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# Parish Council

## Parish Council News

With a wet June and a hot (so far) July, combined with all the news about the environment, there have been quite a few 'grass-related' issues to consider. The District Council (SSDC) team do a good job mowing our grassy areas with a fortnightly cut in the Summer. This year they had a challenging time avoiding the many pyramidal orchids flowering everywhere. The rear half of the cemetery had a splendid display of wild flowers. This area gets mown in mid-late July in line with the historical mowing pattern that maximises seeding whilst keeping the area tidy. We have also been in contact with Somerset Wildlife Trust about their Fivehead Arable Fields Nature Reserve management plan. They have kindly offered a guided weekday walk in June 2020.



Somerset County Council (SCC) is responsible for the verges and footpaths. Feedback has been given to them about the state of some roadside verges where a combination of only one cut and the wet weather meant that the cut was not clean with debris left in situ. The poor visibility at the top of Ganges Hill because of the vegetation on the roadside has been reported and is being kept under review. The excellent footpath website <https://roam.somerset.gov.uk/roam/Dashboard/Welcome> has been used by several parishioners to report overgrown footpaths in Higher Swell and on the Isle Abbots Drove – we hope that this will result in some clearance action.



Our thanks go to: Greenshutters Garden Centre for donating trees and plants for Langford Corner, to SSDC for offering to mow the grass there at no extra cost this year and to Mr & Mrs Hanney for mowing the grass there at short notice; to the various volunteers who have cleared the area by the telephone box; to the Stable café for the WW1 Memorial Seat on the Village Green and to Ken Male for installing it; and to the Kier Conservation Team and local volunteers who have restored the St Catherine's Well and surrounds.

SSDC are currently developing an Environment Strategy and we will be discussing what initiatives might promote sustainable living in our village. **All your ideas are welcomed.**

SSDC are also consulting on a review of the South Somerset Local Plan <https://www.southsomerset.gov.uk/your-council/your-council-plan-and-strategies/planning-policy/local-plan-review-2016-2036/>. This includes the proposed strategy for new homes and employment between 2016-36, including site allocations and policies against which planning applications are assessed. The consultation will be discussed at the August and September meetings of the Parish Council – **please let us know what you think.**

**We also need to hear what you think about this:** parishioners in Swell tell us that road signage needs to be improved as delivery drivers get confused. SCC could install signs at a cost of c£300 per location. Please let the Clerk know whether or not you support the installation of two signs at a cost of c£600 from the Parish budget.

**Dates for the next meetings of the Parish Council are:**

- 2000 on Monday 5 August 2019
- 2000 on Monday 2 September 2019
- 1930 on Monday 7 October 2019

*We have been made aware that a planning application for up to 17 houses between Butchers Hill and Ganges Hill may be submitted. If this occurs, a separate Planning meeting will be organised and advertised to meet the anticipated public interest.*

**ALL WELCOME**

**Stay up-to-date with developments by signing-up to the village email list – contact the Parish Clerk Jill Wardle**

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# Parish Council (cont)

## Did you know?

Recycle boxes outside on collection day are a vital part of Somerset's waste success story. Somerset's recycling rate is significantly above South-West and England averages, and it has been independently ranked as a carbon reduction high-flyer annually since 2012. Annual waste figures for 2018-19 show that Somerset's recycling and reuse is up 0.13% to 52.41% and more than 90% of that is being recycled in the UK. More kerbside collections of extra weekly recycling and three-weekly rubbish collections will start rolling out from mid-2020.

Sunny weather with al fresco meals can bring the risk of fires in refuse bins, collection trucks and at landfill sites from portable barbeque trays or coals. Please do not add embers, ash or charcoal from domestic or garden fires or barbeques to your rubbish bin or black sacks.

**Big and bulky?** Collections of furniture, white goods and other large or bulky items costs £44.50 for up to three items, plus £12.30 per item for up to two further items. Each item must be able to be carried by no more than two collectors. This service avoids using man-and-van operators whose suspiciously cheap deals risk your possessions being fly-tipped and could put you in court for failing to properly look after your waste. Contact SSDC on 01935 462462 or visit [www.southsomerset.gov.uk](http://www.southsomerset.gov.uk) for details.

**Advice from the Royal Mail and Trading Standards** [www.devonsomersettradingstandards.gov.uk/](http://www.devonsomersettradingstandards.gov.uk/):

**Beware of rogue traders selling mattresses and garden furniture** from the back of vans. These items may be unsafe and fail to comply with flammability regulations or might already be worn out, stolen or overpriced. The goods may be wrapped so you don't know what you're buying. The traders may also not provide the correct paperwork and 14-day cooling-off period, and may give bogus details so they can't be traced. If you are approached at home or out and about and offered goods from the back of a van, don't buy anything. If you do want to buy the types of items being offered, get them from a reputable business that provides paperwork including a legitimate address. You can ask friends and family to recommend good businesses. Alternatively, you can find local, trustworthy businesses through the Buy With Confidence scheme.

**Beware of rogue roofers** A favourite tactic of rogue traders is to target the houses of vulnerable people, making up problems about their roof or chimney. They may deliberately cause damage then offer to fix it – for a fee. They may convince the resident to let them inspect the problem and claim it is serious and urgent. If the resident believes them and hires them to do the work, the rogue traders may overcharge for a poor-quality or incomplete job, or take the money up front and vanish without doing any work.

Not all traders who cold-call are rogue traders, but it's important to remember the golden rules:

Never agree to work from someone you think might be a rogue trader.

If you're not sure, don't open the door.

If an offer seems too good to be true, it probably is.

Use your door chain when opening the door to strangers.

Properly check the identity of callers before opening the door.

Keep doors and windows secure.

**If you think a crime is being committed now or you are in danger, call the Police on 999 immediately. For non-emergencies, call the Police on 101.**

**The Somerset Community Connect website** [www.somersetcommunityconnect.org.uk](http://www.somersetcommunityconnect.org.uk) is full of information and advice that can help you and the individuals you support to make local links that will help make life better. If you're supporting someone who is looking for groups and activities or community transport; struggling with loneliness, finance or arthritis; the site provides information that could make all the difference. A 'What's relevant to me?' search feature helps individuals to find what they are after, whether it's for themselves or someone they might know.



# Red Cross Thank You

May I express through your publication our thanks for the public's support for the Langport & District Red Cross 2019 Red Cross Week collection?

We raised £1801.75, somewhat lower than usual due to losing House-to-House collectors in several of our local villages. We thank those we did manage to reach for their generosity and the volunteers who so kindly gave of their time to collect for us. The service provided by our Red Cross group is much appreciated in South Somerset area.

A special thank you to Tesco Extra, Yeovil and Williams Supermarket, Somerton, where our bucket collections raised £900.25; £487.77 in Yeovil and £412.48 in Somerton.

We are appealing for new House-to-House volunteers in Somerton, Aller, Babcary, Langport & Huish Episcopi, Long Load, Long Sutton, Kingsbury Episcopi, Low Ham, Curry Rivel & Pitney. All we ask is a few hours once a year, during the week which contains 8<sup>th</sup> May, the birthday of Henri Dunant, our Swiss founder. New volunteers are assured of a very warm welcome if they phone 01458 273085 or e-mail [cox.cj@btinternet.com](mailto:cox.cj@btinternet.com)

## Waggy Tails for Fivehead's First Fun Dog Show

Fivehead held its first ever Fun Dog Show at the Village Fete last Saturday, and what a success it was! Many of the classes from 'Best Biscuit Catcher' to 'Fastest Sit' were filled with very talented and beautiful doggies. Congratulations goes to all the class winners and everyone who took part. Special congratulations go to Tazia and her Mummy Christina for winning Best in Show.

I would like to thank everyone who took part and all those who helped to make it a fun afternoon.

Particular thanks go to Christine of Klever K9s fame ([www.kleverk9s.co.uk](http://www.kleverk9s.co.uk)) who had the very tricky task of judging, which she managed to do without making any children cry (sorry, inside joke!). We would also like to thank Ned and Sue from Dial a Dog Wash mobile groomers from Curry Rivel ([www.dialadogwash.com/content/dial-dog-wash-somerset-curry-rivel](http://www.dialadogwash.com/content/dial-dog-wash-somerset-curry-rivel)) for their generosity in providing the prizes and tasty dog treats.

Being the first ever dog show it was a bit of a risk and I would like to thank the Fete organisers for having faith in us. Looking forward to seeing you all again next year for some more doggie fun at the Fete.

Pip Brett



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# *Village Hall Management Committee*

## *The View from the Village Hall*



We were blessed with fair weather for the Fete and trust all who were able to be there had a good afternoon. Tables were covered with entries for the Annual Flower and Produce Show which also included a wide variety of crafts and photos. This year the Dog Show, a first for Fivehead, was able to go ahead, last year it was too hot. This brought in people from outside the village and competition was fierce. As judge, Christine Smith worked tirelessly all afternoon and there appeared little or no carping over the placings. Richard Hadfield and his team masterminded the Fete, its layout and attractions and Pip Brett the Dog Show while Laurie and Karen kept us musically entertained. We thank all the organisers and stall holders, participants and helpers for their support.

On Bank Holiday Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup> Rebecca and Ollie have generously offered their beautiful gardens at the Langford for **Cream Teas** complete with a Pimms bar and raffle all in aid of the Village Hall. This was declared a fabulous afternoon when held in 2017 so do look out for detailed posters and come along from 3pm.

The main hall floor is being refurbished on the 25<sup>th</sup> of July. This means a few classes and events have had to be cancelled. By the time you read this the job, a large one taking several days, will have been completed and the grants from the National Lottery will have been spent for the purposes they were donated. The Lottery have asked all recipients to mark the occasion of their quarter century and the Parish Council, the Village Hall, the Playing Field, and the Fivehead Under Fives, now sadly closed, have all benefited over this period. A celebratory photo was taken at the Fete and has been sent to the organisation. An event will be held in the autumn to mark the appreciation of the community for the generous support from the Lottery given over the last twenty five years. This is a condition of receiving funds – to publicise the Big Lottery.

Any Hall related questions or to offer to join the committee, contact Kevin on 281395, Margaret on 281341 or

## *Short Mat Bowling*

Hi All

Yes, definitely all! Even though Fivehead Short Mat bowls has finished for the summer, we would love you “all” to consider joining us for our autumn/ winter season. The bowls restarts on Monday 2nd September. At the Village Hall, 7.30pm to 9.30pm. There is no pressure or obligation. We are a friendly & supportive bunch. Not only are refreshments available, your first session is FREE. Come and have a go, you might enjoy it! Any other questions give me a call Heather 01460 281995

## *Royal Voluntary Service*

The Royal Voluntary Service is currently looking to recruit volunteers for a variety of roles within the Home Library Service. The Home Library Service exists to ensure people who cannot get to the library due to poor health or mobility or caring responsibilities, but enjoy reading can still receive library books free of charge by a Royal Voluntary Service volunteer who will choose, deliver and befriend an individual in their home.

If you would like to know more about volunteering for the Home Library Service or alternatively receiving the Home Library Service please contact [kirsty.jenssen@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk](mailto:kirsty.jenssen@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk)





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# Fivehead Playing Field News

## Summer Fete

The fete turned out to be a great success, with a big attendance. Playing Field Committee members were kept busy all afternoon with visitors eager to play our games – Ball-in-the-Box, Bean Bag Throwing and Table Skittles. A big thank you to our treasurer Graham Land who made these beautifully crafted attractions – and it was also Graham who organised the Classic Car and Bike Show which drew in a record number of enthusiasts. New this year was the Fun Dog Show which is bound to become a regular feature of the annual fete judging by its popularity – thanks to Pip Brett for making it such a success. So many people – most villagers in fact – are involved in the fete – the craft and produce show, doing the teas, running other attractions etc., and they all deserve congratulations for their efforts.

## New Tent

Our new marquee made its first public appearance at the fete on 13 July giving potential hirers the opportunity to admire the flexible accommodation which makes it suitable for a variety of functions from small get-togethers through to a full on wedding reception, either on the playing field or offsite, at competitive hire charges to include putting up and taking down. Folding chairs are also available to hire. Ask for details if we can help with your celebration plans.

## Football on the Playing Field

We are trying to get a league team to play at Fivehead, but nothing is definite yet. Meanwhile we welcome back Wellington Ladies who will be playing a pre – season friendly here on 21 August, kick off at 6.30pm.

## We Need You

Many people new to the area don't know Fivehead Playing Field is a registered charity and depends largely on the goodwill of committee members and well – wishers to organise fund raising activities and carry out jobs which take an hour or two every now and then. We need a few more of you to join us, so please think about how you can be of help and let me know.

## Tree Damage

Someone has ruined the young oak tree at the bottom of the playing field by snapping it in half. This was planted to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, and we will look for a replacement in the Autumn.

Frank Doggett

Chairman

01460 281549



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On the 4<sup>th</sup> June we boarded our coach for our trip to West Bay for coffee and a walk on the beach made famous by the Broadchurch series on ITV. We then made our way to the sub tropical garden at Abbotsbury for lunch and a stroll around the garden. After a few hours wandering around and admiring the beautiful gardens we then made our way home via Weymouth and Dorchester.

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> July Laurie Burn the Baptist Minister gave a very interesting talk on making guitars and played and sang to us as well. Another enjoyable afternoon was had by all.

On Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July the village held its annual fete in the hall/playing field. I would like to especially thank all those who gave of their time to look after our tombola stall during the afternoon. I would also like to thank all those club members who so generously donated prizes. Due to every ones generosity the club made £132 to help with our club funds. So to all those who helped please give yourselves a pat on your back.

There will not be any meeting in August so our next meeting is the Mystery Trip on the 3<sup>rd</sup> September, leaving St. Martins Close at 4.00pm. If anyone would like to join us for this trip but have not yet put their name down on the form please contact me and I will be delighted to add your name to the list. The cost is £15 for the coach and you will need money for the pub food/drinks during the trip.

The October meeting will be a talk by Lottie Dale on "Flying With Style". This will be on the 1<sup>st</sup> October in the village hall starting at 2.30pm.

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.

If you have any enquiries regarding the club please ring me on (01460) 282957

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- Matthew Bourne's **The Red Shoes**, Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March £61 and £39.
- **The Lion King** Matinee Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October at £90
- **The King and I** Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March at £53 and £70.
- **Carmen** , Welsh National Opera's new production on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March at £55.
- **We Will Rock You (Queen)** on Wednesday 18 March, £45/£58.

All of these have a payment date in the New Year, but the sooner you reserve the better seats you will receive. There is no charge for cancellation until I have paid for the tickets.

Our coach goes from Curry Rivel, Langport, Somerton, then Street/Wells or Keinton Mandeville/Shepton Mallet depending on bookings. Payment is usually due about two months before the show date. Any profit is donated to charity.

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<b>2019</b>		
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Thur Oct 31st.	The Lion King	£92
Wed Nov 13th	The Lion King	£65/£82
<b>2020</b>		
Tue March 3rd	The Red Shoes	£93/£61
Fri March 13th	Carmen	£55
Wed March 18th	We will Rock You	£45/£58
Thur March 26th	The King & I	£53/£70



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## St Catherine's Swell



## Churchwarden

Anna Rees Tel: 01458 253067

## Scott's Spot – August 2019 Lord bless and guide them!

Our politicians have been in the news a great deal recently, and as I write it's just a week before we learn who is to be our next Prime Minister - Jeremy or Boris. Brexit and then the process of the Conservative Party choosing a new leader has meant that our MPs have been under sustained scrutiny and pressure for months. Ahhh, poor them, I hear you say!

I wonder though, have you ever prayed for them? Here's what the apostle Paul writes in one of his letters (1 Timothy chapter 2 vs. 1&2) ***'I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people – for kings and all those in authority...'*** Pray for those in authority, says Paul, and in today's world that means to pray for those in positions of local, national and international government. But does praying for these people really change anything? Many today have decided that it doesn't, and that the only effective way to ensure our politicians take notice of anything is to take 'direct action'. And I can understand why this might seem like the only route. Over the years some politicians do seem to have had their own agendas, and a preparedness to put personal or party interests before the good of the nation.

I think it's worth pausing, however, to consider the 'lose, lose' world in which our politicians live and work. Whatever decision they take, however laudable, will *always* face opposition. They may make a stand on a moral issue such as supporting developing nations through aid; they may push for an alternative economic system designed to be fairer; they may support forward-looking policies such as better funding for our schools and a health care system that values the care of the elderly enough to fund it properly. We may even agree with all they say, but will we still do so when those policies have a direct impact on us? How will we respond when they cost us, perhaps affecting our job, where we can live, or our own health care? When difficult decisions need to be made they simply cannot please all the people all the time, and in a culture where vicious, personal attack on those we disagree with is tragically becoming more prevalent, this is a tough place to be.

The world around us is a complex place. Few subjects can be dealt with in isolation, and decisions made often have far-reaching effects. In the end it's not us, but those who make them, who will be held to account. So for everyone reading this who ever prays, can I encourage you to pray for our leaders? As God puts it in Proverbs chapter 8: ***'I have good advice and sound wisdom; I have insight, I have strength. It is at my discretion that kings reign, rulers make just decrees and leaders govern wisely'***.

In their 'lose, lose' position the Jeremys and Borises of this world, need all the help they can get. Now, and in the future, will you pray for them, asking that amongst the avalanche of human advice, they might also know within them God's good wisdom, insight and strength to govern wisely? There may be no greater need at this point in world history. With summer blessings of peace and hope in Christ (whoever our new PM is).

Revd. Scott.



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<b>4th.</b>	<b>10.00am United Benefice All age Communion</b>	<b>Curry Rivel</b>
<b>11th.</b>	<b>Eighth Sunday after Trinity</b>	
	<b>10.00am United Benefice All age Communion</b>	<b>Fivehead</b>
<b>18th.</b>	<b>Ninth Sunday after Trinity</b>	
	<b>10.00am United Benefice All age Communion</b>	<b>Curry Rivel</b>
<b>25th.</b>	<b>Tenth Sunday after Trinity</b>	
	9.15am Holy Communion (CW)	<b>Curry Rivel</b>
	11.00am Holy Communion (CW)	<b>Fivehead</b>
	6.00pm Evensong (BCP)	<b>Swell</b>
<b>SEPT 1st.</b>	<b>Eleventh Sunday after Trinity</b>	
	10.00am All age Family Worship followed by	<b>Fivehead</b>
	11.00am Short Holy Communion (CW)	<b>Fivehead</b>
	6.00pm Evening Worship (CW)	<b>Curry Rivel</b>
<b>SAT 7th.</b>	<b>3.00-5.00pm Teddy Bears Picnic + Cream Teas</b>	<b>Fivehead</b>
<b>8th.</b>	<b>Twelfth Sunday after Trinity</b>	
	9.30am Holy Communion (BCP)	<b>Swell</b>
	11.00am Holy Communion (CW) with Sunday Club	<b>Curry Rivel</b>
	6.00pm Evening Prayer (CW)	<b>Fivehead</b>
<b>MON 10th.</b>	<b>3.30pm Messy Church</b>	<b>Curry Rivel School</b>
<b>15th.</b>	<b>Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity</b>	
	8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)	<b>Curry Rivel</b>
	9.30am Morning Prayer (CW)	<b>Fivehead</b>
	10.00am All Age Family Service with Sunday Club	<b>Curry Rivel</b>
	11.15am Short Holy Communion (CW)	<b>Curry Rivel</b>
<b>22nd.</b>	<b>Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity</b>	
	9.15am Holy Communion (CW)	<b>Curry Rivel</b>
	11.00am Holy Communion (CW)	<b>Fivehead</b>
	<b>6.00pm Harvest Evensong followed by Cider &amp; Apple Cake</b>	<b>Swell</b>
<b>29th.</b>	<b>Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity</b>	
	<b>10.00am United Benefice All age Communion</b>	<b>Swell</b>



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A new edition of Our Local Expert is currently being compiled, and is asking for suggestions of businesses it should feature. Tradesmen you would be happy recommending to friends & neighbours, people you would feel confident letting into your home.

Businesses like being featured in the guide as it enhances their reputation and wins them good local domestic customers.

If you have any local businesses you have used and trust, recommend them so that they can feature in the guide call 01823 218222 or email [nick@OurLocalExpert.co.uk](mailto:nick@OurLocalExpert.co.uk).

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No. 7	M&S Walters	£15.00
No. 71	D. Male	£10.00

## Fivehead Drama Group

**The Summer Revue on Friday 5th. July** was a sell out with a maximum ticket sales of **80**. We would like to thank all those who attended and hope you all enjoyed the evening. There were no tickets available on the door as we were sold out 36 hours before the event. Our thanks to **The Crown Inn & The Stable** for their hard work in selling all the tickets

Work is already underway for next year's Pantomime, an in-house script with some local extra special connections. **The Pied Piper Off Of Hambridge** details of the dates & performances will follow in due course.

Due to a very successful year we are able to contribute **£250 each** to **The Playing Field & The Village Hall**.

Anybody interested in joining the group can contact

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**Kevin Stevens** 01460 281395 or by e-mail [kevinmstevens11@gmail.com](mailto:kevinmstevens11@gmail.com)





## Letter from The Manse

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"Charity begins at home" – or so the popular saying goes.

There is certainly some truth in that: The apostle James writes, *'Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and food. If you say to them "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about his needs, what good is it?'* Jesus also said, *"Love your neighbour as yourself"*. Often, our 'neighbour' may be someone very close to home - in our family or community – who has needs we can supply.

However, charity should not *end* at home. There is a vast world of need out there and we should not ignore our 'neighbours' who are brothers and sisters who live overseas. Indeed, their needs are often far greater than ours. To put it in perspective, for example, one school in Kenya, which Karen and I have visited several times has a pumped well which has recently run dry, so they now have to bring water 3km using wheelbarrows to supply the 200 children!

Karen and I will be travelling to Kenya in September, leading a small group from the Baptist Church who will be visiting IcFEM (Inter-Christian Fellowships' Evangelical Mission) [www.icfem-mission.org](http://www.icfem-mission.org). IcFEM is an indigenous Kenyan organisation in a town called Kimilili in the Western highlands of Kenya which brings together Christians from many different churches in each local area to bring about community transformation. This is achieved through education, medical care, agricultural development, and care of the vulnerable – all of which flow from the Good News of Jesus. I am a trustee of IcFEM Europe which helps raise funds to support the work done by Kenyans, and Karen runs the School Sponsorship programme as well as supporting a group of disabled ladies who have formed a knitting co-operative. The mission statement of IcFEM is *"Holy Living & Hard Work"*.



Charity is not about giving hand-outs to people, but rather giving people a hand-up to help themselves transform their own lives and those of their communities. We should never do something for someone if they can and should do it for themselves – this is disempowerment. Rather, if we can equip and empower people to improve their own lives, then whole communities can be transformed.

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# Folk and Acoustic Music Night—Crown Inn

Every seat was filled at the Crown Inn for the renowned singer/songwriter from Crewkerne, **Reg Meuross**, who regaled us with a wonderful collection of his songs, each of which told a story. Reg joked that quite a few of his songs are based on true stories of characters whose names are now used by Weatherspoons pubs! He asked Weatherspoons if he could do some concerts in their pubs, but was refused due to their policy of not having music. They did, however, give him a free meal!



Reg's clear tenor voice, with fine fingerstyle guitar accompaniment, along with amusing anecdotes gave the audience a fantastic evening's entertainment.



We also enjoyed fine and varied performances from floorsingers **Laurie & Karen Burn, Liberty & Chris** (vocals & accordion), **Mike Highfield** (whistle) and **Norman & Ingrid Cumming**.

All together, a night to remember.

## August & September - No Folk Night

We will be taking a break for the folk nights over the summer holidays, and also onto September as Karen and I will be away. However we will be back in the Autumn with two excellent guests acts booked, but please note that for various reasons, these two will be **SECOND** Saturdays, as opposed to our usual third Saturday.



## Folk & Acoustic Nights

Will be held at The Crown Inn, Fivehead-usually on the third Saturday of each month-courtesy of landlords Steve & Jacqui Chastell.

Starting at 7.30pm in the skittle alley, the first part of the evening will be open to "floorsingers" - ie anyone who turns up to sing or play will get a chance to perform (depending on numbers!) Sign up in the book on arrival.

At about 8.30pm Jacqui will be providing a bar supper for the interval, only for pre-ordered meals

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Hi all,

Summer is here so this is what's available at The Crown if you have not been in for a while, we have made a few interior changes so why not pop in for a pint or a glass of wine or even a meal off our popular menu and see the changes. We still hold our ever popular, quiz every Wednesday at 8.30pm, £1 per person with cash prizes. There is also a **five minute quiz** on Sunday at 8.30pm.

We sell newspapers and magazines, a collection point for your Medication. We offer **Mobile phone top-ups** and cash-back and very basic shop facilities Skittle alley/function room available for you as well as darts and Bar Billiards.

### dates for your diary

**Back by popular demand BBQ Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August 7 pm -- 9pm**

**There will be no folk and acoustic nights in August and September, next one will be October 12th**

**Laurie will keep you all posted as to artists**

**We look forward to seeing new faces**

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## Crown Fivehead Golf Society

Our Charity Golf Day **Friday 14th. June at Long Sutton Golf Club** raised **£1118.00** on the day for our Charity this year, which is **Love Musgrove**, and the running total for the year so far is **£1290.00**. The individual honours for the day went to **Ian Moses**. On **Friday 12th. July** 16 members went to **Dainton Park Golf Club** (Newton Abbot) for Captain's Day and **Phil Locke** narrowly won the day.

Our outing this year in September is an overnight with 2 rounds of golf at **Puckrup Hall Golf & Country Club**.

We have a full programme of events running until October, if you wish to join contact Gary Smith or me.  
Harry Price Chairman

## Men's Breakfast

**Saturday 7th September**

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# Community Matters

## Get involved in your Village

We have had a number of new residents in recent years and I hope you find this magazine useful and it tells you what you need to know about this wonderful Village.

But are you all getting involved in village life? We have active church communities, St Martins (Fivehead) St. Catherine's (Swell) and the Baptist Church. We have a community coffee shop at the Stable, a pub, Village Hall and playing field.

At the Village Hall you will find short mat bowling, drama group and a range of events arranged by the Village Hall committee. The playing field has a very safe Children's Play area, some adult exercise equipment, a multi games court and the playing field itself.

The Crown Inn has ladies & gents Skittles, darts and of course the Folk music nights.

How many of you have tried the facilities, joined in the activities and enjoyed meeting other villagers and making new friends. Have you considered giving up a few hours each month and join one of the committees, (some of the members of these committees have been serving for 3 decades) and I am sure they would welcome new blood and new ideas. If you have children who use the playing field or hall regularly why not offer to join the committees and contribute ideas and suggestions that would not only benefit your family but the community as a whole. Don't wait to be asked, get involved in village life, the contact numbers are all in this publication.

Harry Price Editor

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## Folk & Acoustic Music

No Folk Nights in August or  
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Karen & Laurie will be in Africa.

Folk Nights will resume in the  
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**Saturday October 12th.**

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# Langport & District Red Cross Centre 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday

On 21<sup>st</sup> June 2019 thirty-two volunteers celebrated with a party and a trip down memory lane the forty years of volunteer-led use of Langport Red Cross Centre, the modest building that is the hub around which revolves their many activities. The members volunteering in 2019 have a total of 514 years of active service, and at the party Chris Davies, Somerset President, awarded three long-service awards to Sally Tomsett (our oldest active volunteer at 85) for ten years' service, Sandra Stannard also for ten years and Jill Lock, our secretary, for 25 years.

In 1978 the builder who built as his store what is now our Centre retired and having no further use for the building offered it to the Langport Division of the Red Cross for £6000. Plans were drawn up to convert it into a Centre for Medical Loan and training at a cost of a further £2000. The local Health Authority contributed £2600 and Somerset HQ arranged a loan which was paid back by the fund-raising efforts of the volunteers of the time over the next five years. So on 21<sup>st</sup> June 1979 Lady Luttrell opened the Centre which has been in active use ever since. It has an excellent site on the side of Langport's main car park in the centre of the small town.



Now designated a Fund Raising Centre it is open to the public six mornings a week providing a lifeline to many lonely elderly people from Langport and its surrounding villages, as evidenced by our Appreciation Book. We provide companionship, refreshments for a donation, and sell donated goods, raising £10,179 in 2018. The fifteen volunteers who work at the Centre are supplemented by another twenty who help with collections at shops and Red Cross Week. With the profits from Theatre Trips to Bristol organised by the Group Leader our total turnover to support the British Red Cross in 2018 was £21,029. Since we started opening daily in 2001, we have recorded a turnover of £313,000. We also have a team of six fully qualified first aiders who support events over a wide area.



Although unusual as a volunteer led centre in the 2019 British Red Cross, we justify our continued existence on financial grounds, let alone considering all the good we do for the local community which has been recognised by the Group Leader receiving Community Service awards from Somerset County Council, Langport Town Council, and Somerton Town Council.

Altogether we are a great success story, thanks to a happy band of dedicated volunteers and many very appreciative customers and patrons.

Photos by volunteer John Samuels.

Chris Cox Group Leader



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# Food and Drink

## Scallops with Saffron Sauce

### Ingredients

8 Scallops	125g (4 oz) Fine asparagus tips
45g (1.1/2 Oz) Butter	3 Tbsps Crème Fraiche
1 Small onion, finely chopped	Salt & pepper to taste
2 Tbsps Dry Vermouth	
125ml (4 fl. oz) Dry White Wine	
2 Tomatoes Skinned, seeded and finely chopped	
1/4 Tsp powdered Saffron	

### Method

1. In a frying pan melt half the butter and quickly fry the scallops for 2-3 minutes turning until they are opaque. Remove from the pan with any juices and keep warm
2. In the same pan, melt the remaining butter add the onions and gently fry for 5 minutes until softened (do not brown). Add the vermouth, wine tomatoes and saffron, bring to the boil, then simmer until the liquid has reduced by half.
3. Meanwhile lightly steam the asparagus tips for 3-4 minutes, add to the pan with the scallops, crème fraiche, salt and pepper. Simmer for 2 minutes, check seasoning and serve.
4. Serve with new potatoes , pasta or rice

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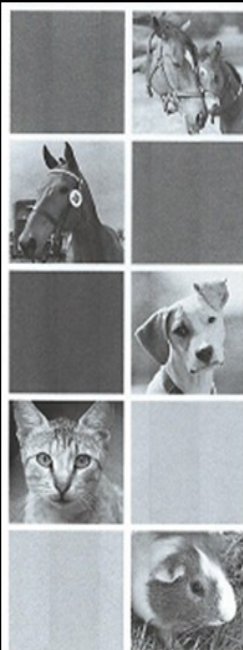
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# DIARY OF EVENTS

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Day/Date/Time		Description	Where
Friday 9th. August	10.30 am	Crown Fivehead GS. Paul Rowe Memorial	Tiverton Golf Club
Monday 12th. August	11.00 am	Service for residents	St Martins Close
Saturday 17th. August	7.00-9.00pm	BBQ	The Crown Inn
Sunday 25th. August	3.00 pm	Cream Tea	The Langford
Tuesday 3rd. September	4.00 pm	Mystery Coach Trip - Fellowship Club	?????????
Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th September	12.00 midday	Crown Fivehead GS. Annual Outing	Puckrup Hall
Monday 23rd. Sept		NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	
Tuesdays @ 6.30pm Thursdays @ 10.00am	Weekly	Pilates	Village Hall
Mondays @ 7.30 pm	Weekly	Short Mat Bowls	Village Hall
Tuesdays @ 7.15 pm	Weekly	Bellringing	St. Martins
Wednesdays @ 4.45 pm	Weekly	Dragonfly's	Village Hall
Thursdays @7.00 pm	Weekly	Bridge Club	Village Hall
Usually 1st. Monday 8.00 pm. ( Apr-Sept )	Monthly	Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall

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