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Youth Club development plan needs additional funds.

The fundraising necessary in order to proceed with improvements to the Club House and football pitch at the Recreation Ground is now only £30,000 short of the £145,000 target. Your help is needed to turn this project into reality.

The Painswick Youth Centre continues to be a vital asset in our village. Whether it is helping young people prepare for university, mentoring youth as they handle adversity and change in their lives, being a base for the ever growing community football club, and alternative venue for the children's cricket club, or just a space for the 'yoof to hang out' – it is a much needed facility. We're now excited about the long awaited development project finally taking shape this summer! So far we have £115k, only £30k short of our target of £145k, to improve security, develop the functionality for community events, improve the kitchen and changing facilities, and to carry out the proposed leveling of the playing fields. The vast progress so far is testament to the generosity, goodwill and hard work of many local people who have given time, energy and dedication to provide opportunities, a safe space and a clubhouse to the next generation!

On Monday, 5th August at 7.30 pm at the youth club we're going to have an open evening to lay out the exciting plans for those interested in hearing about them. We'll also endeavor to answer any questions you have about the development. We need to raise the remaining £30k by the end of August! If 200 individuals, families or local businesses each gave £100 under Gift Aid we will be very close to meeting our target. What's more, one lucky donor will have the chance to name the building subject to the parish council's agreement! Please be part of this venture to further invest in the next leaders in education, government, sports, business, science, media, arts, families and much else. If you're able to donate then please make out a cheque to 'PSALMS' with 'youth centre fund' written on the back, together with your address, and drop it through the Town Hall letter box. We will then send you a gift aid form so that if you are a taxpayer the project can reclaim tax on your donation. A plaque giving recognition to all donors will be in the new building.

There is an urgency because a condition of the County Council element of the funding is dependent on the project being completed by April 2014, but we cannot commit to work without having the funds in hand. If we get this money by October this year we will get our much improved and usable youth building and so provide further opportunities for our fantastic young people to socialise, develop leadership, host sports events and much more. and the village can look forward to a grand opening sometime next year. Any questions please contact andy.harding@psalms.uk.net or 07845460163.

Andy Harding Youth Minister PSALMS (Painswick & Stroud Area Local Ministries)

Dave Carlile (Painswick Junior Football Club www.painswickfc.co.uk)



The Duke of Gloucester to visit community library



An enormous amount of work has been carried out by volunteers over the past year and the library trustees were therefore delighted and honoured that HRH the Duke of Gloucester plans to visit the library on the afternoon of Tuesday 16th July. He will unveil a commemorative plaque and meet library volunteers and selected guests. We do hope everyone in the village will welcome the Duke to Painswick. We want the Library to look its best and also show our guest what Painswick can do.

Co-incidentally the Library will be open on Sunday 14th July for the Art Couture Festival. As part of this occasion there will be free craft activities for children with local artist Vicky Hendzel-Walker from 'Crafty Kids' running these for us. From 11am children can make 'creepy house' hats and after lunch there will be a chance for the children to show off their efforts on the art couture catwalk. Between 2- 4pm children can come in to put together a wall frieze to further illustrate the 2013 "Creepy House" Reading Challenge.

All of this craft and artwork will be put on display for our Royal visit on Tuesday 16th. There will be lots of opportunity for children to use their imagination, please encourage them join in and get involved.

The Reading Challenge is a national scheme, which encourages children between four and 12 years to read at least six books in the summer holidays. There are lots of stickers and other bits to collect so please bring children in to sign up from Saturday 13th July. If further encouragement is needed we have bought lots of new children's books especially for the summer. Art Couture will have costumes on display bringing some pizzazz to the book cabinets. In addition there will be a book sale. Something for everyone!

Painswick Community Library has had a lot to celebrate recently with our first birthday on 19th June. Many Painswickians dropped in and enjoyed a slice of our fabulous birthday cake, made and iced with our logo, by Patricia Davey. A display of photos were a reminder of the many events and activities held during the year, with visits from Painswick Playgroup, Painswick Brownies, and a full house on Goodwill Evening among the highlights. Finally the library now has a laminator so do make use of this new facility (70p for A4 size)

Julia Churchley

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS 19th June by Terry Parker

Reports upon meetings of the Parish Council cannot help but be selective, if only because of space constraints. We try to highlight points of widest public interest, based upon what we see and hear.

The full minutes of Council and committee meetings are available for scrutiny at the Council's office.



PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Planning Committee meets twice monthly. No planning applications had been received since the meeting held on 5th June and there was therefore no requirement to hold a meeting on the 19th. Recent planning application decisions are reported on page 19.

PARISH COUNCIL

The Council Chairman, Councillor Martin Slinger, began the meeting by offering his and the Members congratulations to Councillor Jason Bullingham on his election as County Councillor for the Bisley and Painswick Division.

Apologies. Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ian James and Anne Smith. Councillor Ela Pathak Sen had given notice of late arrival.

Painswick Youth Club project

Councillor Caroline White reported on the status of the project. The Clerk confirmed that the Parish Council awaited the District Council's response to the planning application for the modernisation works to the former Rugby Club pavilion.

Post Office provision

The Clerk told the meeting that there had been no decision to date concerning a location for the post office. He said that one registered application had been received by Post Office Limited. Councillor Rob Lewis said that he was aware that there had been three expressions of interest but that Post Office Limited's stringent requirements had deterred potential applicants. One requirement was that the post office should be open during the lunchtime.

The distinction was drawn between a post office providing the full range of services such as car licences and a Post Office Local which only provided basic services. It was agreed to make the subject an agenda item at the July Parish Council meeting.

Tibbiwell post box

Members expressed considerable dissatisfaction with the lack of progress relating to the restoration of the post box. The Clerk had received a letter from the Post Office in which it was stated that the box was beyond repair with no spare parts available. It was also stated that the nearest box was only 120 metres from the Tibbiwell box. A petition of some 50 signatures had been received seeking the restoration of the box.

Parish Council co-options

The Clerk reported that two applications had been received for the Painswick Ward vacancy. He distributed submissions by

the residents which set out career details and the Councillors were then asked to indicate their preferred candidate by secret ballot. Councillor Pathak Sen arrived at this point. The Clerk then collected the written votes and, after a short interlude whilst they were counted, announced the result which was that Mrs Abigail Smith was the successful candidate. The Chairman congratulated Mrs Smith and thanked the candidates for their interest in seeking membership of the Parish Council.

Council Membership

Councillor Smith's election means that the Council now is at full strength. The Members are:

Edge Ward: Martin Slinger. Painswick Ward: Jason Bullingham, Ann Daniels, Rob Lewis, Ben Nicholls, Ela Pathak Sen, Abigail Smith, Anne Smith. Sheepscombe Ward: Ian James, Roey Parker. Slad Ward: Steve Morris, Caroline White.

County Councillor's report

Councillor Bullingham referred to the increase in Government funding for highway maintenance. He confirmed the recent announcement that Urbaser Balfour Beatty was to appeal against the decision of the County Council's planning Committee to refuse the application for a wasted incinerator at Javelin Park.

District Councillor's report

Councillor Nigel Cooper told the Members that the District Council had changed to a Committee system in place of the Cabinet system. He said that he had sought to "call in" the application for the erection of a new dwelling at Slad. His request, if agreed, would mean that the application would be considered by the Development Control Committee rather than by Planning Department officers.

Parish Plan

Councillor Caroline White introduced the final draft of the Action Plan. Councillor Bullingham asked what happened if the Plan did not accord with Stroud District Council policies. Councillor Lewis said that the Parish Council had to proceed as it would be some time before the District Council's Local Plan was approved. Councillor Cooper told the Members that the District Council was to consider the draft Local Plan at its meeting on 25th July. The Plan contained details of the proposed number of houses and their suggested locations. The Plan would then be subject to public consultation. The members unanimously approved the Action Plan and agreed to set up a working group which would determine how the Plan's recommendations were to be progressed. The Members agreed there was a need to create a "Councillor Champion" for each of the various

categories within the Action Plan.

Land and Buildings Committee report

Councillor White reported the recommendations of the Land and Buildings Committee.

She asked that the Council approve the closure of the St Mary's Street toilets during the winter months with the exception of the disabled toilet which would remain open for general use. It would operate on a timer lock. This was agreed. She then asked the Council to agree to seek costs to convert the men's toilet into a unisex/disabled toilet with baby changing facilities. The costs would include the stripping out of the ladies and current disabled toilets. This was also agreed with the further proposal that the Council consider alternative uses for the remaining part of the toilet complex.

Cemetery Chapel. It was agreed to accept a quote of £3,900 for works required to the Cemetery Chapel. Cemetery Lodge. It was agreed to purchase a new cooker up to the value of £300.

St Mary's Church. The members approved the request of the Parochial Church Council that a dog litter bin be installed in the Churchyard close to the St Mary's Street exit. Town Hall. It was agreed to purchase 120 new stacking chairs together with a trolley for the chairs and 2 trollies for stacking the tables. The cost of each chair was £14 and a trolley £125.

Tourist Information Centre (TIC). The members approved the proposal to allow the TIC to continue to use the Town Hall outer office until the beginning of November. The office would revert to permanent Parish Council use from that date.

Ward reports

Councillor Roey Parker asked if a dog letter bin could be provided at Sheepscombe Village Hall. This was agreed. Councillor Ela Pathak Sen drew attention to traffic exiting Bisley Street onto the A46. She also referred to the problem of large lorries using Tibbiwell and of the difficulties experienced by the Emergency Services in negotiating parked vehicles in the centre of Painswick. Councillor Anne Daniels spoke of the problems of illegal parking in the Town Hall car park and of the need to have badly worn double yellow lines repainted. Councillor Bullingham asked for an update regarding the Canton Acre central grassed area. The Clerk said this would be followed up with the District and County Councils.

Councillor Ben Nicholls asked for confirmation that parking on the Recreation Ground would be free on the day of the Art Couture event. The Clerk

confirmed that this was so. Councillor Nicholls also asked if on the same day parking cones could be positioned along the A46 verge between the Broadham Sports complex and the village. Councillor Lewis agreed to look at the raised area between the two surfaces in Hollyhock Lane. It was agreed to follow up the provision of low level lighting in Hollyhock Lane and Bisley Street/Recreation-Ground footpath.

Councillor Slinger said that at a recent Charter meeting with the County Council Painswick had been congratulated on the work carried out by volunteers to keep the streets clear of ice and snow. With reference to children crossing the A46 he told the Council that he was The Croft School/Parish Council liaison officer.

The meeting ended at 8.40pm. The next meeting scheduled for Wednesday 17th July would be held in Edge Village Hall.

Record Turnout for Horticultural Society AGM?

Who would have thought it - a respectable number of members and guests arrived at the Church Rooms on Wednesday 12th June but I think the credit for this should really go to our 2 great speakers that evening! And to all of you who didn't fancy coming along to an AGM, you missed a lively and thoroughly enjoyable evening.



Steve Quinton and Owen Vaughan (Head Gardeners of Rococo and Richmond Village respectively) each gave us great insight into their careers to date and what excites and motivates them. They are clearly experienced and talented professionals and I would like to thank them both on behalf of the Society for giving up their valuable time to come and talk to us. We would love to invite them back in the future to hear more tales and anecdotes!

Don't forget, you can see Steve's efforts any time at the Rococo Garden and Owen's hard work will be on show shortly when Richmond Village opens the gardens for the NGS on 21st July and 18th August.

Leslie Brotherton (Chairman) presented concise factual information to the audience about the successes and the things that hadn't quite got off the ground since the "new" Committee had set up nearly a year ago.

Rob Stevens summarised the financial position to the end of March '13, running through the printout that had been circulated prior to the start of the meeting.

Leslie confirmed the set up of the Committee as it moves forward and his plea for another committee member resulted in an immediate and very welcome expression of interest. He rounded off the AGM by thanking the Committee for their hard work and boundless enthusiasm - this comment was appreciated by all!

Caroline Bodington (Committee Member)

The Beacon archive

In this month, we reported

10 years ago

Charter Week events for week commencing 4 July includes the Croft School fair, The Vox Angeli Singers concert at St Mary's Church, a cricket match, Painswick against St Stephens from Cheltenham and a Charter Exhibition in the Town Hall. Painswick players were putting on a production "Living Legend" and a Victorian Street Market followed by a Costume Ball in then Painswick Centre.

20 years ago

Painswick Music Festival 30 July-1 August centred around a centenary celebration of CW Orr 1893-1976. William Orr lived in Painswick for 42 years.

30 years ago

Gyde Jubilee a great success. A successful weekend of events was held in good weather and with much support. The principle guest on the Saturday was the 83 year old Duke of Beaufort who was escorted around the Fete by Fred Semark.

Painswick Arts Festival

We are delighted to announce that the free Brochure for the Painswick Arts Festival is complete and now available in shops throughout Painswick and beyond.

-Over 30 different events, suitable for all ages and abilities including exhibitions, speakers, workshops, music and drama is coming to Painswick, covering the whole 6 weeks of the summer holidays!

- Tickets for speakers events are available from Karen at 'Seven', (formerly the Painswick Post Office).

Looking forward to all the support Painswick can give.

We sincerely thank all our sponsors for their support

Painswick Arts Festival – latest

Programmes for the Festival with details of all events are now available from the Painswick Centre (front lobby) and most Painswick shops. Don't miss these wonderful events designed to entertain you throughout the 'summer' (we hope)!
PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

We urgently need more entries, the deadline is 15th July so please get in touch NOW or it will be at risk of cancellation, so get snapping and contact Painswickartsfestival@mail.com

CORRECTION

Sophie Sterckx Singing Workshop is on the 28th July but this is a SUNDAY, not Monday as stated in the programme. This will be a happy, fun and uplifting afternoon for all. If interested please contact her on 01453 298138 or e-mail her on sophiegreatorex@hotmail.com or us at painswickartsfestival@mail.com
TICKETS FOR EVENTS

Tickets for the following events are now available from Karen in the (former) Post Office.

Sunday 28th July, Beacon Hall, 2.00 to 5.00 pm – Sophies Singing Workshop. N.B. Tickets £6.00 per head if bought in advance

Monday 29th July, Beacon Hall, 2.00 to 3.30 – Lynne Gibson's talk "How to Look at Art" N.B. Tickets £5.00 per head if bought in advance

Friday 2nd August, Beacon Hall, 2.00 to 4.30 - Mike Skidmore, "Painting a Classical Portrait" N.B Tickets £6.00 per head if bought in advance

Jackie Herbert

Painswick – the place to eat

As a place to eat, drink and be merry Painswick these days takes some beating. Within a few hundred yards around the centre there is an abundance of excellent pubs, restaurants and tea and coffee shops. In fact, all of our eateries are currently outstanding and deserving of wide recognition.

The Royal Oak now serves good traditional homemade pub food to a very high standard. The refurbished courtyard with barbecue and new tables and chairs is the perfect friendly setting for al fresco dining and the atmosphere inside is usually humming with relaxed diners and drinkers. Last month Mike and Gill hosted an exotic steak evening where customers were treated to kangaroo and moose. It was very well received and will be repeated on 6th July. Good food and good beer are always available at the Oak. You might even be treated to a little gentle piano music if someone is happy to play along on Doris, the resident piano.



The Falcon also offers live music regularly on the last Friday of each month. Private dining for special occasions and groups can be arranged in the Shires bar, a really good private venue, and, as Neil emphasises, the food is of the same high standard as that served in the main bar. The food on offer is temptingly wide-ranging but essentially traditional British fare. Light snacks, cups of tea, a beer, a full meal - the Falcon offers the complete range. With a choice of very pleasant dining areas it has a broad customer base from individuals to companies. It is both a pub and a restaurant with rooms and a very good atmosphere.

JK's @ St Michaels has recently been highly recommended in the walking magazine 'Country Walking' and described as excellent on the website TripAdvisor. Its fare ranges, according to Jean, from modern European with a twist to pan-Asian all served in the lovely dining area and at very reasonable prices. On Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays 6.00-9.00pm there is 'Stop the Clock' – your 2-course meal is charged as the time of your arrival. Takeaways from the main menu cost 25% less than the price of eating in and ready meals, which can be frozen, are also available.



Olivas has just appeared on the website TripAdvisor as being in the top ten worldwide in its category. Olivas has appeal on several levels. It is an excellent coffee shop serving tea, coffees and good hot chocolate, but also provides very good food indeed as a restaurant. Its fare is Spanish and Mediterranean including tapas and as a delicatessen it also stocks and displays very attractively some delicious items including locally sourced breads etc. All the meals and snacks are freshly prepared and of course, as Ximena points out, outside catering (for which Olivas has a glowing reputation) to the same high standard can be arranged.

The Bistro is delightful with its very pretty restaurant, attention to detail and excellent service from Catalina. From light lunches to full evening meals there is a wide range of dishes on offer all cooked freshly on the premises by Marin. His Romanian sausages are certainly special and different and very popular. The choice of food and quality of cooking and presentation are excellent. Takeaway food is available on request and from Tuesday to Saturday there is a very good special offer two-course lunch.



The Patchwork Mouse, recently opened to great acclaim, has already established itself as a lively and outstanding tea/coffee shop. With a display of temptingly delicious cakes and pastries, many of which are locally produced, and a range of fine teas, coffees and great hot chocolate to drink in or take away, David and Craig are now also providing a range of sandwiches. The Mouse is a lovely venue in which to meet up with friends or simply enjoy a well-earned beverage of choice amid delightful surroundings.

All of our eating establishments are excellent. All have a character of their own and all are a joy to spend time in. This level of excellence is achieved in each case through sheer hard work, attention to detail and the enthusiastic desire to provide the very best in food and drink. Such high standards of provision are essential to Painswick's economic well being and it is important therefore that both residents and visitors alike are encouraged to support these businesses of which we should be proud.

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Painswick Centre News



If you weren't in the Beacon Hall on the evening of Friday 7th June, you missed a treat!

Chris and Maire played their guitar and harp respectively to a very appreciative audience. We heard Irish music at its best as well as their own arrangements and compositions. We also learned the history of the music and its composers. They have promised to return.

Please do come and treat yourselves to a drink at the Beacon Hall bar on Art Couture Painswick day on Sunday 14th July.

Now that the Guild of Craftsmen have left the Gardiner Room for pastures new, the Trustees are working hard to upgrade it, new central heating, a water supply for a new kitchenette and new flooring (extended into the lobby) plus decorating. It is our aim to have this work completed by the 1st August when Art Couture Painswick take up the new tenancy. They have promised exhibitions and workshops galore, so watch out for the booking details! In addition, the old stair lift to the Cotswold and Green rooms is beyond economic repair and will be replaced after the new lobby flooring is laid.

The Centre's "Calendar Girl" reports that the 2014 calendar, called "Painswick Past" is about to be printed, so have your orders ready soon.

As reported last month the Skittle Alley Cafe will again be open, from the 7th to 26th August, excluding Mondays and Tuesdays other than Bank Holiday Monday. Would all helpers and volunteers please pick a date or two for cafe duty and let Gilly on 07583011326 or David on 812464 know.

David Linsell

Three days of fun for children

A three-day musical theatre workshop for children from five years of age will take place at the Painswick Centre on 30th/31st July and 1st August from 10.00am-3.00pm. This is a wonderful opportunity for children to reap a host of benefits as it combines the learning of new skills, creativity and fun in a stimulating three-day event.

Heidi Hardy and Julie Henderson, both with a wealth of experience in teaching children and musical theatre, are organising and running the workshop which will take place in the main hall of the Centre. It will be based around Roald Dahl's story, Matilda, which is very current and fresh and certainly has great appeal to both boys and girls. The story will be explored initially to extract themes and threads which the children consider relevant and significant and then, working in groups, they will devise a loose narrative. At the same time they will learn a range of dance and musical skills. At the end of the last day the children will present their creations in a short performance.

"We work them hard but it's great fun and friendly," says Julie, "and it covers a wide range of activities." This is very much child-focused and mainly about them enjoying themselves. It is not strictly instructive, though the sessions are structured. It is based around the children and is ultimately a very balanced learning and creative experience achieved with great fun. Confidence-building, team work, new friends, exercise, creativity, vocal skills – the benefits are manifold.

The emphasis is on learning new skills. "We aim to get the best out of every child. It's about them having a sense of achievement," say Heidi and Julie. The end performance is their final goal, a chance to demonstrate all they have learnt. Heidi and Julie are both fully qualified dance teachers – they run a dance school in Chalford - and both have extensive experience as professional performers in dance, drama and music in London and New York theatres. This is a great opportunity for children in the 5-13 (approximate) age group to develop a range of skills in a fun-filled environment. For bookings and further information contact Heidi on 07970.262538 or Julie on 07970.911103 or email ballyhoochalford@gmail.com

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We have enjoyed three talks since our last report, the first was a sobering introduction to Arthritis given by Steve Morton from Cheltenham Hospital. In particular, we learned about the prevalence of knee and hip replacements, the cost of these operations and the specialist equipment required. The difference and causes of Rheumatoid and Osteoarthritis were explored.

Frank Austin, a veteran of the RNLI took us through the history of the organisation then brought us up-to-date with what is happening in the world of lifeboats. The headquarters of the charity is in Poole which we learned has become an international centre of excellence with a training college as well as the business of designing and commissioning world class lifeboats. Cutting edge technology is used throughout, providing safety, navigation and communication advantages.

Bob Price already has form, having introduced us in the past to Nepal and Chile. This talk was about travels in Mexico which transformed our impression of the country, taking us through some magnificent scenery to many of the highlights of a the country as well as lesser known areas. We looked at some of their gigantic pyramids and learned about many of the theories and myths surrounding these structures.

Painswick Probus usually meet at 10:00 for 10:30 every fortnight in the Beacon Hall at 'The Centre' and visitors are welcome. Our programme of events is listed in 'The Beacon' each month or on our web site www.painswickprobud.org.uk

Glynn Nixon

'Tea and Tell'

Over the past months the Stroud District Older Persons' Forum has been holding a series of 'Tea and Tell' sessions to enable older people to talk about their experiences of ageing – the joys and benefits, as well as the problems and issues they face on a day to day basis.

To date, we have held ten sessions and met a hundred older people. We have been given a lot of information about the ageing journey for local residents; heard of some interesting experiences and increased our knowledge of the practical issues facing many older people

The next 'Tea and Tell' session will be held on Friday, 26th July, at The Richmond Painswick Village from 2:30 pm until 4:30 pm. Residents from Painswick and the surrounding district are invited to attend and enjoy a free tea (or coffee) and cakes. We would be grateful if you could join us. We are grateful to the staff and residents of The Richmond Painswick Village for allowing us to use their facilities.

To book a place, or to obtain further information about this and other sessions being organized by the Stroud District Older Persons' Forum, please telephone Jim Rollinson on 01452 830752 or email GOPA4672@HOTMAIL.CO.UK

Jim Rollinson

Chelsea Gold for Paul

Paul Hervey-Brookes, erstwhile landscape design advisor at the Rococo Garden and resident of Painswick, has won a coveted Gold Medal at the Chelsea Flower Show. This is, of course, a tremendous accolade and the acknowledged climax to a great deal of hard work.

This was Paul's third time at Chelsea and his biggest garden to-date at 100 square metres. As it was also Chelsea's centenary year there were many more entries than previously so winning a medal carries even more kudos than usual. Forty gardens were accepted and Paul's garden was placed in the 'Fresh' category representing new ideas and innovations.

With a well-established reputation already behind him, Paul was approached by Brandalley, a big name in the fashion world, which was willing to sponsor his entry. Together they decided on the theme which was based on the current fashion industry and the remainder of the work, ie the design, was down to Paul. The process is much more extended than is immediately apparent. The design has to be submitted to the RHS the previous August. Participants are given 12 days before the opening (21 May this year) to set up their entries. In Paul's case contractors took the first week to build the structure after which he did all the planting. "The last five days were very pressured," he says, pointing out that he used 2000 plants in total, all of which were sold for charity at the end of the show.

His Brandalley Garden used a preponderance of orange and cream herbaceous plants, shrubs and trees, against a black granite setting. The general feel was loose and free. A written explanation is submitted in advance and on the day of the assessment the judges talk with the designer for five minutes. Judgement is given 24 hours later via a card. "I'm a pessimist," says Paul, "and didn't expect anything." When he took his card from the envelope he was completely shocked, did not believe it and asked a lady passing by to read it for him to confirm what he thought he had read! Now, of course, he is thrilled, but delightfully modest about his achievement.

Partly as a result of his Chelsea win but also because of his growing reputation, Paul has now been invited to Japan to create a garden at the International Gardening World Cup. Only six gardeners from across the world who are considered to be of world-class standard are invited to participate in this event. He is also working on the RHS Tatton Flower Show which takes place in the last week of July. This modest young man, whose passion for plants and design is very apparent, is certainly to be congratulated on his achievements so far.

Carol Maxwell



Shakespeare on the Lawn

The Gloucestershire Youth Players are performing "Much Ado About Nothing" on the lawn at Hambutts Orchard, Edge Road, Painswick on Friday 26th July at 7.30pm. This very talented youth group led by local director Edward Derbyshire is coming to Painswick this year prior to their performance in the RSC open stages programme in Stratford.

This young and enthusiastic ensemble of actors brings you the timeless battle between the sexes. The play is set in the present day, after a nameless war, and performed in the round amongst the audience and the shrubbery. With a fresh and exciting approach to Shakespeare they are certain to provide a wonderful night out for Shakespearean novices (including children) and seasoned lovers of the Bard alike.

Bring rugs and a picnic and join in the fun. The garden will be open from 6.00pm.

Tickets can be bought in advance by contacting the director on transinica@f2s.com or at the gate on the night. Price £5 for adults and £3 for concessions.

Kate MacDuff

Sue Ryder 60th Anniversary

Vintage Strawberry Tea Party
Saturday July 6th 2.30 – 4pm
In the Church Rooms, Painswick

Adults £5.00 Children £3.00

Pauline Breeze

Country Studio Art Exhibition

Country Studio is an Art Group which has been meeting in Painswick for over thirty years. The Group meets every Tuesday morning, Autumn and Spring, in the Church Rooms to work on their own subjects in their choice of media – oil, acrylic, pastel, water-colour and graphite, producing a variety of work. Sometimes an artist is invited to come and give a demonstration. We are encouraged to complete and frame our work to display on the walls of the room and take part in the Annual Exhibition.

The Exhibition this year is at the Church Rooms, Painswick from 2nd – 5th August, 10 am – 5 pm, with work for sale and refreshments.

Malcolm Minnie 813662.

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Painswick's Saturday Market

As many of you will already know, Painswick's new Saturday Market started trading at the beginning of May and has opened its doors each Saturday ever since, between 9 am and 2 pm, in Painswick's Town Hall.

We now have a regular core group of traders offering top quality local produce, including beautiful bread from Painswick's The Artisan Baker, free range turkey, duck & hen eggs, Cotswold cheeses, locally reared, rare breed pork, sausages & bacon, home made cakes and Olivas' deli delights, together with a changing array of hand made art and craft.

The market was set up to enhance Painswick's offering to the local community and visitors at the weekend, bringing more local, excellent produce, art and craft, right to our door.

The market is on a 5 month trial period, running until the end of September. A decision will be made in early September, if it is to carry on beyond this.

If you value the Saturday Market's contribution to Painswick life, then I urge you to use it and support it as regularly as you can. Try and include it in your weekly shopping plans!

The more trade it gets, the more traders will come to sell at it and the more the community and visitor will benefit from having it in our village.

Without your trade and support, the market will stop at the end of September. It's that simple.

Chris Mercer

Michael and Clare – among the best

Michael and Clare Gamble have been cited as among the best funeral directors in the UK in 2013 by the Good Funeral Guide, having previously won two Stroud Life Business awards for Small Business of the Year and an environmental award.

Based in Stroud, the business is marked out as special partly because it is small – there are very few independent family-run funeral businesses nowadays – and thus able to offer a very personal service. The author of the Good Funeral Guide described it as follows when writing of funeral directors, 'Some, a precious few, are truly outstanding, and Michael Gamble is one of them.'

Michael and Clare run their business from Station House, Station Road in Stroud, a perfect setting with its own car park and dignified atmosphere. Naturally they are thrilled to have been given this award in recognition of their hard work. A well-established Painswick family, they decided to set up their funeral business, initially in London Road, Stroud, only five years ago. Michael had previously been known to many locally as a fully qualified landscape gardener and one of our own retained firefighters.

This is indeed a proud achievement.

Carol Maxwell



Yew Trees W.I.

Comedy Songs and Campervans – Nicola Clark

None of us knew quite what to expect when we attended our May meeting but it is safe to say that all of us thoroughly enjoyed Nicola Clark's description of her 'midlife crisis'. Nicola was a portrait painter living in London when one day in her mid forties she suddenly decided to stop what she was doing, buy a campervan and 'go west'. She travelled south through Dorset, Devon and Cornwall and ended living up in Camborne for many months.

Nicola was lucky enough to have a pleasant singing voice and to be able to play the guitar so she was able to keep body and soul together by singing songs she wrote herself in pubs along her route. She augmented her lecture to us by singing some of her songs. These included such titles as 'Where is my Handyman?' describing the frequent breakdowns of her beloved van, 'Camborne Girls' about the rough reputation of said girls, 'Heroes' about two dogs lent to her during a trip to South Africa and 'The Knitting Song' describing her mother's obsession for knitting.

The highlight of the evening was 'The Giant of Cerne Abbas' in which she explained how, on her 45th birthday, feeling depressed and disillusioned she climbed up the Giant and 'lay on the phallus of the Giant of Cerne Abbas' a tradition carried out by the young maidens of Dorset in the hopes of capturing a man and becoming pregnant. While lying there looking up at the blue sky, Nicola realised that she didn't want either a husband or a baby and that actually she was doing very well on her own so she was able to carry on with her quest for a peaceful life. We weren't really told why she now lives in Tetbury or whether she has a less nomadic life but she seemed supremely content and we certainly enjoyed her talk.

Vicky Aspinall





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The Art Couture Painswick Festival - Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th July

We are just a few short summer days away from one of the highlights of the Painswick year, The Art Couture Painswick Festival 2013!

Numerous members of our unique Painswick community, with help from many others from the surrounding area and further afield, have been beavering away behind the scenes, to devise and prepare the village for a Festival to surpass those memorable offerings enjoyed in previous years.

We have scoured the country for the finest musicians (at a price!), to perform for you, the most entertaining street entertainers to entertain you, the most creative people to create incredible wearable art and body art for you and the finest purveyors of art, craft, produce and food, to fill our beautiful streets for you.

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The fun kicks off on Saturday 13th July, when between 4:30 pm and 9:00 pm, there will be a musical evening set in St Mary's churchyard, on the main Art Couture Festival stage, and hosted and sponsored by Murrays' finest Estate Agents, Richard & James.

The evening will open with a Metamorphosis-themed parade through the churchyard by the children from The Croft school, followed by musical performances from their Year 6 summer show. This will be followed by sets from some of the best local musical talent, including Tom McNair, A4T6, Tim Mahendran and Kitten and Bear. Delicious food will be available from JK's and a hog roast from John Hinds, whilst the Falcon will be running a full bar from the hospitality marquee on the Memorial Garden.

This ACP prologue will be followed by an early night, to conserve your energy for the fun, frolics and festivities of the full blown Art Couture Festival the next day.

The Art Couture Painswick Festival

Taking over most of the centre of Painswick, the festival starts at 11:00 am, with the ringing of St Mary's famous bells and continues through the day, finishing at about 7:00 pm. Featuring the fabulous wearable art competition, this year exclusively on the churchyard stage, the day will be a feast of art, music, street entertainment, seasoned with a heady mix of food, art, craft and produce stalls.

With music interspersing the wearable art on the main stage and smaller musical stages at The Painswick Centre and Friday Street, a Body Art competition, circus skills workshops, street magic, balloon artist, bubbles, over 65 fantastic stalls, Dr Dawn, an incredible panel of judges from the worlds of art & fashion, a Town Hall Caribbean cocktail bar, a Battle of Britain Memorial fly past, etc etc, the excitement is reaching a fever pitch of anticipation! Just pray for another sunny day!!!

So, how much does such an incredible weekend of top-class entertainment cost?

Perhaps £95 a single ticket, or £225 for a family of four, like other festivals? No, luckily for you, much, much, much less! We would encourage you to buy a programme at £2 in advance and £2.50 on the day. We would also like you to buy a wrist band at £2 in advance and £2.50 on the day. The wrist band will be your 'ticket', to show your support for the day and help enable us to put on the show. more....the wristbands are sponsored by your local hostellers, The Falcon & The Royal Oak, and to thank you for buying them and thus supporting the festival, they will entitle the bearer to many months of exclusive offers, from discounted meals to special promotions

Another way of further supporting the festival is to buy the brand new Art Couture Painswick book, on sale now around the village and at the festival for £14.99 This beautifully produced publication charts the short, meteoric rise of the Art Couture Painswick phenomenon and captures the look and feel of the festival through its superb photographic record.

Volunteers urgently needed

We need a lot of volunteers to make the festival weekend run as smoothly as possible. If you can help, we will be holding a volunteers briefing at 6:30 pm on Wednesday 10th July; please help us to make the day a wonderful experience for everyone.

Art Couture Painswick is now a registered charity, with this simple mission statement:

"To promote Painswick, the Queen of the Cotswolds in Gloucestershire, as the ultimate showcase for the wearable arts, by staging a competition within an annual festival, which fosters community spirit and nurtures artistic talent."

This is your local charity, based in your community, which brings so much creative positivity and inspiration to so many. Please support it by buying the programme, the wrist bands and the fabulous book, but most importantly, have a fantastic Art Couture Painswick Festival!

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Picnic at Rococo on Saturday 10th August

Imagine a lovely balmy evening, a magical setting and the chance to share it with treasured family and friends.....well, the Friends of Rococo Garden can't guarantee the weather but they would like to invite you to join them on Saturday 10th August for a picnic in the Garden during the Art in the Garden exhibition.

Bring your own blankets, picnic and refreshments and come and enjoy the Garden and the art exhibits with family and friends.

The Garden will be open from 6.30pm to 9.30pm and tickets will be available on the day. Friends of Rococo Garden and members of Painswick Horticultural Society and all guests - £3.00 per person.

Non members and all guests - £5.00 per person. Accompanied under 16's - free of charge.

Dogs are welcome but must be kept on a lead at all times.

Come and join us and feel free to invite lots of guests - everyone is welcome.

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Erratum

In the June Beacon, front page, Churchwarden should read Margaret Radway.

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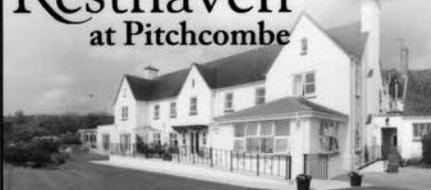
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Activities for children in Painswick

Are you wondering whether there will be anything for your children or grandchildren to do in Painswick this summer? Don't worry, because for such a small place there are a surprising number of activities they can immerse themselves in throughout the village.

Sport

In sport alone there are lots of things to be getting involved with. The Painswick Tennis Academy (www.painswickltd.co.uk; 07775606399) is running both Mini Tennis Camps for 5-9 year olds on Mondays and Thursdays and All Day Camps for 8-16 year olds on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays, during the three weeks starting Monday 5th August. Those interested should phone Lorraine Ristic on the above number.

At Painswick Cricket Club (painswick.play-cricket.com) there will also be cricket practices in the evenings, as well as Tag V (www.tagv.co.uk).

In terms of football, the Dragons Football Camp (07525468574) starts on August 5th at the Painswick Rec, which will include training in the key aspects of the game as well as a free Dragons T-shirt.

Arts

It's not only sports that young people can take part in. The Painswick Arts Festival (www.painswickarts.com) provides multiple opportunities for children to have fun, with some of the workshops aimed at children. The "ANIMATED FILM IN A DAY" workshop- from age 7 upwards- between 22nd and 27th July will include them animating their own film, led by Andy Symanowski of 'Wallace and Gromit' and 'Shaun the Sheep'.

The "BALLYHOO" workshop from 30th July- 1st August for ages between 5 and 12 years old- is led by the West End and Broadway's Judie and Heidi, where children can learn to sing, act and dance. The Arts Festival will be a great way to learn something new in an exciting and energetic environment. Why not take a trip to the Rococo Gardens (www.rococogarden.org.uk; 01452813204)? You will find a hide-and-seek themed "Thomas Robin" trail that will capture youngsters imaginations as they hunt for wooden animals hidden in and around the garden. What's more, the Art in the Garden show on 1st August would prove very exciting and interesting for any children who want to explore their creative side.

The Painswick Community Library (painswickcommunitylibrary.org.uk; 01452 814744) is introducing the Summer Reading Challenge commencing 13th July for those aged 12 and under- there will be rewards and incentives along the way to encourage children to read at least six books. On the day of Art Couture (14th July) not only can children enter the festival itself but the library is also offering free craft sessions. Anyone can get involved in the morning and afternoon, making hats and a large frieze

Other activities

The Youth Club (andy.harding@psalms.uk.net; 07845460163) is also somewhere to look if you're trying to think of something to do before the holidays. Their Messy Church on 4th July at the Croft will include both water and family activities. On 8th July there will be activities for secondary pupils including water balloon volleyball, football and a barbeque. The club itself will be shut over the summer so that it can be redeveloped and they need to raise £30k by the end of August for these exciting plans.

As you can see, there is a wide range of activities going on in Painswick this summer, so you won't have to drive to find something for your children or grandchildren to do. It is important to support these local clubs and organisations and if you do then next year there might be even more

Natasha Ion (Junior reporter).

Stroudend Tithing Educational Trust

.....will be sponsoring an event for the Council of British Archaeology's Festival of Archaeology again this year. It will be in the form of a short introduction to Cotswold stone and its use in historic buildings, based at an early 17th century house and include a short walk around Edge looking at different forms and use of stone and its historic context. It will take place on Tuesday July 23 at Edge Hill Farm, Edge at 7pm. The event is free but booking is essential as numbers are limited. To book contact Carolyn Luke on 814139.

Carolyn Luke

75th anniversary for Resthaven

Resthaven Nursing Home in Pitchcombe celebrated the 75th anniversary of its opening on Sunday 2nd June. Lisa Maxwell our local celebrity opened the afternoon of Music on the Terrace. The sun shone and approximately 250 residents and guests were entertained by the Gloucestershire Symphonic Wind Orchestra and enjoyed tea and cream scones on the lawns overlooking the beautiful Painswick valley, while listening to the music and chatting.

Resthaven was started by Maud Little who was acting superintendent of the former Standish Hospital for wounded soldiers. It has changed over the years and now has 35 rooms looking after the elderly on a long-term basis or offering respite care to families who need temporary help with frail relatives. It is run as a non-profit making charity.

Halfway through the afternoon Christine West opened the John West Memorial Garden. John was a trustee of Resthaven who gave very generously of his time and experience and who died earlier this year.

Thank you to all who donated to the collection for a new minibus to enable residents to enjoy outings.

Picture on the right shows Angela Emery (Resthaven's Care Assistant) and Lisa Maxwell



Jenny Chapman

Painswick's new museum

The future of Christ Church has been a source of concern for many in Painswick since its closure almost three years ago. After much speculation as to purpose its doors are once again open to reveal a very impressive collection of Arts and Crafts furniture. It is, in fact, a gallery and museum housing the Ashton Beer Collection.



John Ashton Beer bought the building mainly because of the beautiful Burne-Jones window. It is also, of course, an excellent space in which to exhibit the collection, or part of it. There are at least 100 chairs by different designers, selected from a total of well over 1000 altogether. The original pews are still in situ and the chairs are displayed on platforms over the pews at eye level which is quite visually spectacular.

In a small room off the hall examples of William Morris's work are on display and upstairs some superb examples of C.R. Ashbee's chairs can be seen. In the photograph John is standing next to a rather extraordinary Ashbee chair; as he points out, here are more Ashbee chairs in a small space than may be found anywhere else. Quite apart from all the chairs, the collection also comprises other furniture, some textiles and decorative arts. Eventually the plan is to include some metalwork and ceramics too and furthermore the display will be changed regularly.

This exceptional collection covers the best of the Arts and Crafts designers from much of the 19th century and all of the 20th century. Painswick was for several decades in the last century a lively centre of the movement with some artists and craftsmen resident here and many others regular visitors. Architectural examples in Painswick are notable, such as the Almshouses and the public bath house. It is appropriate, therefore, that John's collection should be exhibited here and Christ Church is the perfect space to house it. Presiding over the whole is the Burne-Jones window, carefully and lovingly presented in all its splendour and glory. At present the museum (there is an entry fee) opens on Saturdays and Sundays from 11.00-4.00 with tea and coffee available.

Carol Maxwell

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Flowers of the Cotswolds & Greece

With the Field Club

Our last lecture in 2013's summer evening series takes place next Wednesday 10th July when Dr Makis Aperghis, will talk about Greek Flowers. Dr Aperghis resides for most of the year in Athens, but regularly visits the UK to give lectures on economics at the LSE. Formerly, also the Secretary-General of the Hellenic Society for the Protection of Nature, he will give us a glimpse of the beauty of Greek wild flowers. Our meetings are held in the Beacon Hall, at the Painswick Centre. Refreshments are served from 7pm, the talk starts at 7.30 pm and non-members are most welcome (£3).



On 30th July, we have an opportunity to learn more about our local summer flowers on a botanical visit to the Barrow Wake area, starting at 11 am. This section of the Cotswold Scarp, together with Crickley Hill, carries SSSI status for its range of habitats characteristic of the Cotswold limestone,

including species rich grassland, scrub and semi-natural woodland. We can look forward to finding a diverse flora, before adjourning to a local hostelry for an optional lunch. Please contact me for further details and to pre-book.

Jane Rowe, tel. 81322⁸

Probus Women

The beautiful and atmospheric 400 year old Chavenage House was the destination for the Probus Women Summer Outing.

The visit started with coffee in the Great Hall with its beautiful stained glass windows. Chavenage is a family affair and Caroline Lowsley-Williams gave us a history of the house liberally sprinkled with family anecdotes which were not only informative but very entertaining. Her brother George then gave us a tour of this interesting house. Some parts have remained untouched since the Civil War and contain important and interesting tapestries. One fragment of tapestry had been found wrapped around a hot water pipe and the colour of this fragment was particularly vibrant as it had been protected from the light. The authenticity of these rooms is much loved by film-makers and there is a long list of productions which have been filmed at Chavenage including: 'Lark Rise to Candleford' and 'Cider with Rosie'.

We heard many stories of ghostly sightings, dramatic drops in temperature in some rooms and strange behaviour by dogs. One of the film crew had felt the pressure of a ghostly hand on his shoulder whilst setting-up one of the rooms.

After the tour we had a delicious lunch served in the Ballroom. Caroline had mentioned that a film crew was on site and, as promised, to end our day we were given a tour of some outbuildings which had been miraculously transformed into a cider factory, office and a bar which the week before had been a garage for two cars. We particularly admired the luxuriant hanging baskets and the abundant white Wisteria on one of the buildings – artificial of course. Three tons of apples had been ordered for the set – but these were real ones!

We had a most enjoyable day, if a little chilly, but this just added to the fascinating stories and situation of this lovely Cotswold stone house.

Our next meeting is on Monday, July 8th when Brian and Sally Lamerton will talk about Antarctica. Time 10am for 10.30 in the Church Rooms. We do not have a meeting in August.

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Four pieces of good news this month!

Painswick has been awarded £1,000 by Plantlife, the charitable organisation that "speaks up for the nation's wild plants", for juniper habitat restoration. The money is to enable an area of the Beacon to be cleared of trees that are beginning to shade a sunny bank that has previously been important for its butterflies and wild plants. We will be removing pine and ash trees so that the bank can again become sunny. We will then be removing some patches of turf so that Juniper seeds (which we have previously harvested) can germinate before grass, herbs and flowers spread back again.



The work is due to be completed before December so we will make a start, unusually, with working parties in July and August. These will be at our usual time, 10 am to 1 pm on Saturday mornings, July 6th and 27th. Rendezvous point will be the lay-by on the B4073 Painswick/Gloucester road near the Holcombe turn off. See also Village diary. Grid Ref SO860103.

A date for your diary. On Sunday 28th July at 2pm one of our members Pauline Lillico will be leading a joint walk with the local Butterfly Conservation Group. The meeting point is the Beacon's top car park, near Catbrain Quarry. Grid Ref SO867118. The target grassland species includes: Skippers, Dark Green and Silver-washed fritillaries, Ringlet, Common Blue and Chalkhill Blue. Wear stout shoes and bring your camera?

Our second grazing paddock now has four Gloucester cows and three calves enjoying the vegetation. They happily eat nettles and ash seedling leaves as well as the grass. Matthew Watts, their owner, keeps an eye on them to make sure there is enough for them to eat. Local 'Lookers' check them every day to monitor their general health and ensure they have enough water. Near the paddock we have been pleased to find a number of White Helleborine 'sheltering' amongst the trees. There have also been early purple orchid and, earlier, snowdrops close to the paddock entrance.

David Allott

Chairman, Painswick Beacon Conservation Group 812624

Hannan's new business venture

After months of meticulous planning and preparation, Hannan, known to many in Painswick, has launched a new business. He is now an events and functions organiser and his business is called Simply Your Choice.

Hannan came to Painswick in 2005 having already gained valuable experience abroad working in some top class restaurants. He explains that, although he had completed a university degree in Bangladesh, finding suitable employment there was not easy. He took a job in a very prestigious restaurant where he learnt the business mainly by observing excellent practice. Always working front of house, by the time he arrived in Painswick he had developed his skills to a very high standard and that is the reputation which he has continued to enjoy.

Working first at what was then the Painswick Hotel where he very quickly became the restaurant supervisor, he went on to manage St Michaels Restaurant for five years. Hannan has always wanted to run his own business so this is an important step forward for him. He has thought carefully about precisely what direction to take, worked out his business plan and wisely consulted with many people for advice. As he says, he needed to get it right.

Hannan provides the complete package for any event – weddings, birthdays, funeral functions, corporate events and so on. He

offers a broad range of menus and types of food, in fact whatever the customer wants, and has already established contacts with the very best restaurants locally and in Cheltenham. He understands that this is mutually beneficial inasmuch as he will be marketing the restaurants he uses whilst simultaneously offering the very best to his own customers. He recognises the need to provide excellent service.

Simply Your Choice will provide the complete package – food, drink (Hannan is licensed), cutlery, crockery, table linen, whatever is needed. Staff will be employed as necessary but Hannan points out that he will always be totally responsible for the success of the event.

Hannan's approach is intelligent and professional and very impressive. When explaining his plans, what is very much in evidence is his conscientious attention to every last detail, his enthusiastic and soundly professional attitude and his determination to provide perfection. Highly articulate, he already has a reputation locally for excellence and impeccable standards.

If you wish to know more or would like to avail yourself of his services there is a website www.simplyyourchoice.co.uk or you can contact him on 814468 or email info@simplyyourchoice.co.uk.



Stroud and District Mencap Society

Thank you to all who came to the Coffee and Cakes morning held in the Centre on 1st June. This was in aid of Stroud Homes Foundation and the Stroud Food Bank and raised £400 to share between the two charities. We were immensely cheered by all who came to sample the variety of home-made cakes and to buy from the various stalls. An especial thank you must go to Jonus who advertised the event for us by wearing a sandwich board and handing out flyers around the village.

The severe cuts being made in allowances to disabled people make charity fund-raising even more essential. The village, as always, turned up trumps and we are very grateful to everyone for their continued support.

Marion Sadler - 812363

Carol Maxwell

Successful Coffee Morning for Helen Sammon

A Coffee morning held at Edge View, PAINSWICK on Saturday 15th June has so far raised £560 for the incredible work that Helen and Alastair Sammon are doing in Kasulu, Western Tanzania, AFRICA. Alastair a surgeon works four days a week at four different hospitals driving through rutted, muddy unlit roads where the only remedy for a sick car is the Dr. himself to enable him to get home. Not easy after a twelve hour day in the operating theatre. Helen, who is to be installed as an Honorary Canon of Gloucester Cathedral on July 10th whilst home on leave, teaches at the Kasulu Bible College and has just run a residential course for the wives and their babies of the 15 new pastors she has helped to train. They and their wives will be expected to take considerable leadership responsibility in the local village churches. Helen also calls on her previous experience as a GP during her everyday work and preached her first sermon in Swahili at the Cathedral in Kasulu a few weeks ago.

Our immediate neighbours Ximena and Brian Nunez Hughes owners of Olivas, lent us their tables, chairs, urn, cafetieres and coffee as well as erecting their marquee to enable us to shelter should the weather prove inclement. Brian also excelled himself helping to push up the bids at the Auction very expertly run by Ian Wotherspoon. To all the helpers and buyers from the various parishes we are immensely grateful because without their hard work, time and attendance none of this would have been possible. Well-done everyone!!!!

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“Heart of Oak”—and “Summer” Migrants.

Club visitors arriving at Nagshead RSPB Reserve on 10th June, were greeted by dull skies and cool airs, immediately relieved even in the car park by the amazing and curious ‘spinning coin’ call of the apposite wood warbler! The varied woodland includes vast ancient oaks of SSSI status originally planted for the great vessels maintaining Britannia’s ‘rule (of) the waves!’ And here were the 400 nest boxes favouring avian predators of the defoliating caterpillars that in earlier times could have threatened history!



Also the dead wood for feasting invertebrates – more bird fodder for ecological balance – here bluebell carpets, Digitalis purpurea, fern and bracken – here the grubblings of the wild boar, not today in threatening mode. Only one member glimpsed a single redstart, despite excellent guide, Lewis’ quote of seven pairs nesting. A male pied flycatcher fed young a’box while a flitting firecrest beside the John Pitt Ride, sang its own song before a teasing imitation of the goldcrest.

From thence to the free coalminers at their quarry, across widening heath amongst sparse pines where soon should lurk ever more nightjars, more adders. Last the romance of fallow deer – sighting accompanied evidently by a garden warbler and blackcap duet – at the ponds, there were the swan and coots on their nests whilst on the water, we saw little grebe, tufted duck even mallard ducklings as the feeding house martins swept by. Here too were other juveniles as usual demanding – this time, young raucous raven. So much have you missed!

This year’s Residential field trip is on the North Norfolk Coast (Monday 7th-Thursday 10th October), which will include several, guided visits to RSPB Nature Reserves. Visitors are very welcome to join the group - for further details please ring 01452 812951.

Wendy Addy

Painswick Local History Society Finds Galore at Foxes Field



At the June meeting of the Society, Mark Brett, a Senior Project Manager with Cotswold Archaeology, described and explained the veritable wealth of finds discovered during excavation in 2010 of Foxes Field, Ebley Road, Stonehouse.

The site was earmarked for the construction of a new housing estate so this excavation would be the only opportunity available to understand what appeared to be interesting archaeological features in aerial photographs taken in 1946 and confirmed by a geophysical survey undertaken in 2009.

The many artefacts and ground features uncovered in fact showed the presence of a substantial Roman villa and area of industrial activity dating mainly from the first to the fourth century AD. Considerable amounts of domestic pottery, or at least potsherds, and pieces of tiling suggested a domestic set-up and smelting activity was indicated by areas of slag and samples of burnt materials. Over 300 pits and distinctive postholes were found indicating structures but sadly there was insufficient time and funding to investigate them satisfactorily. The excavation took place during a very cold winter so the presence of snow, wind and frozen ground did not help the situation!

However, there were some truly interesting finds including a crop-drying oven, a rotary quern stone with iron spindle, a sunken trackway to a pasture, a bracelet, a nail cleaner, brooches, glass beading, coins and a finger ring as well as large quantities of building materials and some evidence of very much earlier settlement. Fifteen human burials of various types were revealed within the enclosure including a double burial, some crouched, some supine and some flex and a cleaver was found in one grave.

The question remains as to how many more sites such as this one exist in our area. Several Roman villas are already known about and it would certainly seem that the Romans favoured this locality as a place in which to settle and retire.

This was the last meeting of the season and talks will resume in September.

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Carmina Burana

Once again several Painswick singers took part in a Stroud Choral Society concert, this time a sell-out in the Subscription Rooms on 8th June, first with “Songs for a Summer’s Evening” by English composers, then “Carmina Burana” by Carl Orff in the second half.

A most entertaining and varied performance by one of the oldest choral societies in the country and an opportunity to hear sounds of music that are not very common. Equally unusual some of the cast, above all The Melody Makers of Bath Abbey - a choir for children between the ages of 6-11, the stunningly exciting Regency Percussion Ensemble, and the world famous counter tenor James Bowman. The dramatic crescendo at the end summed it up beautifully.

Ralph Kenber.

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Sports reports *assembled by John Barrus*

Cricket

Painswick first eleven had a welcome return to form when they defeated Dumbleton by 4 wickets at Broadham on Saturday 23rd June. Batting first Dumbleton were restricted to a total of 116 runs with Painswick's bowlers sharing the wickets. Adam Armistead was Painswick's top scorer with 35. There was disappointment for Painswick the following day in the Regional National Championship Final when they lost to Rockhampton by 42 runs. A first wicket stand of 242 gave Rockhampton a solid platform to reach a challenging score of 270.

First Eleven results

Sat 25th May. Lechlade 1st XI 256 Painswick 1st XI 226-9.
Sun 26th May. Painswick 216-5 Christian Malford 187-8.
Sat 1st June. Painswick 1st XI 133 Rockhampton 1st XI 135-4.
Sun 2nd June. National Village Cup. Ebrington 1st XI 177-4 Painswick 1st XI 180-7 (J Harber 77).
Wed 5th June. (20 Overs). Ullenwood Bharat 173-5 Painswick 104.
Sat 8th June. Painswick 1st XI 146 (D Cave 50). Biddestone 1st XI 148-3.
Sun 9th June. Painswick 192-8 (G MacDuff 67*) Birdlip & Brimscombe 194-7.
Tue 11th June. Painswick 179-5 (D Cave 58 J Cook 50*) Chalford 72-8.
Sat 15th June. Chippenham 1st XI 193-9 Painswick 1st XI 67.
Wed 19th June. Painswick 89 Cheltenham Saracens 93-1.
Sat 23rd June. Dumbleton 1st XI 116 Painswick 1st XI 118-6.
Sun 24th June. National Village Cup. Rockhampton 1st XI 270-1 Painswick 1st XI 201-9 (E Bressington 53).



Home fixtures

Sat 6th July. Painswick 1st XI v Westbury 1st XI.
Sun 7th July. Painswick v Wotton Bassett.
Sat 13th July. Painswick 1st XI v Chipping Sodbury 1st XI.
Sat 20th July. Painswick 2nd XI v Cinderford 2nd XI.
Sat 27th July. Painswick 1st XI v Rockhampton 1st XI.
Sun 28th July. Painswick v Birdlip.
Sat 3rd Aug. Painswick 2nd XI v Apperley 2nd XI.

Cricket Week fixtures

Fri 26th July. Painswick CC v Luddesdowne CC.
Mon 29th July. Painswick CC v Sheepscombe CC (20 Overs).
Wed 31st July. Painswick CC v Chairman's Eleven.

Athletics

Kate Davies 2nd in South West Schools

Schools Athletics offers a structured progression for pupils trying the sport up to competing at National and International Level. Most Districts hold trials and enter teams in County Championships. Kate Davies (no 29), who lives in Painswick and attends Stroud High School was selected to compete for Gloucestershire Schools in the South West Schools Championships on Saturday 15th June.

She came 2nd in the Senior Girls High Jump with a height of 1.55m and 2nd in the Javelin with a throw measured as 32.60m. A week later she was back again representing Gloucestershire in the SW Schools Combined

Events Championships. She came 2nd in the Senior Girls Heptathlon with 4157 points, which ranks her 8th

in the UK in the under twenty age group, and 19th for women overall, and qualified her for the English Schools Combined Events Finals in September. Within this, she achieved personal best performances (PB's) in 100m Hurdles, Shot Putt and Long Jump.



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Contact Kim Brockett on 812623 or yogikim@hotmail.co.uk



Tennis news

Road To Wimbledon.

Painswick LTC held its under14 Road To Wimbledon Tournament during May, with a record entry.

The boys final was between Dominic Perris and Ajay Dhaliwall. The match was of the highest caliber with some amazing shots from both players. Dominic won the match 6-2, 6-3, by playing very consistent tennis.

The girls final was between Emily Hall and Regi Ristic-North. Emily won the first set 6-4 by playing more consistently. The second set was very close and tense, with both girls playing quality tennis leading to a tiebreak to decide. Emily held her nerve and saved three set points before winning the set 7-6.

The winners will now represent Painswick LTC at the County Finals and hopefully go on to play at the Under14 Finals at Wimbledon in July.



National Junior Club League.

Teams were entered in all age groups from U8 to U18.

The under8 and under10 teams were managed by Club Coach Lorraine Ristic who was so impressed with how they all played their hearts out and fought for every point. The under12 girls had a convincing win over Beckford in their final match and the under12 boys also finished with well deserved wins over Minchinhampton and East Glos. All of the other age groups ended with respectable league positions.

Painswick LTCLadies Charity Tennis Tournament

On Friday 14th June, 24 ladies enjoyed a morning's tennis and a lovely lunch.

The winners of the tournament were Hannah Redman and Maggie Slader.

Many thanks to everyone who attended and supported this charity event for the Sue Ryder Hospice in Leckhampton, which raised over £300.

Anyone interested in joining the club should contact Ruth Smith on 01452 813693.

Painswick Golf Club



The second and final round of the Seniors Championship took place on 23rd May. There were two trophies to be won. The first is the Championship itself, which is for the best combined score, and this was won by Phil Payne with a combined score of 156 for the two rounds. The second trophy is the Seniors Tankard, which is for the best net score (i.e. after handicaps are taken into account) and which cannot be won by the Championship winner. The Tankard was won by David Walker with a net score of 134. Congratulations to both winners.

In addition to these competitions, the Seniors had three friendly matches over the last month. The normal outcome of winning at home and losing away was broken by a very creditable draw at Alice Springs Golf Club.

If you are interested in playing Painswick's unique course, please get in touch with our professional, Marc Cottrell (01452 812615), or Seniors Captain, Peter Rowe (813228). The club welcomes visitors and new members.

Bowls World Champion plays at the Falcon



Tony Allcock, 15 times world champion and currently Chief Executive of the English Bowling Association, came to the Falcon Bowling Club in Painswick on 11th June to play in a charity match to raise monies for the "visually impaired bowlers of England". Tony championed the Gloucestershire select team against a "Friends of England bowling team" who are major sponsors of the sport in this country.

On arrival the visitors were provided with a buffet lunch, provided by the Falcon members. This was followed by a very enjoyable afternoon of bowling, helped by fine weather, and the day ended with a social dinner.

Tony has a long connection with the Falcon Club, and is a long standing life member. In the past he has done coaching of bowls and made coaching videos at the club. Tony retired a few years ago and is shortly planning to move back to Gloucestershire to live, which may give him more opportunities to visit us here in Painswick.

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July News from your Village Agent

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Good to be here again. I'd like to start with a "thank you" to Mr M for telling me that I had put an incorrect contact number in last month's article. I wrote about SAGE (safer driving with age) which is a scheme run by Gloucestershire County Council to help older drivers providing support, guidance and coaching. You will find the correct number at the end of this article.

I have been meaning to remind you about a very simple and useful scheme called "Message in a Bottle" which is sponsored by the Lions Club. It consists of a small plastic tub in which you have a form to put down essential details such as the medication you take, any medical conditions, and next of kin etc. This "bottle" goes in your fridge and there are 2 green stickers, one goes on the outside of the fridge, the other in your hall so it can be seen if the emergency services were entering. All the emergency services know about the scheme and will go straight to your fridge. This is really useful especially if you live on your own or may not have other people at home who know all your medical details. The fridge has been suggested as a good storing place because it can generally survive a fire! If you would like one of these bottles, I have a load of them so call me up or you can get them from Stroud council.

In the last few weeks I have enjoyed helping different people to try out local Day Care services. As you know my role as a Village Agent does not cover providing transport however I am happy to take a person to an event (where possible) if they need a little support to try something for the first time. I've thoroughly enjoyed

my time at Uplands in Stroud. This is a day centre running on a Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from approximately 9.30am-3.30pm. There are a variety of activities, days out, different therapies lunch and bathing facilities. The services are offered to older

people in the Stroud area. Also in Stroud is the Acorn Centre which opens Monday to Thursday and offers similar services but doesn't have bathing facilities. There may be financial help available to meet the costs of either centre if you meet the Adult Care Directorate criteria. If not, the Acorn Centre costs £15 for the day not including transport (which they will help to arrange through The Volunteer care service or Ring a Ride). Uplands cost just under £30 and that includes transport and outings.

Nearer to home for some is The Wednesday Ashwell Group based at Ashwell in Painswick. This is a lovely day of company, lunch and activity for older people in the community who might enjoy good company. Transport may be arranged if you are living in Painswick and you can discuss your need with Sandra or Etelle when they visit you. I don't have details of the exact cost but I know that it is a very reasonable day.

Don't forget; I may not have the answer, but I'll do my best to find a person who does!

Lou Kemp 07776 245767

Acorn Day Centre: 01453 766533

Ashwell Wednesday Club: Mrs Sandra Glass 01452 814186

SAGE: 01452 425600

Stroud District Council: 01453 766321- ask for the Community safety department

Uplands Day Centre: 01453 759388

PROPERTY REPORT for June

Murrays have again had a very successful couple of months with sales again on the increase. We have also seen a lot more property come to the market with us, which as long as the buyers are out there is a good thing! Nationwide have said that house prices edged up by 0.4% in May providing further support for the view that the housing market is gradually gaining momentum. The three month on three month measure of house prices, which is a smoother measure of the underlying trend, has been in positive territory since October last year. The annual rate of house price growth also ticked up to 1.1% in May which is the fastest pace since November 2011. It's also worth mentioning that the number of measures of housing market activity has started to move in a positive direction and in the first four months of 2013 the number of property transactions increased by 5% and the mortgage approvals were 4% above last years monthly average.

We are also very excited to be one of the main sponsors of The Painswick Art Courture festival on the 13th/14th July and both my brother Richard and I will compere the music festival on the Saturday night so please come along and give us your support. Murrays in Painswick have again taken on many more lovely properties including Pear Tree Cottage, a pretty 3 bed cottage in an elevated position off Vicarage Street, 18 Upper Washwell, a substantial 3 bed family house with 1 bed annexe attached, 27 Upper Washwell, a large semi detached 4 bed family house,

Uplands, a 2 / 3 bed bungalow with big garden and lovely views on Painswick Beacon off Cheltenham Road, 5 acres of land off Kingsmill Lane/Stroud Road (already under offer), Halfway Cottage, a detached 3 bed Cotswold Stone cottage on Halfway Pitch in Pitchcombe, Brentham, a substantial 4 / 5 bed family house also in Pitchcombe with stunning views, Manteg, a 4 bed modern detached house in Slad with beautiful gardens, Far End House, a charming 3 bed house on Far End in Sheepscombe (already under offer), Crofters, a spacious detached 3 bed house right on the common in Cranham and Leverets Barn, an immaculately done 3 bed/3 bath barn conversion in a lovely location close to the village of Brimpsfield.

Properties that we currently have under offer are 38 Ashwell, 5 acres of land off Kingsmill Lane/Stroud Road, Little Place on Hollyhock Lane and 8 Hyett Close all in Painswick, Eastlea on Back Edge Lane in Edge, Orchards Bungalow in Pitchcombe and Far End House on Far End in Sheepscombe. Properties that have now sold are King's Mill House on Kingsmill Lane, Painswick, Chapel Cottage on Gloucester Street, Painswick and 4 Vatch Cottages in the Vatch in Slad.

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JULY

Sat	6	Saturday Market; various stalls - every Saturday until September Painswick Beacon Conservation Group Scrub Clearing Working Party: location check - 813734 Sue Ryder Foundation: Vintage Tea Party Victorian Costume Ball: for info. Tel. 01453 833150	Town Hall. Lower Room Painswick Beacon Church Rooms Painswick Centre	9.00am to 2.00pm 10.00am From 2.00pm 7.30 to 11.00pm
Mon	8	Probus Women: Antarctica - Brian / Sally Lamerton. Short Mat Bowls - Mondays (contact 813627) Club Pulse for school years 5 - 8: Mondays (next to Recreation Ground Yoga (Mondays) contact Kim 812623	Church Rooms Painswick Centre Church Rooms Town Hall P'wick . Youth Centre Sheepscombe Vill. Hall	10.00 for 10.30am 10.30am 5.30 to 7.00pm 6.30 to 8.00pm & 8.15 to 9.45pm
Tue	9	Cupcakes for Carers & dependents: for info tel: 813326 Bingo: Tuesdays – Tel. Ann, 813911/Liz, 813139	P. Centre Green Room Ashwell House	1.30 to 4.30pm 6.30 to 9.00pm
Wed	10	Yoga (Wednesdays) contact Kim 812623 Probus: My Ancestors - the Bloody Vikings - Tore Fauske Baby Bounce & Rhyme (Library) Wednesdays Cotteswold Naturalists Field Club Lecture: Greek Flowers - Dr Makis Aperghis. Enq. 813228	Sheepscombe Vill. Hall Painswick Centre Town Hall Painswick Centre	9.30 to 11.00am 10.00am 2.00 to 2.45pm 7.00 for 7.30pm
Thu	11	Yoga - All Abilities (Thursdays) Cotswold Room 812623 T'ai Chi: Thursdays - Contact 812344 Dog Training Club (Thursdays) Jolly Stompers Line Dancing: Beginners - Thursdays Experienced beginners - Thursdays	Painswick Centre Town Hall Church Rooms Town Hall Town Hall	9.30 to 11.00am 9.30am 9.30 to 12.00noon 12.00 to 1.00pm 12.30 to 1.30pm
Fri	12	Country Market: Coffee available - Fridays Friday Club: Boat Trip from Gloucester Docks	Town Hall Stamages Car Park	10.00am 1.45pm
Sat	13	Art Couture Painswick	Around the Village	
Sun	14	Art Couture Painswick	Around the Village	
Wed	17	Parish Council Meeting	Town Hall	7.30pm
Fri	19	Friday Club: Antiki Expedition - John Russell	Town Hall	2.30pm
Sat	20	Copy Date for August Beacon Theatre Outing to Bath Art Exhibition: Kathy Neilson, Karina Gabner & Janice Anderson. Daily until Sun 28th Summer Art Exhibition Preview: Glos. Society of Arts	Stamages Car Park P. Centre, Green Room P. Centre, Beacon Hall P. Centre, Beacon Hall	11.00am Daily 7.00 to 9.00pm 10.00am to 4.30pm
Sun	21	Summer Art Exhibition: Glos. Society of Arts - daily until Sat 27th July	P. Centre, Beacon Hall P. Centre, Beacon Hall	7.00 to 9.00pm 10.00am to 4.30pm
Mon	22	Workshops for children: Animated film in a Day: daily until Fri. 27th. £23/child/day	P. Centre Cots. Room	9.00am to 3.00pm
Tue	23	Cotteswold Naturalists Field Club Guided tour of Bletchley Park. Enq. 01453 872243 Stroudend Tithing Educational Trust: Walk around Edge to look at use of stone: to book tel: Carolyn Luke 814139 Yew Trees W.I.: Demonstration of Indian Cooking - Ela Pathak-Sen	Stamages Car Park Edge Hill Farm Church Rooms	7.00pm 7.00pm 7.30pm
Wed	24	Probus: Ladies Summer Luncheon Horticultural Society Outing: Westbury Court, picnic & Severn Bore	The Hill, Stroud Stamages Car Park	12.30 for 1.00pm 8.45am
Fri	26	Shakespeare on the Lawn - Much Ado about Nothing - Gloucestershire Youth Players. (Edge Road)	Hambutts Orchard.	6 for 7.30pm
Sat	27	Painswick Beacon Conservation Group Scrub Clearing Working Party: location check - 813734	Painswick Beacon	10.00am
Sun	28	P.B.Conservation Group / Butterfly Conservation Group butterfly walk on Painswick Beacon Summer Singing Workshop with Sophie Sterckx. £8 / head inc. tea/coffee. Tel< 01453 298138	near Catbrain Quarry P. Centre, Beacon Hall	2.00pm 2.00 to 5.00pm
Tue	30	Cotteswold Naturalists Field Club Botanical Walk (car share) Pre-book on Tel: 813228	Barrow Wake Car Park	11.00am

AUGUST

Thu	1	Art in the Garden (daily until Sept 15th) Gill Allen & The Ashwell Group : works on display daily until end of August	Rococo Garden St Michael's Restaurant	11.00am to 5.00pm Daily
Fri	2	Country Studios Art Exhibition (also 3rd & 4th) daily	Church Rooms	10.00am to 5.00pm
Sat	3	August Issue of The Painswick Beacon published Friends of Rococo: Open Air film in the Garden "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf"	Rococo Garden	6.30 for 7.00pm
Tue	6	Cotteswold Naturalists Field Club Coach trip to Blaenavon & The Big Pit: Enq. 813230	Stamages Car Park	
Sat	10	Friends of Rococo Garden: Picnic in the Garden	Rococo Garden	6.30 to 9.30pm
Wed	14	The Handle Bards perform Twelfth Night (also 15th)	Rococo Garden	5.45 for 6.30pm
Thu	29	Cotteswold Naturalists Field Club Walk: Decorative building stones of Cheltenham. Enq. 813228		

SEPTEMBER

Mon	9	Probus Women: Waitrose talk on Cheese	Church Rooms	10.00 for 10.30am
Fri	13	Friday Club: Bookbinding - Ann Weare	Town Hall	2.30pm
Tue	17	Local History Society	Croft School	7.30pm
Sun	29	Apple Day		
Tue	24	Yew Trees W.I.: History of Penicillin - Denys Thompson	Church Rooms	7.30pm
Fri	27	Friday Club: History of Inn Signs - Angela Pancrucker	Town Hall	2.30pm

OCTOBER

Wed	2	Cotteswold Naturalists Field Club / Painswick Bird Club: The language & folklore of birds - Charles Martin 813228	Painswick Centre	2.30pm
Mon	7	Bird Club residential field trip - North Norfolk coast (until 10th) Details: 812951		
Fri	11	Friday Club Autumn Outing to Batsford Arboretum		
Tue	22	Yew Trees W.I.: Stroud News & Journal (Open Meeting)	Church Rooms	7.30pm
Fri	25	Friday Club: The Vine Project - Pat Chase	Town Hall	2.30pm

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CHURCH ORCHARD, Far End, Sheepscombe
Reduce height of Eucalyptus back by 25ft, reducing lateral branches back to 12ft from building reshaping the rest of the tree to match the shape. The tree is to be left in a natural shape.

LITTLE ACRE, Kemps Lane
Erection of a single storey timber framed orangery.

THE PATCHWORK MOUSE, New Street
Replacement of 2 1980's windows. Window 1 is to be replaced with a single Window. Window 2 is to be replaced with a set of doors leading out to the Courtyard space from the kitchen.

TABITHAS WELL, Tibbiwell Lane
Erection of single storey extension two storey rear extension and conservatory.

RECREATION GROUND PAVILION, White Horse Lane

Reconfiguration of internal layout to provide: new lavatories, changing facilities and kitchen, omission of existing bar, new rooflight, central façade and relocation of windows.

CONSENT

WINDRUSH, Beacon Close
Proposed single storey extension to rear.

THE LODGE, Gyde House
Norway Maple(By shed) – remove large limb, reduce others by 50%, strip off Ivy from lower 2m of main stem. Cherry by hedge – fell to near ground level.

WOODLANDS, Edge Lane, Edge
Erection of detached garage

WASHWELL COTTAGE, Lower Washwell Lane
Erection of 2 dwellings.

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For further information please contact: Mrs S Baker – Clerk to the Trustees 14 Green Close. Uley Dursley Glos GL1 15TH 01453 860379

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This year the house-to-house collections and events at St. Mary's Church Rooms generated a fantastic £9,876 for Christian Aid. The money raised will help Christian Aid's work to tackle global poverty. The Painswick Valley Christian Aid Committee would like to say a big thank you to all those who donated, attended the events or helped run them.

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The Personal Column

Jenny Gaugain

Condolences

Our sincere sympathies to the family and friends of PHILLIP OAKLEY who has died recently

Personal messages

BARBARA LUCAROTTI died peacefully on June 7th. The family would like to thank all those who cared for her in her final years, in particular her carers Christine, Kakuli and Hannan, Doctors Rhys Evans and Jenny Du Toit and Lisa Withey from Cotswold Care Hospice
Michele Lucarotti

On behalf of my family and friends may I thank all our friends for their kind messages of sympathy on the death of my dear wife AUDREY.

They were not only a great source of comfort for me but also a reminder of our happy years living in Painswick
Brian Haslett

Sincere sympathies to the family and friends of RALPH TYLER who has died recently

You could help Jenny Gaugain, if you would relay information about those you know and for whom a mention in the Personal Column would be appreciated.

Study on well-being of older adults

As part of my MSc at the University of the West of England, I am conducting some research investigating well-being and flourishing among older adults and how their health status and attitudes to the ageing process may impact people's well-being. To this end I am looking for older adults (60+) in the Painswick area to assist me in completing a questionnaire in confidence. I have chosen Painswick as one of my target areas as I have lived and worked in Paradise for the last 10 years so know the area well.

To sign up for the study, participants can call 0790 1848876 or via email kirsten2.mueller@live.uwe.ac.uk, and I will send the questionnaire pack including the information sheet, consent form, the questionnaire and a prepaid return envelope. Participants can also choose to enter a prize draw at the end of the research, the winner receiving a £40 voucher for the Cotswold Food Club to dine in one of their pubs including Fosters Ash, The Old Lodge, The Old Fleece, Tipputs and The Britannia. Any details given by participants will only be used to contact the winner. All personal details will be securely destroyed after the prize draw.
Kirsten Mueller

Thanks

Last week my wife, our 3 year old and I visited Painswick and while there we lost a postcard in the children's play area. We had written and stamped it and were intending to post it. We didn't notice until the evening when we were miles away. We were very happily surprised to find out today that the postcard has arrived at its destination address. We assume that someone found it and posted it for us. Although we have no idea who it was we would like to say thank you. And also compliment your town on its nice people.
Tony Ware

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