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## The Editor's Letter

Here we are again and I hope, between the unremarkable June, the heat, then drought, you managed a good Summer. Our thoughts are with those who lost someone and whose Summer will be remembered for all the wrong reasons.

Some of the old favourites will be back this month. Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> sees the 'All Creatures Great and Small' service at Ditcheat – any species of pet welcome. P41.

Rendezvous is back on the 13<sup>th</sup> with coffee, cakes and stalls, P18.

Fosseway Gardening kicks, off also on September 13<sup>th</sup>, with an evening about fuschias. Remember your 'Barbara Windsors' for judging! P37.

There are free café concerts with Trio Paradis, every first Wednesday in Castle Cary P6 and the Village Lunch will be on the last Tuesdays in Ditcheat, P18.

Ditcheat Big Screen is looking for volunteers and will start again on Friday October 21<sup>st</sup> at the Jubilee Hall, and every third Friday of after that.

A plea from Somerset Sight P35 and a reminder the annual voter registration is underway so keep an eye out for an official letter asking for updated information, P8.

A pretty good mix of socialising, supporting and stimulating the brain cell.

And finally, a big welcome to Chris Ringrow who has taken on the role of web editor for the magazine.

Have a good Autumn.

*Margy Cockburn Tim Sanders*

Front cover:  
Ditcheat Baby Owl by Sam Powell

Please send your cover photos to the editor.

## Dates for your Diary



### Regular Events

#### Weekly Monthly

<b>Mon</b>	✓	Pilates (9.00)	Michelle 07825 543414
	✓	Tai Chi for Health (11.00)	Richard 880308
	✓ 4 <sup>th</sup>	Crafternoon (2.00)	Sally 07929 097374
<b>Tue</b>	✓ 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rendezvous (10.00)	Lynda 860270
	✓ 1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ditcheat Art Group (10.00)	Liz & Stewart 860755
	Last Tues	Village Lunch	Jessica 860205
<b>Wed</b>	✓	Ditcheat Short Mat Bowls (7.00)	Martin 860780
	✓	Ditcheat and Pylle Singers (7.00)	Di 07831 289945
<b>Thu</b>	✓	Yoga (9.00)	Clare 07843 079209
<b>Fri</b>	✓ 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Folk Dance Club (7.00)	Ama/Peter 672911
<b>Sat</b>	✓ 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Men's Breakfast	Roger 860551

### September

Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> 10.00am	Charles Dowding Open Day	P5
Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> 10.00am	Pet Service	P41
Tue 13 <sup>th</sup> 10.00am	Rendezvous, Jubilee Hall	Lynda 860270 P18
Tue 13 <sup>th</sup> 7.30pm	Gardening Club – Pylle Village Hall	Jill 07772 008594 P37
Tue 27 <sup>th</sup> 12.30pm	Village Lunch, Jubilee Hall	Vee 860542 P18

### Further Ahead

Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Ditcheat Big Screen, Jubilee Hall	P6
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**Please check with the organisers for the latest information. Updates will be notified on the magazine website [www.fossetrinitynews.co.uk](http://www.fossetrinitynews.co.uk).**

## **Alhampton News**

What a couple of months. We began with the fete – a lovely day and an excellent result. Well done to all those who worked so hard to make it a success. It was a really hot day and the stall holders and others must have been glad to get home and sit down by the end of the day.

Then we had the sad news that Eva Weelen had died in hospital after a short stay. We often laughed about the fact that when she first came to see the house she was adamant that she didn't want to buy it and it was her husband who persuaded her. However, once she had been here a short time she started to join in everything enthusiastically and was soon a village stalwart. Of course, one of her greatest delights was her beautiful garden – she would always opt for a couple of hours out there rather than any other job if she could get away with it and was always happy to show it off, often with a coffee or something stronger. She will be greatly missed. One comfort is that she was able to enjoy her 96<sup>th</sup> birthday with friends and neighbours at the beginning of the month – an evening she thoroughly enjoyed.

The same weekend we heard of the death of Sally Atkins. Although not an Alhampton resident, she had a lot of friends here. She was always cheerful and generous with her time. She had the great gift of making you feel that you were the one person she really wanted to see.

Then we finished with the water main burst in Evercreech. It certainly made us all think about the amount of water that we cheerfully use without a thought. Thanks must go to the crew who worked through the nights to connect us again and to the people who stepped in to help others by collecting water. Good neighbours alive and well in Alhampton!

Louisa Osborne

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## **Charles Dowding Open Day**

On 4<sup>th</sup> September Charles' garden is opening to the public (tickets need to be purchased) between 10.00 and 4.00 and refreshments are being served in Alhampton Chapel during that time to raise funds for the maintenance of the building.

## October Relaunch for Ditchheat Big Screen



Following a very successful "**cinema consultation evening**" in May, organisers were thrilled to see such an appetite from the local community for the **Ditchheat Big Screen** to return to operation, with attendees sharing their preferences for everything from favourite film genres to cinema snacks!

Encouraged by the feedback, plans are now underway for the re-launch, with Friday October 21<sup>st</sup> earmarked for the first screening at the Jubilee Hall, Ditchheat, with future showings taking place on the third Friday of each month thereafter. With various tasks now at hand, the **Ditchheat Big Screen Committee** is looking for volunteers to help ensure the evenings are a success, be that through supporting with advance publicity and advertising, through to helping with the set up and running of the nights themselves.

So, if you are a film fan and would like to get involved, please contact [ditchheatbigscreen@gmail.com](mailto:ditchheatbigscreen@gmail.com).

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## Feel Good Café Concerts with Trio Paradis

Café concerts are held every first Wednesday of the month at 11 am in The David Hall in South Petherton and 2pm at All Saints Castle Cary. We also have two concerts in August, on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>, both at 11 am.

At each venue - church, village hall or town hall - there is a pop-up café serving tea, real coffee and home-made cakes half an hour before the concert starts - a chance to chat with friends and make new ones. There is no need to book, just turn up early to be sure of a table or a good seat!

Entrance is free with donations invited. Full details of programs at: [www.trioparadis.com](http://www.trioparadis.com)

## From the Archives

I remember Harvest Festival decorations in my childhood (1950's) but this account of a Harvest Festival Service 133 years ago far exceeds the work of my time.

Roger Yeoman

**Western Gazette - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September 1889**

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### DITCHEAT

**Harvest Thanksgiving Service** - On Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> the annual thanksgiving services were held in the Parish Church. The morning was ushered in by merry peal from the church bells, which were continued at intervals during the day and a flag was hoisted on the tower. The church had been tastefully decorated by ladies and gentlemen of the congregation, with flowers, fruit, and vegetables, contributed by the parishioners. Over the entrance to the church was the inscription, "Come ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home." in white letters on a scarlet ground, with an edging of bay leaves, and scarlet geraniums; and above it a star of roses and dahlias.

In the centre of the Communion table was a cross of white asters and scarlet geraniums, whilst at the foot at the cross, tomatoes, apples, and other choice fruits were arranged on a raised bed of moss. Suspended in front of table was an imitation reap-hook in white asters, while at the foot was a miniature wheat sheaf a monster loaf of bread. On the window sills above the table were branches of Japanese anemones and ferns with an anchor composed of scarlet geraniums and wheat in the centre, with a miniature wheat sheaf on each side. On either side of the window were stars of red and yellow dahlias. In the windowsills and on the floor either side of the table, a variety of choice plants in pots were tastefully arranged. The communion-rail was wreathed with autumn foliage, relieved with bunches of scarlet geraniums and miniature loaves of bread at intervals, whilst at the foot was a bed of moss studded with asters and a variety of other flowers.

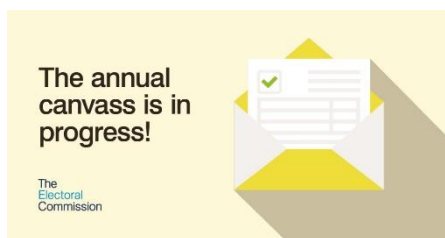
In the chancel window sills were beds of moss and ferns a variety of choice flowers. On the left wall of the chancel was the inscription "I am the bread of life," in old English letters, red and blue, on a white ground, with blue panelling, and an edging of Ivy leaves; and on the opposite wall, "Who giveth all," in white letters on a scarlet ground with an edging of variegated leaves. At the entrance to the chancel, a temporary screen had been erected, composed of oats, ivy, and bay leaves, relieved with scarlet geraniums, with the inscriptions "Praise the

Lord, O my soul" and "O sing praises unto God," in blue letters on a white ground. On the top of the screen, a variety of plants in pots were placed. The pulpit was wreathed with oats, asparagus and scarlet geraniums, while suspended from the cushion was a basket of choice fruit. The shaft of the pulpit was wreathed with ferns and flowers.

The reading desk was wreathed with ferns and scarlet and white flowers while crosses of the same material adorned the panels. The lectern was adorned with greenery and flowers with a cross of scarlet geraniums and white asters in the centre. The choir-stalls were decorated with oats, ferns, and flowers, the font was effectively treated with wreaths of ferns and white flowers, with a border of moss round the basin and a cross in the centre. Over the centre arch was the inscription, "How manifold are Thy works," in scarlet letters on a white ground, with an edging of greenery; and over the side arches, "Praise ye the Lord," and "We thank Thee, O God" in white letters on a scarlet ground. The side arches were festooned with evergreens, interspersed with sun-flowers. The lamp standards were wreathed with greenery, oats and flowers. In the window sills a variety of choice flowers, fruits, and vegetables were tastefully arranged. [...] On Saturday evening, after the decorations were finished. the workers were entertained at tea by the Rev. P.M. Flinn at his residence. There was a large congregation at the Sunday service, conducted by the Rev. P. Morrison Flinn (rector of Mawgan).

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## The Annual Canvass



Over the coming months, Mendip District Council will be contacting households asking to check that their voter registration details are correct. This is called an annual canvass.

The annual canvass ensures the Council keeps the electoral register up to date.

It helps identify any residents who are not registered to vote and encourages them to do so. Remember, if you are not registered to vote, you may not be able to take part in any upcoming local or national election.

If you have a query about the canvass, please do not hesitate to contact Mendip's Electoral Services Team by emailing [elections@mendip.gov.uk](mailto:elections@mendip.gov.uk) or by calling 0300 303 8588. They'll be happy to help.

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## Gardening

It seems a bit daft to mention preparation for cooler weather when we are forecast 33 degrees this weekend! Nevertheless, September is the time to think about the Autumn and even Spring next year. The bulb order is ready to go and vegetables organised for the winter and spring.

There is a lot of clearing and pruning to do in the garden now and this year there seems to be more than usual. The garden resembles a desert and too many plants are just dying back in the extreme heat suffering from a lack of water. However, it does mean all the waste can be recycled and used to build on your existing compost or perhaps to make a new one.

As mentioned above, the bulb order is ready and it is best to plant them as soon as you receive them, but you can leave tulips until November to prevent them from becoming diseased. If buying from garden centres make sure the bulbs are firm to the touch and don't have any signs of mould. The larger, the better, as they give a better display.

Containers can be planted up for the Spring. The ones here are looking very straggly and unkempt; again due to lack of water. I tried some trailing sweet peas this year. Very pretty but rather short-lived and the scent was disappointing. I am not sure I will use them again. The climbing sweet peas, however, were very successful and seeds are drying as we speak ready for planting up next year.

Normally, I would suggest splitting perennials at this time of year, but I think we need some wet weather before hacking at any roots. The poor things are hanging by a thread here and I am sure it is the same for you. A tidy up is a good idea though. Remove all dead growth and pop the debris on the compost heap. Bin or burn anything that looks diseased.

If we get some moisture into the ground, September is a good month to plant new shrubs as it gives them time to establish before spring. Do check on the size the shrub will achieve at maturity and leave it enough space in your border to fill that space.

September can also bring gales and windy weather. Check any plants that could do with staking such as dahlias and chrysanthemums. At the same time, cut back plants, such as Lavatera, that could have grown substantially over the summer.

Collect seed heads from perennials. Cover the seed heads with paper bags and tap out the contents. These can either be sown straight away or stored in the fridge for next year. There is nothing more satisfying than producing plants from saved seeds.

Dare I mention the 'C' word?! You could plant prepared hyacinths in a cool, dark, frost-free place (such as a shed or garage) to grow on and hopefully flower for Christmas. After about eight weeks the flower bud will start to show. At this stage move it to a cool, light spot.

Lawns are looking a bit sad just now, but they always recover. Don't despair. The soil beneath your turf is likely to feel like concrete due to the lack of water. I would suggest using a fork to aerate it but I am not sure it would go into the ground. Wait for some rain before attempting this.

Continue to harvest produce from the vegetable patch. Autumn onions, garlic and spring cabbage can be planted out, together with broad beans. Taller vegetables, such as kale will need to be supported.

Take cuttings of patio plants such as pelargoniums and osteospermum. Look for healthy non flowering shoots about 10-15cms long and cut them off with a sharp knife. Remove the lower leaves and place three or four cuttings around the edge of a pot filled with multi-purpose compost and sharp sand or vermiculite. Water and then place a polythene bag over the top. They should root fairly swiftly.

Clean out cold frames and greenhouses ready for Autumn sowing and growing.

Continue to feed and dead-head hanging baskets and pots. They will often keep going until the first frosts.

Pinch out the tips of tomatoes to concentrate the plant's energy into producing more ripe fruits.

Plan next year's garden. Make rough sketches of your flower borders, or take photographs. Sit back and reflect on what has worked and what hasn't. Order new stock of spring flowering bulbs, trees, shrubs and perennials to fill those gaps.

Jane Follis T:860850

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# **Pylle News**

## **Church Flowers and Cleaning**

Volunteers are needed to join the rota. For details please ring Hilary Tudsbery-Turner on 01749 830538. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

## **Church**

It's all change at the church at the moment as we have no churchwardens and a severely depleted PCC as a result of existing members leaving the area. A meeting has been arranged with diocesan officials in October and so we should be able to provide readers with an update in the November FTN. We very much hope that parishioners interested in the future of the church in our village will make themselves known. Contact details are displayed in the church porch.

A key is always available (easily located!) for those wishing to enjoy the peace and tranquillity provided by a building that has been the centre of Pylle for over a thousand years. Please contact Alan Cary 0789 694 5936 to obtain the key.

## **Village Hall**

The charge for booking the hall is £8.50 per hour (£7.50 per hour for 4 or more bookings). For more information and to book the hall please contact Sharon Poulton 01749 860811 or 07790035977 (mobile).

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## **Sally Atkins' Easter and Christmas Bingo Evenings**



Sally Atkins will be sorely missed by everyone who enjoyed the Bingo evenings she ran at Easter and Christmas in the Jubilee Hall, in aid of the church. As a tribute to her memory we plan to continue to run them and they will be called 'Sally's Christmas/Easter Bingo'.

Martin Hillard has kindly agreed to be the caller, following in the footsteps of his father Ernest who used to run the Bingo with Norris Yeoman and Sam Sullivan.

## A Picture from the Past

Pylle station was opened by the Somerset Railway Company on Monday 3rd February 1862. It was on a new stretch of line running from Glastonbury via West Pennard and Pylle to Evercreech.

Our picture is of the locomotive 'Bluebottle' built in 1861 and used on the Somerset Central line, which merged with its Dorset counterpart on 1<sup>st</sup> September 1862 to become the famous Somerset and Dorset line, affectionately known to its users as the 'Slow and Dirty'. The station survived for almost exactly a century before it lost its staff in 1957 and the line, which had opened in 1854, finally closed in 1966.

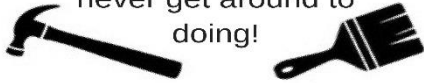
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## **VILLAGE LUNCH**

The Village Lunch is held on the last Tuesday of the month in the Jubilee Hall at 12.30pm.

### **Menu for 27<sup>th</sup> September**

Sausages in Onion Sauce with Yorkshire Puds  
Gammon with Parsley Sauce  
Vegetable Lasagne

Selection of Puddings. Tea or Coffee.

**£5.00 per person.**

Menu options are available on the FTN website, [www.fossetrinitynews.co.uk](http://www.fossetrinitynews.co.uk).

If you would like to come let Jessica Leach (860205) or Vee Lees (860542) know by the previous Wednesday, (21<sup>st</sup>). There will be a raffle as usual - any prizes will be welcome.

## Eva Weelen



Friends, neighbours and family joined together to celebrate the life of popular Alhampton resident, Eva Weelen, who died on 13<sup>th</sup> July. A packed church reflected the depth of her contribution and involvement within our local communities.

Arriving in Alhampton in 1984, Eva and her late husband, Lou, soon found their place. Eva's keep fit classes kept the locals healthy and she enjoyed the challenge of making a variety of costumes for the Ditcheat Players.

But it was gardening that was her real passion. She welcomed people to her rose-filled garden every year as part of Alhampton Open Gardens. And this year was no exception.

Eva celebrated her 96<sup>th</sup> birthday in style just 10 days before she died, holding no less than three parties with family and friends. From the annual Christmas gathering with her five sons, thirteen grandchildren and their families to summer evenings of gossip and wine with her village neighbours. She never refused a social event and loved bringing people together.

Eva's spirit and can-do attitude will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

## Happy Landings



We would like to give you a little insight into Happy Landings, a small but mighty animal rescue charity perched at the top of Pye hill in Pylle. that has been rescuing animals since the 80's. We rescue and rehome dogs, cats, small animals and poultry.

There have been a lot of changes in the past few years – a new environmentally friendly and stress-reducing kennel block. with a quiet room for relaxation. The effect on the dogs has been very positive.

We believe in encouraging natural behaviours from our animals and strive to incorporate nature into their surroundings. We have a cat garden, dog enrichment area and hope to plant a small wood for the dogs to explore.

We have high hopes and plans for Happy Landings but, in truth, right now we are focusing on surviving. Since the pandemic, like all rescues, we have been inundated with surrender requests for unwanted animals to be taken in. We are doing our best to keep up with the demand but can only do what our resources allow. The veterinary costs are increasing - more than half the animals we rescue are not vaccinated or neutered. There has also been a drop in rehoming applications which we suspect may be due to the rising cost of living and pressures people are facing financially.



We want to do more but are vulnerable and need your support. If you would like to support a charity, then please consider us. We believe strongly that we are offering a valuable service to our community and by choosing to trust us with your support you are helping to ensure that we can continue our life-saving work for years to come.

To see our recent work and support it please visit:

<https://www.facebook.com/happylandingsanimalrescue>

<http://www.happy-landings.org.uk>

**Peter J Clark**  
**10<sup>th</sup> September 1954 - 14<sup>th</sup> July 2022**



Hilary and her family would like to thank everyone for their condolences and sympathy at this very sad time. The kindness and understanding of friends has been much appreciated by us all. Thank you.

*Harriet Sandys*

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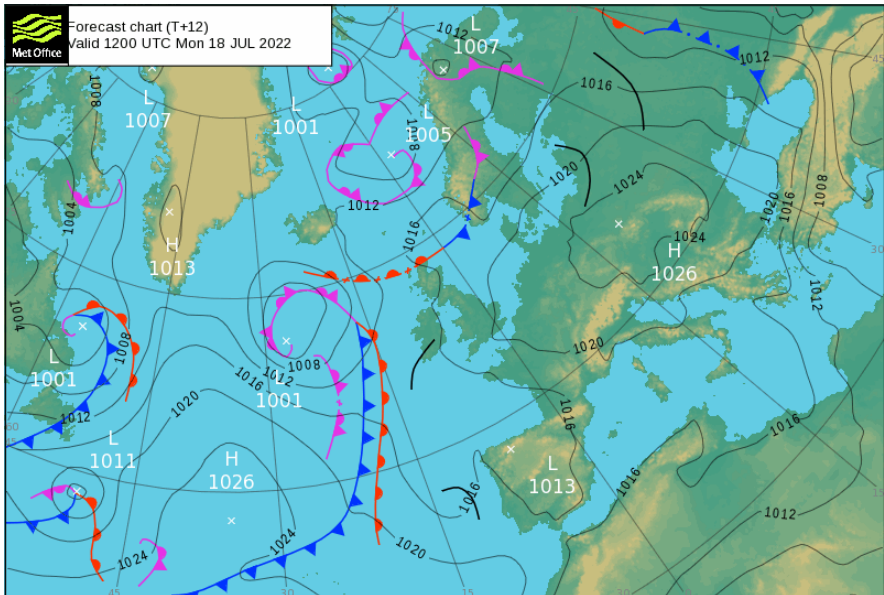
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## Alhampton Weather – June/July 2022

After what could be described as a month of uneventful weather in June, although it was rather dry, July has produced a noteworthy month. The media have made much of the high temperatures with a new UK record of 40.3°C in Lincolnshire. It was 36°C in Alhampton.

The weather map here shows a high pressure sitting over western Europe on 18<sup>th</sup> July drawing in very warm air from southern Europe, which brought, for us, such extreme temperatures.



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However, for all the media hype, particularly around the two exceptionally hot days in the middle of the month, overall this July was only the 7<sup>th</sup> warmest since records began. What really stands out though is how dry it was, particularly in the southern part of the country. Here we only recorded 14 mm of rain, really an insignificant amount, and as we run into August this pattern seems set to continue for some time.

As dry as June and July have been, in 2016 we saw a similar picture and that was followed in November that year by a particularly wet month – so the rain is coming, surely!

John Clarke



## The Wildlife Group Update

### What we've done:

#### The first activity was the Devon Beaver Visit:

We started in Budleigh Salterton and ambled along the path of the relatively new RSPB Estuary Nature Reserve, seeing a lot of Madder and the Bloody-nosed beetle that feeds off it. The beetle has that name because it exudes a red liquid from its mouth when alarmed, which puts off birds from making a meal of it. The path has the saltmarsh and estuary running alongside it and we saw the future plans for the reserve. It will be interesting to see over time how it develops.

Then we had a really splendid meal in Marcos the Italian restaurant in Budleigh. The waiters couldn't have been more attentive and the food was excellent, as was the company!



Then we decamped to see the Beavers. You always need a bit of luck when organising wildlife visits as the wildlife can just absent themselves at the moment of your visit, but we were really lucky. Not only did we see the tell tail forty-five-degree angle cut of branches and partially felled trees, but a big female beaver posed for the cameras (see photos, by Richard Rainsford). We saw her several times and we were the last people on the path that evening and on our return journey, Gloria and Bob were growled at by the Beaver as she was about to cross the path at the same time as they did. They are big animals so it was with relief that she slipped back into the water and emerged a way down the bank and proceeded to fell a branch, then swam back to her lodge with it in her mouth.



A great afternoon and evening.



The second was the inaugural activity morning of **The Family Wildlife Group**. The morning was a lot of fun for parents and children alike and a great success.

With kind permission of Neil MacDonald, we used his woods for the woodland adventure and picnic and without the help of Kate Lovell and Nicola Anness the event wouldn't have happened. A big thank you to them and to Caroline Clayton for drumming up support. Even the fairies helped by leaving homemade chocolates behind the fairy door, see opposite.



**WLG Photo Competition for September:**

Can you give the common and/or scientific name for this plant **and** the name of the caterpillar which feeds on it? It is a poisonous plant for stock, especially horses. Answers by 9<sup>th</sup> September please.



**Photo competition winner in July:**

Congratulations to Paul. It was Garlic Mustard, (*Alliaria petiolata*). A very smart plant related to Ladies Smock and the garden plant Sweet Rocket. Very attractive to Orange Tip butterflies.

Image by Graeme Rolf.

Wildlife photos from readers are always welcome.

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- **The FTN website:** [www.fossetrinitynews.co.uk](http://www.fossetrinitynews.co.uk)

## The Natural World



*Red Billed Leiothrix*

I thought I'd bring you a little colour this month, if only to distract you from the inane bickering of the Tory leadership race. It saddens me when the senior politicians in this country consider that the most important thing in Britain is the interest rate when, all around us, the World we live in is drying up, and either withering or catching on fire. Believe it or not, at this time last year I was also talking about things catching on fire, albeit in Australia, California and Eastern Europe. *'Plus ça change, plus c'est la même chose'* to use the 1849 quote from Jean-Baptiste Alphonse Karr – *'The more it changes, the more it stays the same'*.

Back to the colourful bird at the top of the page. It's a *red billed leiothrix* and it is bothering conservationists because it is coming our way. Very much our way in fact. There are colonies of them in Wiltshire and Somerset. They're native to Asia but have been working their way across the World as things warm up, and now they've crossed the Channel to join our native song-birds, and here's another worry. They don't just join in with the dawn chorus. They take over, drowning out our more conservative (sorry) looking song-birds. What's wrong with that? Well, that could have a significant effect on the mating success of our own birds, as singing is one of the main weapons in our male song-birds' vocabulary, when it comes to attracting a mate. If you can't be heard, you're out of the game.

Beekeepers in Norfolk are slightly worried by *European bee-eaters* which have moved into the area. Eight bee-eaters have taken up a summer residency at a disused quarry in Trimmingham, near Cromer in Norfolk. They were seen making nest burrows and we now know that there are at least two pairs incubating eggs. Males and females split the babysitting duties, taking it in turns to sit on 6-7 eggs. They usually take around 20 days to hatch – so watch this space! They're beautiful birds, normally associated with southern Europe and North Africa.



*European Bee-eater*

Because of global warming: yes the World is warming up – it's not cyclical, it's a permanent state - many species of insects, birds and plants are now at home on our island. Should beekeepers be worried? I don't think that eight birds are going (almost) single handedly to impact the beehives of Norfolk. Swallows are far more of a nuisance, and at this time of year, wasps are an absolute pest. I've

lost one hive to wasps this week. They steal the honey and predate the adult and young bees, completely wiping out the colony.



*Ring necked  
parakeet*

They've been around for a few decades now but *ring necked parakeets* are also very striking, with their bright green plumage, red bills and the black collar which gives them their name. They hail from Asia, and I have seen them nesting in trees in the grounds of the Taj Mahal, but they didn't make their own way here. They were introduced as pets, but they are inveterate escape artists, and that's what they did, on a large scale. When I lived in the Middle East, Indian workers would import them to sell as pets to the locals, but they would first teach them to open their cages, and as these birds have

strong homing instincts, the less scrupulous dealers were known to sell the same parakeets over and over again. Here they have become so numerous in the area of West London that they fly around in flocks.

It's not all one-way traffic. I mentioned this colourful character a few years ago. *Golden Orioles* were once numerous in East Anglia but as they nested in poplar trees, which were used primarily to make matches, they dwindled to almost zero numbers – as cigarette lighters took over from matches.



*Golden Oriole*

That's all for the brighter side, but a sad fact of life is that, like it or not, nearly all species of vertebrates and invertebrates have diminished catastrophically in recent years, all due to human pressure - population increase and increased pollution. This was brought home to me in a dramatic fashion when driving in the south of France in June. The human population there is far less dense and for the first time in many decades, I had to clean splattered insects from the windscreen on a regular basis. I haven't had to do that in the UK since the 1960s.

Here's a parting gift for you. The water authorities are so worried about the levels of reservoirs that they are thinking of pumping water from rivers – the same rivers that they are dumping raw sewage into.

Stewart Gould  
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## Sally Atkins



It is with a heavy heart we said goodbye to Mum (Sally Atkins) on July 17<sup>th</sup> 2022 after a very short illness.

She loved Ditcheat and always tried to be involved in various committees/events throughout the 46 years she lived in Lintern Close. We hope she lives on in the village through her Bingo, which she officiated over the last few years.

We held a 'celebration of her life' on August 6<sup>th</sup> which many of you were hopefully able to attend, and through everyone's generosity we received over £2,000 in donations for her three chosen charities.

Thank you from all of the family for all your kind words/cards/letters.

## Ditcheat Book Group

*The Salt Path* by Raynor Winn

This is the true story of a couple who spent twenty years renovating a dilapidated farmhouse in Wales only to find themselves destitute. A close friend had encouraged Moth and his wife Raynor to invest a substantial sum of money in his company. The company failed, incurring unpaid debts which their friend said they should bear some responsibility for. After a three-year battle a claim was upheld for possession of their home and land.

Shortly afterwards Moth was told he had a rare degenerative disease that would ultimately result in his death, probably within a few years.

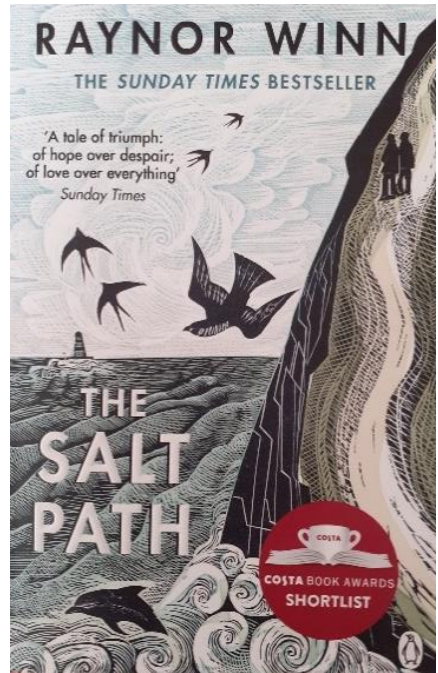
The decision to walk the 630 miles along the coastal path from Minehead to Poole came from not knowing what else to do. With inadequate equipment and a reliance on a small weekly income from the state, the couple set off, planning to rough camp along the way.

They were not only homeless but also having to battle with Moth's physical ability to do the walk.

The book shows how stereotypically people view the homeless but, also, how they received acts of kindness from complete strangers. The major problem was keeping clean, dealing with occasional hostility, adequate food and having to survive with very little money.

Contrary to our expectations the journey becomes a positive experience for them and us the reader. We agreed that it was lovely to come across descriptions of places we had visited ourselves.

Vee Lees



## Crafternoon – Tea, Cake & Craft

Crafternoons are a wonderful opportunity to enjoy creativity in a lovely friendly atmosphere.

You bring your own materials and equipment and you get a couple of hours crafting with delicious tea and cake.

Come along with friends, family and neighbours, it's a very pleasant afternoon outing once a month.

Last month, Sally demonstrated how to make rope bowls. For September, and October we will share ideas for small Christmas craft demonstrations.



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## East Pennard and District Royal British Legion



I'm sure most of us watched the Queen's Jubilee celebrations on television. In the crowd at the front of Buckingham Palace were 3,000 service veterans who were invited by the Legion to get a front row seat. Included in the veterans' party were a 98-year-old Second World war soldier who took part in the Battle of Arnhem and a 96-year-old sailor who supported the American Navy as they travelled to Tokyo Bay to sign the Japan's surrender documents. How proud they must have felt.

We often hear about the Red Arrows display team, but maybe not the RAF's Typhoon Display Team. I mention them because they have named the Legion as their charity for the year for its ongoing support of the Armed Forces community. They are fundraising for the Legion at UK and international air shows, hoping to raise more than £10,000. On the subject of fund raising, Chief Petty Officer Steve Munday of 846 Naval Air Squadron based at Yeovilton, sadly died earlier this year. He played a huge part in raising more than £8 million for the Poppy Appeal over the past 10 years. By way of recognition of his efforts, his family were presented with the highest honour the Legion can bestow – The National Certificate of Appreciation.

You may recall in a previous article I mentioned that the Festival of Remembrance team had won an award for the BBC programme in 2020, well they won a BAFTA award for last year's spectacular event for Entertainment Craft Team. That was the third year they had been nominated for a BAFTA.

With the recent Commonwealth Games still fresh in our minds, it is interesting to note that a new exhibition and summer programme has been taking place at the national Memorial Arboretum exploring the fascinating link between sport and the Armed Forces, and its importance today. From football matches breaking out on the Western Front during the 1914 Christmas Truce to the crucial role physical activity plays in helping veterans get back on their feet today, sport has always been intertwined with the military. The life of a soldier bears several similarities to that of a professional athlete. Both are physically demanding and require high levels of training and fitness, and there are crossovers when it comes to self-discipline and working as a team. Now, a whole host of sport, from water skiing to archery, are used by the Army, Royal Navy and Royal Air Force for training and combat fitness, and also as an outlet to relax, foster camaraderie and nurture teamwork.

Those of you who have supported our branch over the years will, I hope, be pleased to hear that having had an annual dinner this year, we are now planning our other annual social occasion, the quiz. We are hoping to hold it on either Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup> October at Thorners Restaurant subject to availability of the restaurant. We are also hoping that Sean Smith will again be the quizmaster. As before there would be four people to a team, and a meal would be served part way through the evening. The cost of taking part would be solely the cost of the meal. So please pencil those two dates in your diary, and we will confirm exact details in the October FTN.

As has been mentioned before, there will no longer be house-to-house collections for the Poppy Appeal by this branch, so you will need to locate a static donation point such as a pub, supermarket, shop, church etc. and these will now be co-ordinated by Shepton Mallet branch. Another change will be the provision of card machines for donating, as well as cash. All donations go straight to Legion HQ so the lack of local donations does not make any difference to our branch finances.

Finally, our parade marshal, Hamish Miln and his wife Jo, have moved from Pylle to Barnstaple (much closer to the golf course!) and we wish them well.

Charles Evans

## Ditcheat Parish Council

### Draft Minutes of Annual Ditcheat Parish Council 19<sup>th</sup> May 2022

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Apologies for absence from Councillor Hughes (LH) were received and approved.

COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS – Noted.

MINUTES - The minutes of the meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2022 were approved and signed.

MATTERS ARISING - from the meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

The proposal that SCC should adopt the verge on the right of the road going to Ditcheat from Alhampton as part of the flood channel by the Alham Bridge in Alhampton – the matter has been referred to the Road records and licensing team. The Clerk will follow up.

Fly tipping on the layby on Ditcheat Hill – still had not been removed. The Clerk will forward photographs taken by HC to the Enforcement Officer at MDC.

Co-option to fill the three councillor vacancies on the Parish Council – still no response. It was agreed that a leaflet would be sent to each household in the Parish. RJ will prepare a draft and circulate to all councillors for comments/suggestions.

#### PLANNING - APPLICATIONS:

Full application - Conversion and extension of a Barn to a self-contained tourism unit, Ox Barn, New Road, Wraxall. Ref: 2022/1380/FUL. **Outcome:** Recommend approval with the following comments. The principle of converting the barn into a dwelling whilst separating the extension from the barn in order to retain the special features of the existing building is laudable. The PC is pleased to see that aspects of biodiversity have been included and would like to see this enhanced where possible.

Update information regarding the Parish Council Consultation on application - SCC/3854/2021, Unit 22 Evercreech Junction. The letter from the acoustic consultants requesting further time to respond with their report has been received by SCC which has been granted. The PC will review again when the full updated report is available.

#### FINANCE

- a) Resolved to approve the bank reconciliation for 1<sup>st</sup> quarter – April to June 2022.
- b) Approval of Parish Council payments and authority to sign cheques for the following:
  - 1) CPRE membership fee 2022/2023 – minimum fee £36.00
  - 2) Mendip District Council – 2022 Elections recharge - £100.00.

- 3) Miss P Griffiths – Clerk’s expenses for period 1<sup>st</sup> April to 30<sup>th</sup> June March 2022 - £37.23.

RESOLVED: that the expenditure be approved, and the cheques issued.

The request from the Chair of the Trustees of the Friends of Castle Cary Community Library for a grant to assist in the running of the library was discussed. Resolved not to provide a grant.

The payments that have been made to the following were noted:

- 1) Information Commissioner’s Office for Data Protection renewal fee by Direct Debit - £35.00.
- 2) Citizens Advice Mendip - £100.00 – see MIN 039/22 c).
- 3) Fosse Trinity News donation for publication of minutes - £100.00 – see MIN 064/22 c).
- 4) Mr C Ringrow for website support - £90.00.
- 5) Tony’s Garden Services – invoice 78 - £225.00.
- 6) QSS Ltd monthly charge for May £38.64; June £38.46 and Technician support for email issues £62.70 by Direct Debit.

NALC Short Term Holiday Lets Policy Consultation PC6-22 – RESOLVED that the Clerk should respond to the consultation questions posed by NALC that the PC remains neutral on the matter and does not have sufficient evidence to answer of comment on the questions.

LITTER PICK ALONG THE A371– Resolved to request that highways conduct a litter pick on the stretch of the A371 from Castle Cary station to the Natterjack Inn in Feb/March next year.

SOMERSET BUS PARTNERSHIP – RJ reported that despite objections from the Somerset Bus Campaign the decision to concentrate the spending of the government funding in and around Taunton and Bridgwater remains as SCC believe this is the priority. RJ further reported that the Somerset Bus Campaign is planning a public awareness of the bus service in September and would like support and publicity from all parishes to help support the campaign. RJ confirmed that Southwest Bus service managers were in discussion to consider facilitating buses to turn into Castle Cary station rather than expecting passengers to wait on the roadside to alight and exit the buses.

SOUTH EAST SOMERSET (SES) LCN PILOT YOUTH WORK FEASIBILITY STUDY – Resolved that the Parish Council wishes to participate in this feasibility study.

#### PLAYGROUND

- a) It was confirmed that the annual inspection and risk assessment should be undertaken by Wicksteed Leisure.
- b) Update on the painting of the playground equipment – The Clerk reported that Wicksteed Leisure had apologised for the delay due to staff shortages and would advise soon when the work would be done. It was agreed that as the work was not urgent that, if necessary, it could be delayed to next year.

c) Update on the fitting of the hexagonal ends in the multi-play unit in the playground – CE reported that the work has now been completed.

#### HIGHWAYS

Update on items/matters for repair previously reported:

1. The sign warning of horses on the road along Ditcheat Hill had not been re-sited and was still in the ditch.
2. The various road signs that had been left in the parish on completion of work appear to have been removed.

RESOLVED to report these matters again if required.

Speed restrictions on the A37 – the Clerk reported that no response to the email sent expressing the Council's concerns had yet been received. The Clerk will send a follow up email.

#### FOOTPATHS, BRIDLEWAYS AND RIGHTS OF WAY.

Update on work to the flag stone at the top end of Smiths Lane - CE reported that the group of volunteers working on the flag stone path at the top end of Smiths Lane, which was very slippery when wet, in preparation for putting down scalplings to allow pedestrians to use the path but avoid the flagstones had now cleared nearly half of the footpath of low level vegetation between the start of the path and the orchard.

RENDEZVOUS – Feedback from the July Rendezvous of matters relevant to the Parish Council. CE reported that it had been brought to his attention that a couple of the properties along Wraxall Road had hedges which had grown over the stone boundary walls encroaching on to the road thus forcing vehicles to pass towards the middle of the road. CE will look into the matter further.

#### CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE.

Correspondence – The Clerk report that an email from Doulting Parish Council had been received regarding the formation of a 'Parishes Liaison Group' due to concerns about the new Somerset Unitary authority which takes effect from April 2023. Agreed that the Clerk should respond indicating that Ditcheat was already part of the pilot LCN to the south of Somerset.

The Council were made aware of the recent death of Mendip District and Somerset County Councillor Nigel Woollcombe-Adams. For many years Councillor Woollcombe-Adams represented Ditcheat on these bodies with common sense, practicality, and a desire to see the right thing done. His attendance at many of our Ditcheat Parish Council meetings was a testament to his commitment to the job and his willingness to assist the Parishes and people that he represented.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING – 8<sup>th</sup> September 2022, at 7.30 pm to be held in the Church Room, Ditcheat.

If necessary, a Planning meeting will be held on 18<sup>th</sup> August 2022, at 7.30 pm in the Church Room, Ditcheat.

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# **Report Of East Pennard Parish Council Meeting**

## **Held in the Village Hall on Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 7.30pm**

### **Present**

Adrian Pearse (Chairman), Roger Cock, Martin Llewellyn, Hilary Tripp (Clerk), and 1 member of the public.

The Chairman welcomed Martin Llewellyn to his first Parish Council meeting.

### **1. Apologies**

Paul Heal, Martin Dearden

### **2. Minutes of Last Meeting:**

The minutes of the meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2022 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

### **3. Matters Arising**

**Shooting Ground Noise:** The problem is ongoing. The Chairman had been in contact with Pilton Parish Council, which has opposed the new planning application from the Somerset Shooting Ground and suggested working together with Pilton Parish Council towards a joint strategy on this issue.

**Jubilee Celebrations:** 5<sup>th</sup> June at Pennard House - was well-attended.

**Tree:** Roger Cock has had soil samples taken at the site with a view to asking advice at a tree nursery as to the most suitable tree. The sample showed there was no salt present.

**Parish Footpaths:** It was agreed that Kerry Dodd, the new Parish Path Liaison Officer (PPLO) is to be invited to the next council meeting. It was agreed that Highways should be reminded that the temporary path repairs in the village had not been completed.

### **4. Financial Report**

The internal audit is to take place on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July.

### **5. Planning Applications**

#### **i) Land off Easton Lane 2022/1067/FUL**

Installation of additional spares container and repositioning of existing spares container

**Decision:** Recommend Approval. This provides necessary equipment for the operation of the site.

#### **ii) The Hay Loft, Huxham Farm 2022/1095/CLE**

Application for a certificate of lawful existing development for deviations from planning permission ref 112446/004

Conversion of barns into 3 dwellings

**Decision:** Leave to the Planning Officer. There was a query about the suitability of the existing treatment plant. There was another query as to whether Mendip District Council had taken note of the alterations to the original conditions.

## **6. Glastonbury Festival**

There was considerable discussion, one issue being Cockmill Lane. A report relating to Pye Hill had been received. There is to be a Glastonbury Festival meeting for the villagers of East Pennard on October 13<sup>th</sup>.

## **7. Broadband Provision**

Fibre cable is being installed in some areas in the village.

## **8. Village Hall**

The Village Hall has been nicely decorated. A coffee morning, run by Anna Gifford, had raised £494.

## **9. Correspondence**

The new Somerset Code of Conduct will be on the agenda at the next meeting.

## **10. Date of Next Meeting: 7.30pm on Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> September 2022.**

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## **Fosseway Gardening Club**



Monthly Gardening Club meetings restart on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm at Pylle Village Hall.

This month it's all about Fuschias. Our guest speaker, Derek Dexter, promises an informative, entertaining and inspiring talk with over twenty years of experience of growing award-winning fuschias, exhibiting regularly for the Royal Fuschias Society.

Members are reminded to bring their "Barbara Windsor" fuschias for judging by Derek. These were grown from plug plants over the summer and should make a lovely floral backdrop to the meeting.

Do come along and join us for the evening and a cuppa as new members are always welcome to attend our friendly meetings. Parking is off the lane on the left just beyond the village hall.

Contact Jill for more information on 07772008594

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Sept 25 <sup>th</sup>		"
Oct 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Harvest Festival Team	"
Oct 9 <sup>th</sup> & 16 <sup>th</sup>	Lin Adams	tba
Oct 30 <sup>th</sup> & Nov 6 <sup>th</sup>	Margy Cockburn	

We would welcome new members of the team! If you are interested please contact Jess Leach on 860205.

## East Pennard Church Flowers & Cleaning Rota

September	Shirley Baldwin Bridget Wadey
October	Clare Hogg Renate Rodd
November	Jean Heal Val Green



### Looking for new volunteers:

If you can spare about 4 hours in the year to help out with arranging flowers and/or cleaning the church, please contact me. Bring a friend!  
Most of our volunteers are not church goers, but public-spirited people.

Bridget, flowers and cleaning organiser: Tel. 860240.

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## All Creatures Great and Small Service

Ditcheat Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September 10.00am

Do come along and bring your pet – large or small, feathered or furry all are welcome.

## Like Lambs among Wolves

When I was Bishop's Lay Training Officer in Norwich diocese I devised a goodly number of interactive courses which were used for training groups of people around Norfolk and parts of Suffolk. One of them – a course for parish visitors – had this title 'Like Lambs among Wolves'. It was based on a passage from Luke's Gospel (10.3-11): *Go on your way; I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house! And if a person of peace is there, your peace will rest on that person, but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'*

Strong stuff! And I have been reminded of the notion of lambs and wolves recently while engaged in a photographic project to illustrate some nursery rhymes and fairy stories. On the one hand you have *Little Bo-Peep has lost her Sheep* and *Mary had a little Lamb, its fleece was white as snow*. But you also have *Little Red Riding Hood* who ends up in bed not with her granny but with the big bad wolf. I find it fascinating to learn about the historical background of these tales which are often quite dark.

At the beginning of September, we celebrate 'All creatures great and small', a special service in which we are invited to bring our pets. Many will remember the original TV series with that title which first appeared in 1978. Much more recently a whole new series was filmed and shown. But you don't have to be a vet to come along. There may be lambs present – who knows? I doubt if there will be any wolves, but there are dogs around who are close cousins! And, of course, the title of the TV shows and of this service takes its clue from a well know hymn, which I rather suspect will be sung! So come along and join 'my family and other animals'.

Finally remember the prophecy of Isaiah 11.6: *'The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them.'*

It will soon be Advent and Christmas!

Best wishes for a peaceful summer, Graham



## Church Services for September



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| <b>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup></b><br>10:00am  | <b>12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b><br><b>Pet Service Ditcheat</b>           |
| <b>Sunday 11<sup>th</sup></b><br>10:00am | <b>13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b><br><b>Holy Communion at Pylle</b>        |
| <b>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup></b><br>10:00am | <b>14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b><br><b>Holy Communion at East Pennard</b> |
| <b>Sunday 25<sup>th</sup></b><br>10:00am | <b>15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b><br><b>Zoom Service *</b>                 |

## Church Services for October

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| <b>Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup></b><br>11:00am  | <b>16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b><br><b>Harvest Festival with Holy Communion at Ditcheat</b><br><b>Followed by Buffet lunch</b> |
| <b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup></b><br>10:00am  | <b>17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b><br><b>Holy Communion at Alhampton</b>   |
| <b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup></b><br>10:00am | <b>18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b><br><b>Holy Communion at East Pennard</b>  |
| <b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup></b><br>10:00am | <b>Last Sunday of Trinity</b><br><b>Zoom Service *</b>  |
| <b>Sunday 30<sup>th</sup></b><br>10:00am | <b>All Saints</b><br><b>East Pennard Patronal Festival</b>  |

**\* FOR ACCESS CODES FOR ZOOM SERVICES, PLEASE CONTACT CHURCH WARDENS**

### **Benefice Prayer Pyramid**

The Prayer Pyramid is a small group of people within the benefice who will receive prayer requests for people in need of any kind. The requests remain confidential within this small group.

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