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Parish Council

At the end of 2017, there were 313,800 licensed cars, 16,700 motorcycles and 46,200 Light Goods Vehicles in Somerset. South Somerset saw some of the biggest increases. Combine those numbers with visiting vehicles and HGVs, and it is no surprise that traffic-related matters take the attention of Councils across the county. Other rural parishes have shared their experiences with us especially on the theme of HGVs taking inappropriate routes and causing damage. The good news is that we have met with the SCC Traffic Engineer who will be sending details of proposed new signage for directing HGVs at the bottom of Butchers Hill and Ganges Hill, and by the Old Manse.

The issue with the A378 Langport and Top Road 30mph Speed Limit Order has been resolved by Somerset County Council (SCC) who, having taken Police legal advice, have decided to make a minor change to a textual description in the TRO to amend a small anomaly in the wording. This means that the speed limit remains at 30mph as signposted. Unfortunately, with the demise of the SCC Speed Indicator Device scheme and the lack of further volunteers to operate a local Community Speed Watch, monitoring of speeds will be limited to Police resources. There is better news on volunteers for a local Neighbourhood Watch Scheme and a meeting will be organised soon – this is particularly timely given a recent burglary in the village.

The village survey to assess level of support for the purchase/operation of a defibrillator received a disappointing engagement rate with only 50 out of 290 households replying. The results were: 41 in favour; 9 against; with 19 offers of help. A defibrillator would cost in the region of £1800 over 4 years. With such a low response rate, the Council agreed that they did not have a clear mandate to purchase and operate a defibrillator at this time. The situation will be kept under review in particular regarding funding.

Progress with Community Plan actions is ongoing including the development of the Emergency Plan – details are on the website and the noticeboard.

As always, keeping our parish paths clear at this time of year is a challenge for all our volunteers. Particular thanks go to Margaret Knox and Beth Thompson for their recent clearance efforts. Some paths are trimmed twice by SCC (details on <https://roam.somerset.gov.uk/roam/map#>) and additional trimming by the SSDC Ranger Service has been requested. The condition of all paths continues to be monitored particularly where they are overgrown or affected by other activities.

On a related issue, the Environment Agency have concluded their investigation and will not be requiring the removal of the earth embankment (the 'Bund') near Isle Brewers. The overriding reason for this is based on the flood risk modelling report which concludes that, although there is an increase in the depth of flood water immediately upstream of the embankment, there is no increased flood risk to houses or to the nearby road. The condition of the adjacent path will be monitored.

Sadly, there have been reports of dogs being let loose for exercise in the cemetery. The Council unanimously agreed that use of the cemetery or the churchyard for this purpose is both disrespectful and unacceptable. Restrictions to use of the cemetery and churchyard for dog exercise are being investigated.

Following the new data protection regulations, the Clerk has been attempting to master MailChimp as a way of keeping in touch with those on the Fivehead and Swell email list. Please do bear with her if anything looks odd and by all means send in items about village events/news for distribution and suggestions for improvement – she loves to learn! You can, of course, unsubscribe at any time.

And, finally, Fivehead hit the 'headlines' recently with coverage of the rededication of the War Memorial. Thanks go to Pip Brett for her hard work and dedication in making the renovation and rededication such a wonderful success. Her book *'Fivehead's Military Men' (A Brief History of the Men of Fivehead Village who went to Fight in the Two World Wars)* is also a delightful read.

Parish Council (cont)

Did You Know

- Somerset has been awarded £3.66 million for the pot hole action fund. Don't forget to report any road damage on <http://www.somerset.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-transport/> or by calling the Roads and Transport team on 0300 123 2224.
- BBC Panorama are making a programme on the challenges of providing elderly care and Somerset will be featured for its work in the care sector.
- SCC are looking for more registered childminders - see <http://www.somerset.gov.uk/register> and <https://www.childcarebusinessgrants.com/> if you are interested.
- The South West has around one third of all the private water supplies in England. The quality of private supplies, however, can be extremely variable. It's vital to ensure the safety of your supply for yourself, your guests, livestock or customers. The best way to be sure your supply is fit for use is to have regular testing carried out. Contact Somerset Scientific Services (part of SCC) for information: 01823 355906, SSSmailbox@somerset.gov.uk or www.somersetscientificservices.co.uk
- For kerbside waste collections, without blocking pavement or road, please put bins/containers where they can be easily seen on the edge of your property by 7am on collection day and no earlier than the night before; and take containers in as soon as possible after collections.
- To help recycling crews, separate and sort materials into boxes, without using carrier bags. Use one box if that is all you need. **Box 1 (usually green) Paper - newspapers, magazines, directories, leaflets, white envelopes and other paper. Glass bottles and jars - rinsed, not broken; no table or cook ware or window glass.** **Box 2 (usually black) Food and drink cans - rinsed, squashed, and with tops and steel jar lids inside if possible. Aerosols - only when empty; do not pierce or squash; discard tops and nozzles. Plastic bottles - discard tops, please rinse; no pots, tubs, trays or film. Cardboard - brown corrugated, grey card, greetings cards and brown envelopes – please flatten. Small bits of card can be put into larger boxes before flattening – cut or tear up large pieces. Very large pieces or more than the equivalent of two recycling boxes when flattened should be taken to a recycling centre and may not be collected at the kerbside. Foil - Aluminium foil only; check with scrunch test: squeeze and if it stays scrunched, it can be recycled.**
- **On top or alongside recycle boxes: Textiles - clothes, towels, blankets, sheets, curtains and covers, but not stuffed items, such as duvets, quilts or pillows; put out in plastic bags (not black sacks) to keep dry and please label "textiles". Shoes - tied in pairs and bagged (not black sacks) to keep dry.**
- **During the hot weather a reminder that rubbish collections will start at 6.00am until further notice**

Jill Wardle Parish Clerk

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A Year of Birds in Somerset

Having lived in Fivehead since last April, I decided to make a Photobook of the birds I have seen in Somerset in one year. Amazingly, I have managed to photograph over 100 different species of birds, many of them in and around Fivehead village itself.

A copy of the Photo book, entitled "A Year of Birds in Somerset" is in The Stable and available for anyone to browse through. There is also a page on the Village website where you can see a few of the photos.

It has been great fun putting together the album which is a snapshot of just some of the wonderful and amazing birdlife to be enjoyed in this beautiful county.

The Somerset Levels attract a wide range of birds and we are blessed with a number of nature reserves and conservation projects such as our own Swell Wood which have encouraged an incredible diversity of species to find a home here. Some, such as the Cranes, Bitterns and Marsh Harriers have been reintroduced or attracted back to the moors by the reinstatement of reed beds and marsh habitats. Others, such as the Great White Egret have arrived as visiting migrants, but have now begun to breed here.



I have managed to photograph some birds, such as the Hawfinches and Red-footed Falcon which are very rare visitors to the UK. In fact, my discovery of the Red-footed Falcon attracted

dozens of "twitchers" with huge cameras to the otherwise quiet meadows along the River Isle in Isle Brewers. Others, like the Yellowhammers are quite scarce in some parts of the country, but plentiful in the fields and hedgerows of the Levels. If you listen carefully, you will hear their high-pitched "little bit of bread and NO cheese"! Perhaps my favourite bird in the village is the perky, but feisty Little Owl, who has managed to breed very close to home. But even common birds like the Robin are delightful and very photogenic and have much to teach us. No wonder then that Jesus said, "Consider the birds ..."



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Laurie Burn
July 2018

Village Hall Management Committee

The View from the Village Hall



How lovely to be able to record two happy, dry, sunny and successful events. The Open Gardens came first and was hugely enjoyed. Enormous thanks are due to those who opened their gardens to display their own styles of providing settings for their homes and to the team of organisers and helpers so ably led by Laura Howard. So many turned out to take the tour that the refreshments just held out and people were sitting chatting at the hall when all was supposed to do done and dusted.

The second warm, sunny and successful event was the Village Fete which this year was competing for attention with the World cup and Wimbledon. Richard Hadfield and his team put hours of work into the preparations so it was great to see again so many supporting the afternoon which raises funds for the organisations which provide the ingredients for a traditional English fixture of the summer months. Sadly a decision was made to cancel the Dog Show on welfare grounds due to excessive heat of the preceding weeks which looks set to continue on and on.

Up and coming unless your magazines arrives after the event is a Village Walk. This will be a first and now starts at 3pm from the Hall. It will be guided, covering around 4 miles crossing grazing ground and cropped fields linked by some inevitable lanes. The ground is hard and cracked due to the drought so please wear strong shoes or trainers. On a couple of occasions there is the opportunity to make your way back by a shorter road route if you've "had enough". Dogs are welcome but are to be kept on leads under control and walkers walk at their own risk. There will be free refreshments at the finish but it is intended to put out a bucket for donations towards Hall funds.

In October there will be our popular quiz and supper. Please watch out for the date nearer the time.

The decorating and floor refurbishment is still pending as plans change and grant funding is sought but we hope it won't be too long before the job is done. There was a clean up of the main hall in June which committee members and friends kindly undertook as a stop gap.

100 Club Winners

June Winners

No.42	J&M Crossland	£50.00
No. 18	M.Collingwood~Barford	£25.00
No. 51	I.Gamble	£10.00
No.8	J.Wardle	£10.00

July Winners

No.59	B.Whittle	£50.00
No.5	M.Davey	£25.00
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Fivehead Playing Field News

Play Area Upgrade

Improvements to the safety surfacing in the children's play area are due to begin on Monday 30th July, and are expected to last three days during which the play area will be closed whilst our contractor Play UK carries out the necessary work.

Summer Fete

July 14th was a beautiful sunny day, a pleasure for the hundreds of villagers and visitors, but unfortunately it was too hot for our canine friends so we had to cancel the dog show. The barbecue, ice cream van and bar were kept busy – as were the ladies in the hall serving tea and cakes. Laurie Burn's live music and Gary Smith's commentary kept things moving along nicely, while the Playing Field Committee's skittles, ball in the box and treasure hunt proved popular – a big thank you to the scouts for helping out.

Improving Security

During August we intend to re-set and re-paint the playing field entrance gates, and install a security post to prevent unauthorised vehicles gaining access. Committee members will have keys, as will our grass contractor, and there will be one in the village hall. Arrangements will be made as necessary to cover events. This change comes about following a police survey of security covering the village hall and playing field.

Lady Footballers

A ladies football team will be playing matches on the pitch on the following evenings during August – Wednesdays 15th and 22nd.

Frank Doggett

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Fivehead Fellowship and Leisure Club

The June meeting was our day outing to Swanage. We took the coach to Norden in Dorset going by a scenic route through Wareham Forest. At Norden we boarded a steam train to take us through the beautiful countryside of the Isle of Purbeck, past Corfe castle and onto Swanage in time for lunch with most of us having fish and chips in Harry Ramsden's restaurant. We then had the afternoon to do as we pleased before making our way back by steam train to Norden to pick up the coach for the journey home.

Our July meeting was a talk by Daphne Atkinson on "Life Below Stairs" and based on her mother's experience working at Ickworth House in Suffolk. She told us something about the house and its garden as well as telling us about the duties her mother undertook and about the rules she had to obey. A thoroughly interesting and entertaining talk enjoyed by all.

The village fete was held on July 14th and the clubs tombola stall was a great success making £161 for the club funds. I would like to say a big thank you to all those who ran the stall during the afternoon and all those who donated prize items.

There will not be a meeting in August while the September meeting is our evening Mystery Outing with a coach ride stopping somewhere for a drink and evening meal. If anyone would like to join us please contact me on (01460) 282957. The cost is £14 for the coach plus you will need money for your drinks and food.

Anyone who would like to join the club will be more than welcome to come. We are a very friendly group that enjoy as well as the talks, lunches and outings a nice cup of tea, biscuits and a good chat after the meetings. The annual subscription is only £7 while the tea and biscuits are 50p. Visitors are also welcomed to attend with a charge of £1 per meeting.

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We have tickets on Valentine's Evening for The Comedy About a Bank Robbery by the fantastic team that gave us hysterics in July with The Play That Goes Wrong. Other new treats in store are Birmingham Royal Ballet in Beauty & the Beast, Friday 3rd May, and the hit musical Fame, Tuesday 11th June.

Payment is due in September for Jersey Boys, Benidorm & Swan Lake. After September I cannot guarantee tickets will be available for these at Bristol, but worth the ask!

Our coach goes from Curry Rivel, Langport, Somerton, then Street/Wells or Keinton Mandeville/Shepton Mallet depending on bookings. Any profit is donated to charity.

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Fri 26 th. Oct	La Cenerentola (Rossini opera)	£55
Thu 8th. Nov	Jersey Boys	£47/£63
Wed 21st. Nov	Benidorm	£46
Thu 29th. Nov	Swan Lake (English National Ballet)	£60/£72
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Wed 16th. Jan	Motown The Musical	£52/£72
Thu 14th. Feb	Comedy Bank Robbery	£38/£52
Thu 7th. Mar	Kinky Boots	£51/£60
Wed 13th. Mar	Matthew Bourne's Swan Lake	£51/£61
Thu 11th. April	The Magic Flute (Opera)	£56/£69
Thu 18th. April	Rock of Ages (Comedy Musical)	£41/£50
Fri 3rd. May	Beauty & the Beast	£37/£47
Tue 21st. May	Matilda (Evening)	£62/£72
Wed 29th. May	Matilda (Half Term Matinee)	£62/£72
Thu 6th. June	Matilda (overspill dependant on demand may not run)	£62/£72
Tue 11th. June	Fame	£45/£54

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Scott's Spot

A Drought ?

You don't need me to tell you that in recent weeks the weather has been exceptionally hot and dry. At the time of writing, we haven't yet reached hosepipe ban levels, but with some ponds, rivers and springs drying up, and my garden looking rather parched, I find myself longing for rain. Such moments in our usually fairly damp climate are rare; will we be talking about the long hot summers of 1976 and 2018 in the same breath? In Israel however, as elsewhere in the Middle East, this situation is all too common. In these regions water is a precious and treasured resource, and for those living where there is consistently little rain, this is not just an inconvenience but a potential threat to life itself.

It was into this context that Jesus said some extraordinary things; words that reveal Him to be either spectacularly deluded or of universal significance. Jesus said, *'If you are thirsty come to me and drink. As the scripture has said: "Streams of living water will flow from the heart of whoever believes in me"'* (John chapter 7 verses 37 and 38).

Quite a claim in its own right, but the occasion made these words even more remarkable. Jesus spoke of himself in this way during a festival called the 'Feast of Tabernacles', a day of celebration in which the Jewish people remember God's miraculous provision of water from a rock during Israel's time in the wilderness under Moses' leadership.

At the highlight of that festival came a ceremonial pouring out of water reminding the gathered crowds of that event where God turned despair into hope, doubt into faith, and near-certain death into a celebration of life. As Jesus spoke those words, He was promising this and much more. Here was a promise for an undreamt of quality of life; an inner peace and fulfilment, alongside fresh purpose. In short, a new life in relationship with him as different as a baked desert is to an oasis.

The good news is that Jesus' promise is as true today as when he first spoke those words. In a thirsty world where many hearts are wilting through spiritual drought, Jesus offers living water. As the long hot summer of 2018 continues, is there a drought in your life you could actually do something about?

With prayer and blessing for you and those you love this summer,

Revd. Scott Patterson.

DIARY THESE ARE CELEBRATIONS OF HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) AT 10.30 am ON THE FIRST AND THIRD THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH IN THE OLD SCHOOLROOM BEHIND CURRY RIVEL CHURCH. BCP = Book of Common Prayer, CW = Common Worship, UB = United Benefice

AUG 5th.. Tenth Sunday after Trinity

10.00am All Age Family worship followed by	Fivehead
11.00am Short Holy Communion (CW)	Fivehead
6.00pm Evening Prayer (CW)	Curry Rivel

12th. Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

10.00am UB ALL AGE COMMUNION (CW)	Fivehead
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19th. Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

10.00am UB ALLAGE COMMUNION (CW)	Curry Rivel
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26th Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

10.00am UB ALL AGE COMMUNION (CW)	Swell
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SEPT 2nd. Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

10.00am All Age Family Worship followed by	Fivehead
11.00am Short Holy Communion (CW)	Fivehead
2.00pm. Teddy Bears Picnic + Cream Tea	Fivehead
6.00pm. Evening Prayer (CW)	Curry Rivel

9th. Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Holy Communion (BCP)	Swell
11.00am. Holy Communion (CW) with Sunday Club	Curry Rivel
6.00pm. Evening Prayer (CW)	Fivehead

MON 10th 3.30pm MESSY CHURCH

Curry Rivel School

16th. Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am. Holy Communion (CW)	Curry Rivel
9.30am. Morning Prayer (CW)	Fivehead
11.15am. All age Harvest Celebration Followed by Bring & Share Harvest Lunch in The Old School Room	Curry Rivel

23rd. Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

9.15am. Holy Communion (CW)	Curry Rivel
11.00am. Holy Communion (CW)	Fivehead
6.00pm. HARVEST EVENSONG followed by CIDER & APPLE CAKE	Swell

30th. Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

10.00am. UB ALL AGE COMMUNION	Swell
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St Martins Bell Ringers

Why not join the **St Martins Bell Ringers** meeting on **Tuesday** evening at **7.15pm**. We are hoping to have as many bell ringers as possible to commemorate the 100 years since the end of the **First World War** in **November**. New members always welcome. Further details from

Meg Tyler 01460281574

Fivehead Drama Group

We would like to thank all those people who supported our **Summer Revue Night** and made it such a great success. Our biggest ever audience at a summer revue of 70 who, from the comments passed enjoyed an evening of comedy singing and a hilarious one act play set in a radio broadcasting studio. All this and a delicious ploughman's supper during the interval.

Thank you all once again and we now turn our thoughts to next January's pantomime. So if you would like to join us to act sing or just make and move scenery don't forget we meet on the last **Tuesday** of the month (apart from when in rehearsal) at **The Crown Inn at 8.00pm.**

Also a big thank you to all those who donated prizes to the Village Fete Raffle due to your generosity a goodly sum was raised on the day to the benefit of the Village Hall, the Playing Field and the Drama Group

We have applied for a lottery grant for improved sound equipment which could be of benefit to all users of the hall so we keep our fingers crossed for a successful outcome.

Short Mat Bowls

Closing Down Sale everything must go

All you need to play Short mat Bowls 4 mats, wheeled storage dolly for 2 mats, 2 scoreboards, bowls and all the equipment needed.

This is the advert that could be appearing in a future issue of this magazine. We NEED more members to participate in Short Mat Bowls.

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Baptist Church



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Letter from The Manse

At the time of writing, we are in the middle of the longest and hottest heat wave since 1976. (Karen and I well remember 1976 as we had just graduated from Durham University and set out on a long youth hostelling hike around Shropshire, which was tinder dry!) Indeed, only yesterday in Fivehead the field next to the Village Hall caught fire and a lot of valuable straw went up in smoke.

Thankfully, no people were injured or buildings damaged, unlike in the dreadful fires that have been raging in Greece or the severe heatwave that has caused many deaths in Japan. Ironically, only a few weeks ago, severe flooding in Japan caused devastation, whilst it is only a few months since Fivehead was in the grip of freezing snow and ice!

Clearly, our weather patterns are changing, with increasing numbers of reports of extreme conditions in many countries. There is no doubt (barring the inevitable climate sceptics) that our climate is heating up, and that human activity since the industrial revolution is accelerating the change. Sir David Attenborough has also recently highlighted the problem of plastic waste – human created – and the threat to many precious species.

As Christians we should be even more concerned about the state of the earth as Psalm 24 says, *'The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it'*. The earth belongs to its Creator, but we humans have been put in charge. It is not ours to mess up! For more information about how Christians are responding to environmental issues check out the *John Ray Initiative* www.jri.org.uk and *A Rocha* www.arocha.org.


To celebrate the wonderful diversity of wildlife in our own Somerset Levels, we are planning to put on an Exhibition of Wildlife Photography in The Stable and the Baptist Church Hall next March, to coincide with the Heron nesting season at Swell Wood. Watch this space! In the meantime, some of my photos of birds around Fivehead can also be seen on the village website.

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Folk and Acoustic Music Night—Crown Inn

The Music Nights have proved very popular, with a wide range of talented local performers, and some delicious meals cooked by Jacqui.

Music has included traditional Somerset Folk songs, Americana, Irish instrumentals and original songs.

July's guests **Peter and The Rabibts** (Pictured right) were superb and delighted the audience with their 4- part harmony singing, good humour and multi-instrumental talent.

We have therefore decided to continue Folk & Acoustic Music Nights at the Crown on the third Saturday of each month, thanks to the kind hospitality of Steve & Jacqui Chastell.



We will take a break in August, but return on **Saturday 15th.. September-** Guest to be confirmed in due course.

I can, however,, reveal that I have managed to book one of the finest traditional singers and a superb guitarist, **Si Barron** (pictured left) to play on October 20th. Not to be missed

Previous artists appearing at **The Crown on Folk & Acoustic nights** include **Mike Highfield** pictured right.

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Wow what a night (21st July) this was another great night of folk and acoustics.
Thanks' to Laurie once again for finding such great acts to come and perform for us. Can't wait 'till the next one?

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Friday 24th August (Bank Holiday weekend) BBQ, on the burners will be Marinated pork and chicken, beef burgers, sausages, fish: accompanied with homemade coleslaw and potato salad £7.95pp

Saturday 15th September Folk and Acoustic Night with a Sweet n Sour chicken supper (pre-ordered) #6.00

Saturday 20th October Folk and Acoustic Night (supper to be announced) plus other Dates to follow

We look forward to seeing you in the coming months

. Steve & Jacqui Chastell

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Crown Fivehead Golf Society

The golf society held a successful Charity Golf day at Long Sutton Golf Club on Friday 15th. June and raised the magnificent sum of £800.00 on the day. Together with monies carried over from last year's raffle and two items auction by the charity we have a total of over £1500.00 to donate to the charity which is **The Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance**.

By the end of the year, with money to come from our remaining outings we hope to see this figure increase still further.

Our thanks to all those who took part and all those who purchased tickets for the raffle both this year and last. Harry Price Chairman

The Fivehead Village Fete on Saturday 14th. July 2018

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Gardening Club News

Garden Watering Tips

I'm sure many of you are finding this long hot Summer just a little tedious when it comes to garden watering. So, what can you do to keep your precious plants alive using as little water as possible? These are some tips from the BBC;

Target your watering - Make the most of your supply all year round by mulching beds, fitting automatic irrigation systems and water butts and by targeting your watering.

Water-saving tips - Add water-retaining gel to compost in containers - or buy compost with granules already included - this is particularly effective in hanging baskets. Top up containers with a decorative mulch, such as polished pebbles or tumbled glass chippings to prevent moisture loss.

Lawns - Longer grass deals better with drought, so raise lawnmower blades to a higher level.

Beds and borders - Spread a layer of mulch across the soil to lock in moisture. These can be applied at any time of the year but are best after planting in the autumn or after tidying beds in spring. To help funnel water directly to the roots sink a flower pot or an upside-down plastic bottle with the bottom cut off into the soil next to plants and water into it.

Effective watering - Either water in the morning or the evening, allow plants to soak up moisture before the hottest part of the day. Target the part of the plant that needs water. This means watering the area of the soil above the roots, but don't saturate, because some of the water will evaporate or run off. Watering plants less frequently, but more thoroughly helps them to develop deep root systems that are better equipped to seek out moisture in the soil.

Using grey water - Grey water should be used with care but can be useful in times of water shortages. Plants can be watered with shower, bath, kitchen and washing machine water (from rinse cycles), collectively referred to as 'grey' water. It varies in quality and may contain contaminants such as soap and detergent. Fortunately, soil and potting composts are effective at filtering them out, and the residues can sometimes act as a mild fertiliser. To minimise bacterial growth, grey water should be saved for only 24 hours. An exception is on edible crops, due to the risk of contamination from pathogens in the water. Salts used in them can damage soil structure, particularly if rich in clay.

Hopefully this will see you through to some wetter cooler weather Fivehead Gardening Club are a friendly bunch who meet occasionally to visit gardens, drink tea and eat cake, sometimes get our hands dirty and then drink tea and eat more cake! If you'd like to come along, please contact Pip Brett 01460 281115 (pipbrett@me.com)

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Food and Drink

As Olly & Rebecca are taking a well earned break (Langford reopens 7th.August) so this month we have

The Clerk's Choice

Easy peasy chicken bake (serves 6)

1.2kg frozen peas (ideally petit pois)

600g leeks (in 2.5cm slices)

3 cloves of garlic (chopped)

6 tbsp dry cider or vermouth or wine

2 tbsp olive oil

Sea salt flakes

Bunch of dill

12 chicken thighs (skin-on)

Set oven at 200°C / Gas Mark 6.

Add frozen peas, leeks, garlic, chosen alcohol, oil, salt and most of dill to large (30cmx40cm) roasting tin – mix well.

Add chicken (skin-side up) on surface; drizzle with oil and sprinkle with salt.

Roast for 45 mins and then check that the liquid has not evaporated (the ice from the peas should provide plenty of steam) and that nothing is burning; stir peas if necessary.

Bake for further 30mins. Chicken should be tender with a crisp skin on a bed of soft and sweet-tasting peas and leeks. Add remaining dill to decorate. Serve with crusty bread or crisp roast potatoes.



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Wine pairings for this month's recipe Easy Peasy Chicken Bake

Wine selection by Paddy Magill Vine Wine

- **White –2017 Sauvignon Blanc, The Cloud Factory, Marlborough– New Zealand - £9.00**

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- **Rose--2017 Pasquiers Rose Vin de Pays d'Oc-France - £7.00**

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- **Red - 2017 Old Vine Cinsault, Percheron, Western Cape-South Africa- £7.65**

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Day/Date/Time		Description	Where
Mon 13th. August Monday 10th. Sept	11.00am	Informal church service (residents lounge)	St. Martins Close
Wed 5th September	7.00pm.	First aid training with Red Cross	Baptist Church Hall
Monday 10th. Sept	10.00am.	Stepping Stones Baby & Toddler group restarts	Baptist Church
Sat 15th. September	7.30pm	Folk & Acoustic Music night	Crown Inn
Friday 21st. September		Newsletter deadline	
Tuesdays @ 6.30pm Thursdays @ 10.00am	Weekly	Pilates	Village Hall
Tuesdays @ 7.15pm	Weekly	Bellringing	St. Martins
Wednesdays @ 4.45pm	Weekly	Dragonfly's	Village Hall
Thursdays @ 7.00pm	Weekly	Bridge Club	Village Hall
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