘Pot hole slalom’ up Church Road is also adding a little bit of extra zest to the trip out of the village.

We all had a great time at the New Fountain Beach Christmas Day Swim – lots of you turned up and a good time was had by all. I thought that it was a master stroke to have such an event for people with a fear of the water so it worked really well. Some great knitted costumes on the day!

I was pleased to see that the Wassail ceremony this year was hours ahead of the snow – it would have made very pretty television. Let’s hope Whimple makes it to the big screen this year! (see page 13).

Thanks to our kind anonymous donors for leaving their contributions at the Post Office, and a big thanks to our team of devoted deliverers, especially in the wintry conditions that we have. Thanks and well done!!

Hurry up spring!

Ed H



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We had a good crowd for the Wassail this year – some 150 - 200 in my humble estimation. We had another dry evening but a little ‘cool’ and wet underfoot due to the rain we have been so lucky to have had for the past few months. Last year we were filmed by the Unthanks Sisters and their documentary team; this year we had BBC Countryfile, so fingers crossed we actually make it to the small screen at last! The filming took place up at the Woodhayes Orchard where Ray Horn had prepared splendid bonfires and lights in the trees. It was a very noisy crowd this year and I hope that everyone enjoyed themselves – I thought that it was a lot of fun, which is one of the main intentions of the event. John Shepherd would have been pleased. Alice Wooldridge was our Wassail Princess supported by Connor Thompson as the Wassail Prince and they did very well in their Wassail recitations. After the Wassail there was the usual musicians ‘jam session’ back at the Cricket Club with Jim Causley and his strolling band, plus more guests.

Thanks to Margaret Burrough for supplying the cider that made up the Wassail Cup and to everyone who helped to prepare it. Thanks also go to the tree owners, Ian and Ann Hardcastle, and Jim and Mary Chard. Thanks go as well to the History Society for organising the whole thing, plus the team back at the cricket club who did such a grand job with the food service.

Last year I had a chat with a lady from New Zealand who was very impressed, but a little mystified by the whole Wassail thing. This year I spoke to a couple from Lincolnshire who loved what we have done with the Wassail; they said that despite having a lot of good local history where they come from, no one had taken the initiative to protect, preserve and continue with some of the old ways. We should be grateful that the History Society plays such a strong role in our village. If you would like to offer your support, please join the History Society and get involved!

If the rainy season continues next year’s Wassail will be held in the paddy fields of Whimble, and we can only hope for a good rice harvest.

Ed H

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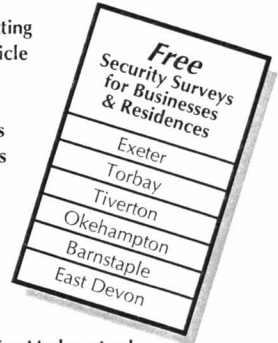


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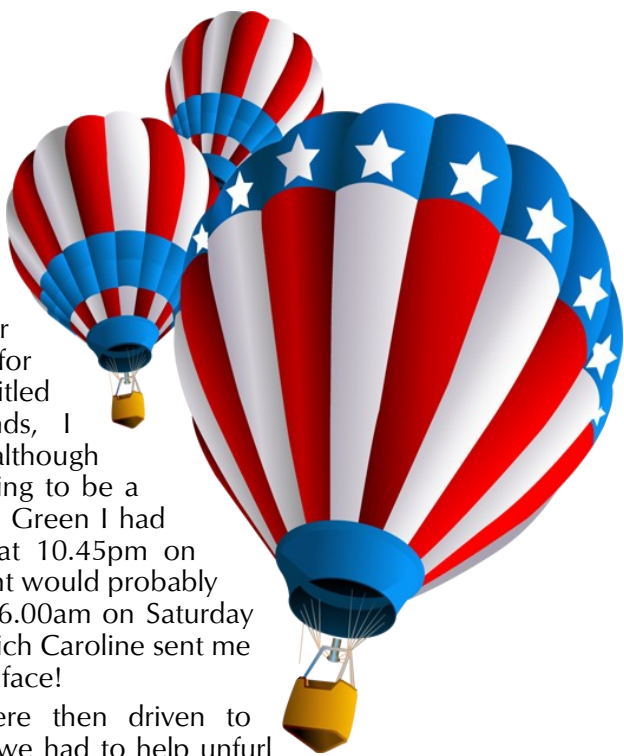
What an experience!

I finally had my Hot Air Balloon flight, given to me by some of my customers, on Saturday 10th November. There were several cancellations due to our summer weather!, even though I had paid for an upgrade which then also entitled me for evenings and week-ends, I included our daughter, Caroline, although she wasn't too sure! As it was going to be a 7.30am flight from the Jack in the Green I had to ring in for a weather report at 10.45pm on Friday night to be told that the flight would probably be taking place but to ring again 6.00am on Saturday morning for confirmation, after which Caroline sent me a text saying 'we're on' and a glum face!

Sixteen of us gathered and were then driven to Chitterly Farm, Butterleigh where we had to help unfurl the balloon, which is technically called an envelope. My one concern was being able to get in the basket which is over 3ft. high and is divided into five compartments. The central one is the width of the basket for the pilot and gas bottles. The end compartments are divided into two, providing space for four passengers in each. Quite snug! The basket has two footholds in the sides, but when we were asked if anyone wanted to get in whilst the basket was on its side, I was the only one who chose the easy option. So whilst the balloon was partially inflated I crawled into the basket. As the balloon rose up it up-righted the basket and did it so, so gentle I knew I had done the right thing.

The other passengers were soon asked to get in and we were up, up and away. In seconds we could see Exmouth Estuary and whichever way we looked had a vista of about 45 miles. We rose to 2,500ft. but were unaware that we were moving. Then we were drifting along at about 500ft. whilst being treated to champagne. The conditions were perfect and there was good company. After about an hour we prepared for landing. We came down between Kerswell and Broadhembury. Once we had landed, which was quite gentle, Caroline immediately said "Oh, Mum, we must do this again." We then had to help pack everything back up again (like children having to put away their toys) and were transported back to Rockbeare where coffee and our certificates awaited us.

It was certainly four hours of a thoroughly enjoyable experience. Very many thanks
Marian Daniels



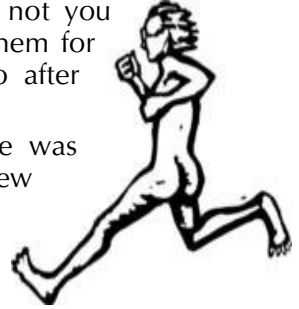
Jeepers.....streakers!

If you were not in the Square on New Year's Eve, you missed a rare sight. Three young lads, wearing only their shoes, streaked down Church Road to the Square where they did a lap of honour.

It was an extremely cold night, and whether or not you approve of their high jinks, you have to admire them for braving the elements and hope they suffered no after effects.

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- * Pasta had not been invented.
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- * A take-away was a mathematical problem.
- * A pizza was something to do with a leaning tower.
- * Bananas and oranges only appeared at Christmas time.
- * All crisps were plain; the choice we had was whether or not to put salt on them.
- * Soft-drinks were called pop.
- * Coke was something that we mixed with coal to make it last longer.
- * Rice was a milk-pudding, and never, ever part of our dinner.
- * A Big Mac was what we wore when it was raining.
- * A microwave was something out of a science-fiction movie.
- * Brown bread was something only poor people ate.
- * Oil was for lubricating your bike, not for cooking; fat was for cooking.
- * Bread and jam was a treat.
- * Tea was made in a teapot using tea leaves, not bags.
- * The tea-cosy was the forerunner of all the modern energy-saving devices
- * Cubed-sugar was regarded as posh.
- * Figs and dates appeared every Christmas, but no one ever ate them.
- * Salad-cream was a dressing for salads; mayonnaise did not exist.
- * Hors d'oeuvre was a spelling mistake.
- * The starter was our main meal.
- * Soup was a main meal.
- * The menu consisted of what we were given, and was set in stone.
- * Left-overs went in the dog.
- * Special food for dogs and cats was unheard of.
- * Sauce was either brown or red.
- * Fish was only eaten on Fridays and fish didn't have fingers.
- * Eating raw fish was called poverty, not sushi.
- * Ready meals only came from the fish-and-chip shop.
- * Frozen food was called ice-cream and only came in one colour and one flavour.
- * None of us had ever heard of yoghurt.
- * Jelly and blancmange was eaten at parties.
- * Calories were mentioned, but they had nothing at all to do with food.
- * People who didn't peel potatoes were regarded as lazy.
- * Eating outside was called a picnic and cooking outside was called camping.
- * "Kebab" was not even a word, never mind a food.
- * Sugar enjoyed a good press in those days
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I could go on!



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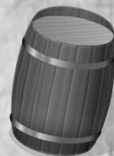


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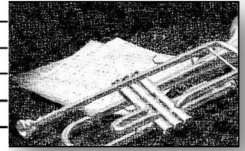
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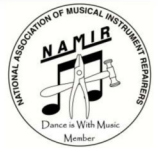
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The Toy Hearts are a Birmingham based sister fronted outfit who have been not-so-quietly carving out their own niche in the Americana and Roots music scene for a while now. So, if you haven't been to one of their shows before you are in for a real treat. The Toy Hearts manage to tip their hats to influences from Bluegrass, Country and Swing, while having their own distinct style, which is quite different from that of those who inspire them. From the heartbreak in Hannah's voice, to her sister's take-no-prisoners guitar playing, to their father Stewart's multi instrumental talents, this unlikely trio demonstrate what it means to really want to play this kind of music and they truly love doing so.

Having toured extensively since making their first record in 2006, they have played gigs and festivals across the UK, Europe and USA. So they have paid their musical dues the old fashioned way by being on the road an awful lot! They have opened for the likes of Robert Plant, Imelda May, amongst others. Their Nashville recorded 2010 release 'Femme Fatale' received several plays from Bob Harris and the band went into BBC Radio 2 studios to record a live session with him in 2011

Alex Gregory learned to play guitar to accompany her own powerful vocal, started writing her own material, and produced her first EP, 'One of the Same Kind', in 2012. After a busy 2011. Alex's hard work and commitment to her music and song writing, resulted in her being nominated for the South West Music Awards 2012. She performed live at Exmouth Festival and Chagstock Festival, played on BBC Radio as well as supporting Cole Stacey and Sound of the Sirens.

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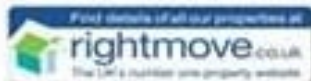
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Work is now well under way on the Clyst Honiton by-pass. The new road will link the airport roundabout to the old A30 at Skypark and provide us with a new route to take when travelling between Whimple and Exeter.

As a safety measure the road will pass through an 80metre long tunnel at the end of the airport runway. The 44 concrete arches that form the tunnel have been delivered to site and put together to form a 10 metre high tunnel. This will be covered in earth and then be grassed over to finish level with the runway.

The £9 million road is due to be completed next summer.



Whimple Village Recipe Cookbook

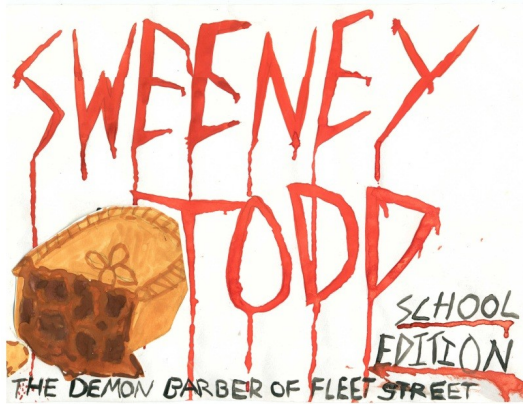
My name is Laura, I'm 12 years old and I'm still seeking your help. Last year I raised £116.00 for Comic Relief. This year I want to help even more. In the last Whimple News I told you about my idea to produce a Village Recipe Cookbook. I'm after family recipes from residents of our village; if they have a funny name, red ingredient or red in the name all the better. I need many more recipes to fill the book which Jim @ the PO has agreed to sell; all proceeds will go to Comic Relief. So please can you send me lots more recipes.

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"What happens then - well that's the play - he wouldn't want us to give it away!"

Following the success of the sell-out production of Les Miserables in 2012, Clyst Vale Community College has chosen to stage their next production of Sweeney Todd (schools edition) at the Barnfield Theatre - their first completely public performance. With approximately 60 students aged from 11 to 18 performing on stage and in the orchestra and students providing backstage support too.

Acclaim for previous Clyst Vale Community College productions...

"I've never seen anything remotely as good in any school anywhere, and I've seen a fair few in my time, believe you me folks. A truly unique and exceptional achievement."

"The quality of the performance was outstanding in every respect."

"Everything about it was absolutely fantastic; the orchestra, the singing, the acting, and all the support from people backstage to make it all run so smoothly. I forgot I was a parent watching a school production and completely lost myself in the story!"

"Let me congratulate each and every one of you for the best three hours entertainment ever. It knocked the socks off all the professional shows I have seen."

"I have been lucky to have seen quite a few London musicals and for a school to have done what you have done is extraordinary. It is a show I won't forget."

"Thank you for a spectacular show - absolutely brilliant. The cast, music and set were stunning - I am speechless!"

Travelling with your pet

Now is the time of year when we look forward to the summer holidays and, for lots of us, that can mean taking our furry friend along. Since 2000 the Pet Travel Scheme (PETS) has allowed cats, dogs and ferrets to enter the UK from certain countries without being placed in quarantine. Animals resident to the UK can now travel to most European countries as well as more distant destinations. From 1st January 2012 the PETS travel scheme changed so that dogs and cats can move freely between PETS-scheme approved countries provided the following conditions are satisfied:

- 1) The pet must have a permanent microchip implanted, which lots of animals already have.
- 2) The pet must be vaccinated against rabies after microchipping. This can be done any time over 12 weeks of age using a licensed vaccine. Boosters are given according to manufacturers recommendation.
- 3) The pet must have a PETS passport signed by an official veterinary surgeon, confirming the above conditions have been met.
- 4) Some destinations require an additional export certificate. It is important to check with DEFRA for specific conditions requested by the country you wish to travel to.
- 5) There is a 21 day wait after rabies vaccination before travel abroad and/or entry into the UK is allowed. This is to allow time for the vaccine to take effect.
- 6) There is a requirement for a veterinary certified tapeworm treatment 24-120 hours before return to the UK. Travel companies and ports will often help you locate a veterinary surgeon for this.

If you are travelling to a country not listed on the PETS scheme additional conditions must be met. This means starting the process at least 4-5 months before you expect to travel. A blood sample must be taken a minimum of 30 days after the rabies vaccination. If the test is successful a 3 month wait must be observed following the date of the blood sample before your pet would be allowed back into the UK. If the blood test does not prove adequate antibody levels, your pet would require a second vaccination and blood test. It is also important to contact DEFRA and check for any additional requirements for travel to specific countries.

We recommend making sure your pet is protected against ticks and sand flies during their period of stay outside the UK as these can carry a variety of diseases which we rarely encounter in this country.

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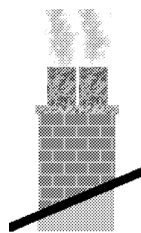
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District Councillor's Report



In the bleak midwinter, the Government still can't leave things alone and there are yet more changes proposed to planning procedures, some of which might affect any one of us. At first glance, the idea of dropping the need for planning permission if we want to add an extension to our detached house up to eight metres long (or up to six metres if our house is a semi or in a terrace) seems very attractive, saving us up to £2500 in fees. However, our neighbour's new, larger extension might block out our view or our light, or get very close to our sitting room, and there would be no way of preventing him from building it. By the same token, you would be unable to object if a shop or other commercial property built an extension all the way to the boundary at the end of your garden. The Government is also proposing to allow developers to pull out of providing 'affordable homes' if they can prove they cannot make a profit. This is something which has already been argued at a development near Seaton – and rejected by the Planning Committee but, if the Government has its way, many planning decisions might be passed to the Secretary of State, and we can be pretty sure which way the issue would be determined. So, there are lots of things to worry about, including the loss of ability for a community to make its own decisions. There has been an enormous increase in house building in our area and yet no sign of prices coming down to a truly affordable level for our children. Something is wrong, somewhere. The West Country desperately needs more jobs, not more homes for retired people to move into from other parts of the country.

One thing that we CAN do is work out a plan for what growth we feel our community can cope with, so the further development of our Local Plan is a 'must' for 2013. Newton Poppleford and Harpford have recently published a very attractive booklet on their Parish Plan and I have copies if anyone wishes to read it.

Changing the subject, I always try to attend the E.D.D.C.'s regular meetings, which District Councillors who are not members of the Cabinet may attend, along with any member of the public. Here, the Council Cabinet present a summary of their decisions, and provide an opportunity to review the issues to be presented to the full council meeting.

At the Cabinet meeting on December 5th a motion was submitted by Councillor Gazzard, who recently lost his eldest daughter whilst she waited for a heart and lung transplant. It proposed that the Council should support the national campaign to change the law to make organ donating an *automatic* process, where members of the public must take action to opt *out* of the scheme if they have personal objections. The council voted unanimously to adopt this principle. Anybody who feels strongly about the issue of making organ donation compulsory can subscribe to Councillor Steve Gazzard's e-petition on <http://epetitions.direct.gov.uk/petitions/38220>. If Steve can gather 100,000 signatures this will trigger an automatic debate in Parliament on the issue. Please consider seriously signing on to honour

Sarah, Steve's delightful 37 year old daughter, whom we had met on several happy occasions when she was full of life, a loving wife and mother.

A second debate at the Cabinet meeting was provoked by a motion from Councillor Wright to encourage the Council to support lowering the voting age from 18 to 16. I seconded this motion although until recently I was strongly opposed. The reason for my change of heart was the experience of being involved with the Council's 'political speed dating', mentioned in my last report. The sophistication, enthusiasm and interest of these seventeen year old students who will be eligible to vote next year gives me a great sense of hope for the future. After the debate the motion was passed in a revised form.

As you know the Council have been planning to vacate The Knowle and move into custom built premises in Honiton. This would be more central and accessible to both councillors and the public, saving on heating and maintenance bills which are, of course, paid for from our council taxes. In theory, the new building would be more efficiently organised than The Knowle with its impossible geography (although I would miss its shabby grandeur and lovely views of the original 1824 gardens). However, a third motion presented to the Cabinet meeting states 'In the light of the recommendation to abolish District Authorities in Michael Heseltine's report, this Council should put on hold its Honiton relocation plans until Government has ruled on the recommendations in this document'. This would cause numerous problems. Watch this space!

Martin Gammell

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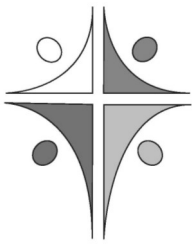
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1st Sunday 8.00am - Holy Communion

6.30pm - Evening Praise - A service aimed at older teenagers and anyone wanting to worship God in a slightly more relaxed/informal way. Refreshments will be served from 6.00pm.

2nd Sunday 11.00am - Holy Communion

3rd Sunday 8.00am - Holy Communion

9.30am - Celebration Service –an informal service for all the family. Refreshments will be served from 9.00am.

4th Sunday 11.00am - Morning Worship.

5th Sunday 10.30am - Mission Community Service

Full details of services at St Mary's and other churches in the Mission Community will be in The Link

February sees the Church moving into the season of Lent. Lent is traditionally a time of self-examination, penitence, self-denial, reflection and preparation for Easter over a forty day period. This itself is a reminder of the forty days that Jesus spent in the desert being tested and the forty years God's people wandered in the wilderness waiting for their deliverance into the promised land. To mark the beginning of this important season, this special service will take place:

Mission Community

Ash Wednesday Service (Feb 13th) of Penitence and Healing

7.00pm Whimple Church

Visiting preacher: Revd Anna Norman Walker (Diocesan Missioner)

Ashes are an ancient sign of penitence; from the Middle Ages it has been the custom to begin Lent by having one's forehead marked in ash with the sign of the cross and you will be invited to participate in this ancient tradition at the service. And, because the self-examination that Lent affords often confronts us with the reality of our own brokenness, our pain, our failure and our 'baggage', there will also be an opportunity to receive prayer for healing if you would like to. I hope you will feel able to come.

Lent is an important time and, as always, so is prayer. The **monthly prayer meeting on the first Tuesday of each month at Whimble Village Hall at 8.00pm** is an hour-long opportunity to seek God's blessing on our communities as well as praying for others who need our prayers. The meeting is simply a time to come together to pray as we feel able, silently or aloud, through lighting a candle or through corporate written prayers, and to echo the 'Amen' of others.

Alternatively (or as well!), if you prefer a more 'Daily Office' style of prayer, silence and reflection, then why not try

'Sacred Space' at Whimble Church

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Second Wednesday of every month (next one Feb 13th)

We also have special services planned for Mothers' Day on 10th March, Maundy Thursday on 28th March and Good Friday on 29th March.

Full details will be in The Link

Other dates for your diary include:

25th February 'Around a Table and Over a Pint' at 8.00pm in the Thirsty Farmer

2nd March Women's Breakfast

9th March Men's Breakfast

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Furthermore, I would like to wish you a Happy and Prosperous New Year. As you know this coming year will be an exciting year for me as I will be celebrating my 95th birthday in June.

Love as always,

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Our Annual General Meeting was held on Friday 11th January 2013 and yet another packed meeting reflected on a very active and successful year for the VPA. It was a record year in terms of membership with 119 members on our books. Our membership Secretary, Myrtle Dockings, was duly thanked for achieving such a magnificent number of members for the year. The many events were well supported, particularly the plant sale in May and of course our annual Flower Show which was held on the first Saturday in September last year. Sadly our Chairman, Mick Street, has had to stand down and he was duly thanked for all his hard work while serving on the Committee as both Show Secretary and Chairman. We also have a new Show Secretary in Sherril Olive who has taken over from Ann Street who also stood down from the Committee. Ann was also thanked for the hard work she put in running our major annual event.

Our annual Spring Coffee morning and Plant Sale will be on Saturday 11th May in the Village Hall. This has been a great success in recent years and we will be looking for the same success this year. Hopefully we will be able to provide a wide range of plants but if there any specific plants you would like us to grow, please let us know and we will see what we can do!

Our annual Flower Show will be returning to its traditional date of the second Saturday in August, and this will be on Saturday 10th August 2013. We hope to have the schedules out by the plant sale, but they will also be available from the website as soon we have finalised all the classes.

We look forward to seeing you at these two events as well as any others we can arrange during the year.

Paul Wilson, Hon. Secretary.

Michael Northcott

We would like to thank all the people of Whimple who attended my husband's funeral, also for the kind wishes and cards.

I would also like to say a special thanks to the Revd Chris Martin for conducting the lovely service.

Grateful thanks

Mary, Anne, Margaret and family



WHIMPLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Hi there, today we are going to tell you about our Christmas production. First we want to tell you about the rehearsals we did. The first one was not the best of them all, but after a lot of practice it was GREAT-GREAT-GREAT! The name of the show was called 'Little Angel Gets Her Wings. Oh yes, the church was packed with people! As well as us the teachers got a massive clap. We all think that it was the best play ever! We can't believe it!

By Mollie Copp, Harriet Thomas and Megan Major (Year 3)

Little angel



Dick Whittington

Wednesday 9th of January we had a performance of Dick Whittington that all the children really enjoyed because we had to do a lot of shouting. All the children would like to say a big thank you to the F.O.W.S for the wonderful performance of Dick Whittington.

By India Withers (Year 6)



This is Tommy the cat who scares away the rats.

Dick Whittington's performance was outstanding to all the children. One of the teachers got pulled out to dance with them gangnam style and the children laughed out loud.

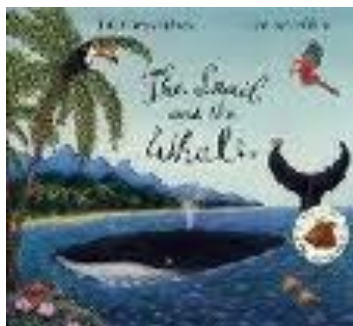
Cameron (year 6)

The Snail and the Whale

After having an artist come and work with us last term we saw The Snail and the Whale at the Northcott theatre in December 2012. We went on a coach, at the theatre we met lots of other schools. People acted out the story of The Snail and the Whale.

The Dad was from the navy. Every night he played a trick on her.

By Sam and Rhys (year 2)



The Christmas meeting provided us with a variety of games, demonstrations and 'home produced' entertainment - in addition to a bring and share supper. A very happy evening.

In January Harry Channon gave a talk and demonstration of Chinese Painting. It was a fascinating evening and produced the most beautiful work which had an overall feeling of tranquility.

Looking ahead, Whimble Women's Institute has entered two teams to compete in the area quiz, while other members are providing tea and cakes for the 80 competitors taking part.

The informal craft group continues to meet on a weekly basis.

If you are interested in the possibility of becoming a member, do contact our President, Avril Ellingham (822945).

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Winston Churchill loved paraprosdokians which are figures of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected; frequently humorous.

1. Where there's a will, I want to be in it.
2. The last thing I want to do is hurt you. But it's still on my list.
3. Since light travels faster than sound, some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
4. If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.
5. We never really grow up, we only learn how to act in public.
6. War does not determine who is right - only who is left.
7. Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
8. They begin the evening news with 'Good Evening,' then proceed to tell you why it isn't.
9. To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.
10. Buses stop in bus stations. Trains stop in train stations. On my desk is a work station.
11. Nostalgia isn't what it used to be.
12. In filling out an application, where it says, 'In case of emergency, notify:' I put 'DOCTOR.'
13. I didn't say it was your fault, I said I was blaming you.
14. Women will never be equal to men until they can walk down the street with a bald head and a beer gut, and still think they are sexy.
15. Behind every successful man is a woman. Behind the fall of a successful man is usually another woman.
16. A clear conscience is the sign of a fuzzy memory.
17. You do not need a parachute to skydive. You only need a parachute to skydive twice.
18. Money can't buy happiness, but it sure makes misery easier to live with.
19. There's a fine line between cuddling and holding someone down so they can't get away.
20. I used to be indecisive. Now I'm not so sure.
21. You're never too old to learn something stupid.
22. To be sure of hitting the target, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.
23. Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
24. I'm supposed to respect my elders, but it's getting harder and harder for me to find one now.

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Ottery Parish Church provided a beautiful setting for the Choral Society's Christmas Concert on Saturday 8th December. The two main works of the evening were Schubert's Mass in G and Haydn's Violin Concerto in G, performed by Sarah Greinig, the orchestra leader. These were framed by a selection of Christmas music, old and new. The audience was given the opportunity to join in five of their favourite carols, to which the sopranos and altos of the choir added their soaring descants.



The choir performed nine arrangements of carols and other Christmas music in three groups. The majority of these were accompanied by the organ and a small string orchestra. Two, however, were sung unaccompanied, demonstrating the excellent balance and tone that the choir can achieve. One of the highlights was the syncopated arrangement of the spiritual 'The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy'. The programme ranged from old favourites such as 'The Shepherds' Farewell' by Berlioz, right up to the 'Waltz Carol' composed in 2010.

Choir members also performed all the solo parts. Firstly, in 'In Dulci Jubilo' which was sung unaccompanied, and then in the evening's main work, Schubert's Mass in G major, a gentle work with lyrical passages in the solo parts, and beautiful harmonies in the chorus. The five soloists – Pip Gascoigne-Pees, Kyle Hayes, David Batty, Jamie Aylward and Michael Gascoigne-Pees - all blended beautifully with the confident singing from the choir.

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Easter Concert

The next concert will be on **Saturday March 23rd** at 7.30pm in Ottery Parish Church, where you will have the opportunity to hear Handel's oratorio 'Israel in Egypt.' Most of you will know Handel's 'Messiah', but perhaps are less familiar with the magnificent 'Israel in Egypt'. It is dominated by large-scale virtuoso choruses, scored for double chorus and orchestra. We will also be joined by professional soloists, Leslie Baker and Rebecca Smith. A glass of wine and light refreshments will be offered after the concert as usual.

Tickets will be available from Stagestruck in Ottery St. Mary (01404 811311) or from Society members. We would like to thank all of you who joined us at Christmas and we look forward to seeing you again at the Easter Concert.

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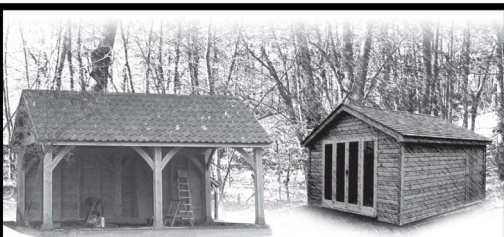
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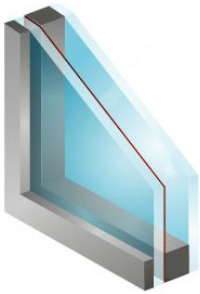
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