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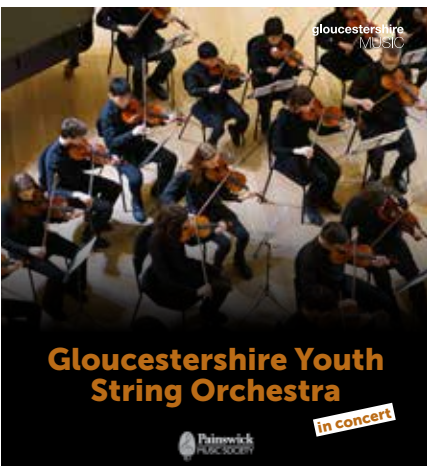
November 2023

Painswick's Christmas Goodwill Evening

Friday 24th November
5.00- 8.00pm

Among the many activities will be a Festive Concert in St Marys Church ,and a children's Goodwill map trail Also a lantern procession with Santa and his Elves to the Grotto at the Painswick Centre where there will be a festive market. Local business will be open all evening . Come join the fun amongst the fairy lights in the churchyard

Full details and a flow chart to help plan your visit available on page 8.



Concerts

The Gloucestershire Youth String Orchestra.
Sunday 19th November in St Mary's Church
6-7pm .

Free entry, retiring collection for Raise the Roof..

Write ups for past and future concerts see page 4

Remembrance Day

The Armistice Day Service will be held at the War Memorial on Saturday 11th November at 10.50 am when wreaths will be laid and the names of the fallen in both World Wars read out. This annual civic service is organised by the Parish Council.



Plenty to see and do in Painswick this November

Promises Auction



in support of the St Mary's roof.

Friday 17th November at St Mary's Church from 6pm.

Around 100 donated promises will be auctioned on the night. The entrance programme of £10 will include a free glass of wine and a raffle ticket. Full list of promises so far listed on page 6

Community Suppers are back

With Fish and Chip Nights

Painswick Community Support, in association with The Painswick Centre, is pleased to be hosting a series of Fish and Chip nights provided by Simpsons. We hope to welcome both young and old to each supper and provide an inclusive environment where people can meet new friends, neighbours and forge deeper bonds within our community.

The food is complimentary but donations will be welcomed to help with future events.

The first date is Tuesday 7th November but is now fully booked, waiting list only.
See page 3. for more information

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS from the meetings held on 18th October

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 and on-line at the Parish Council's web site.

PARISH COUNCIL meeting held in the Town Hall on Wednesday 18th October

Present:

Cllr Martin Slinger Chairman
Cllr Andy Cash
Cllr Adrian Gyde
Cllr Sandra Hunkin
Cllr Ian Massey
Cllr Rosie Nash
Cllr Roey Parker
Also Present: 1 Member of the Public.

Apologies were accepted from Cllrs James Cross, Rob Lewis, Abigail Smith and District Cllr Gary Luff.

Reports

County Council. Cllr Susan Williams sent in a written report

District Council Cllr Gary Luff sent in a written report

Chairman. The Chairman gave the following report: "On the agenda we are asked to approve an update of our 'Emergency Plan' Please do not get worried at this point, we are just bringing the plan up to date in readiness for any emergency that may happen in the Parish where we may need to look after all of you, the population be it Flooding, Snow, Water or gas or electric, etc. off over large parts of the parish for a long period and to which SDC and the County Council would be involved and in the worst case to move some of you to a place of safety".

The Council unanimously agreed to adopt the revised Emergency Plan

Ward reports

The Bunch of Grapes. The Council raised its concerns in that the rear wall of the Bunch of Grapes has not been reinstated and therefore was causing a risk to the public on the Recreation Ground. It was agreed that the Clerk will write to the owner and ask for the wall

to be reinstated or the access restricted to prevent children entering the garden.

Hedgerows in the Parish. The Council raised its concerns about the numerous overgrown hedgerows in the parish which are obstructing both the pedestrian footway and the 20 highways. The Members were asked to report specific issues to the Clerk for onward reporting to County Highways.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING The next meeting will be on Wednesday 15th November 2023, at 7.30pm in the Town Hall. there being no further business the meeting closed at 8.15pm

PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE meeting held in the Town Hall on Wednesday 18th October 2023 at 7.15 pm

Present:

Cllr Andy Cash Chairman Cllr Ann Daniels, Cllr Adrian Gyde, Cllr Sandra Hunkin, Cllr Ian Massey, Cllr Rosie Nash, Cllr Roey Parker, Cllr Martin Slinger, Also in attendance: 1 Member of the Public.

Apologies were received from Cllrs James Cross and Rob Lewis

Matters requiring a decision:

a. S.23/1841/VAR Steanbridge House, Slad Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) from application S.22/1757/FUL - Extension and external alterations. Demolition and erection of replacement swimming pool, pool building, machine store/workshop, greenhouse and stabling to include replacement workers. accommodation - Approval for amended proposals & drawings. Steanbridge House, Slad The Committee agreed to Object to this application as it felt that the variation was creating a new dwelling and therefore feel a new full planning application would be more appropriate.

b. S.23/1828/LBC Jenkins Barn, Jenkins Lane, Edge Erection of a lean-to greenhouse. The Committee agreed to Support this application.

c. S.23/1827/HHOLD Jenkins Barn, Jenkins Lane, Edge Erection of a lean-to greenhouse. The Committee agreed to Support this application

DATE OF THE NEXT PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING – Wednesday 1st November 2023 in the Town Hall at 7.00 pm. there being no further business the meeting closed at 7.25 pm

Road Closure

Golf Course Road, Painswick

This road will be closed from 27/11/2023 to 08/12/2023 to allow for installation of the Gigaclear infrastructure by Gigaclear.

Emergency and pedestrian access will be maintained.

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Friends of the the Croft School will be holding their Firework Display tonight November the 4th at 6.30

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Painswick Community Support

Community Suppers - Fish and Chip Nights

We have space for up to 80 villagers for each supper, where you will be able to choose from 5 menu options. The food is complimentary but donations will be welcomed to help with future events. Painswick Centre will open up their paid bar for you to enjoy your favourite tippie.

Confirmed dates

Tuesday 7th November
Tuesday 5th December
Tuesday 2nd January
Time: 5 -7pm
Event Address: The Painswick Centre

To register your place and pre-order, complete the form by scanning the attached QR code, email us at painswickcommunity@gmail.com call us on 07956 203087.



Reminder of other community events

Community Lunches

Home-made soup, bread and cheese hosted by Painswick's community groups and clubs at the Town Hall every Monday from 12-1.15pm up to and including December 4th.
(Look out for dates of lunches after Christmas in the December Beacon).

Wednesday Pop- In

Tea, coffee, biscuits and activities at the Town Hall starting Wednesday, November 1st, 10-12 noon.

Friday Hub

A variety of greeting cards and other stationery will be available to buy from Chrissie Martin on Friday, November 17th at the Hub 10-11.30am.

If you need help or support or have any questions, please call or email us (mobile: 07956203087, email: painswickcommunity@gmail.com). Our phone is manned 7 days a week from 9am to 5pm.

Painswick Community Support Committee Delyth, Abigail, Louise & Hannah

Christmas front cover

We would welcome any photographs or artworks that might be suitable for the front cover of the December Beacon that has traditionally featured a Christmas theme, contributed by our readers. Any original artwork submitted, whether chosen or not, will be returned after consideration.

Reporter sought for the Painswick Beacon.

To report the Parish Council Meetings and various other duties.

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Gloucestershire Police Male Voice Concert

There was a large audience on Friday 13th October for the Gloucestershire Police Male Voice Choir's concert in aid of the St Mary's Church re-roofing project. The choir has raised well over £750,000 for charitable causes during its 50 year history, and it was clear from the outset that they love singing under their charismatic young conductor Lucas Bailey. Their programme was wide ranging including songs from the shows, hymns and anthems, all sung from memory and with excellent diction.

In an expertly crafted programme, the choir sang two groups of 3 or 4 songs in each half, several from the 60's, 70's and 80's, and for many in the audience, this was clearly a much appreciated trip down memory lane. All were sung with passion and an appropriately wide dynamic range, and for me, particularly memorable performances included Sunrise, Sunset from Fiddler on the roof, Leonard Cohen's Hallelujah, Sondheim's Send in the clowns and Bring him home from Les Miserables, which was especially moving. Particular mention also has to go to California Dreaming and An American Trilogy, comprising All my trials Lord, the Battle Hymn of the Republic and Dixie, both of which brought the house down, and will linger long in the memory. The choir was accompanied brilliantly throughout on the piano by Diane Martin.



The guest soloist was 13 year old Beatrice Myers-Dickinson, who is already an accomplished performer and held the rapt attention of the audience throughout her 5 songs which ranged from Schubert and Britten to Bernstein's Somewhere from West Side Story and Lloyd Webber's Wishing you were somehow here again from Phantom of the Opera. Beatrice also joined the choir for a lovely performance of Mozart's Ave verum corpus, and clearly has a great future ahead of her. St Mary's is enormously grateful to the choir and Beatrice for providing such a delightful evening which raised a splendid total of just over £1000, and to Jane Burt for organising it and her helpers for serving the interval drinks..

Future Raise the Roof Concerts in St Mary's Church

Sunday 19th November 6-7pm - Gloucestershire Youth String Orchestra

The county's premier youth string ensemble comprising 50 young string players directed by Nick Steel. Programme comprises works by Telemann, Mendelssohn, Svendsen, Monti, Tchaikovsky, and Sibelius. Free entry with a retiring collection

Saturday 9th December at 2.30 - Wycliffe Choral Society, Messiah – Handel

Conducted by Christopher Swain with soloists from Gloucester Choral Society and organist, James MacDowall-Scott. Tickets, priced £10 (£2 for U18's), telephone 01452 810935

Chris Swain



Chris Hall and Robert Burgess

More than £330 was raised for the Church Roof Fund at a concert by Chris Hall (baritone) and, Robert Burgess (piano) at a very well received concert in St Mary's Church on Sunday 22nd October.

Stephen Friar

The Painswick Centre Update

The Trustees of The Painswick Centre are pleased to be able to confirm that the Centre has now been registered as an Asset of Community Value. The Trustees have worked with the Parish Council to gain this status which means that if at any stage the Trustees should wish to sell the property, then it has to be offered to the community first. The community would then have a six-month period of exclusivity to act before it could be offered elsewhere. The registration applies to the entire curtilage of The Centre, which includes the buildings, cottage, car park, gardens and bowling green.

The Centre continues to increase the number of activities and events that are held there and will be hosting the Community Suppers on 7th November and 5th December.

Food Nights

The Trustees have also been attracting more food vendors and October saw the return of **Simpsons Fish and Chips** along with new vendors **Maasai Kitchen**. The new monthly **pizza nights** on a Tuesday are also proving popular. Finally, the Beacon Hall and bar will be open as usual for the Painswick Goodwill evening on 24th November.

Ceri Chaplin



Last month saw WickFlix return with a showing of the film Hallelujah and next month the final film of the year will be The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry, on Friday 10th November. At this screening the author of the book, Rachel Joyce, will be coming along to answer a few questions before the film starts.



Friday 10th November
The Painswick Centre



Doors and bar open from 7.00pm. Screening starts 7.45pm

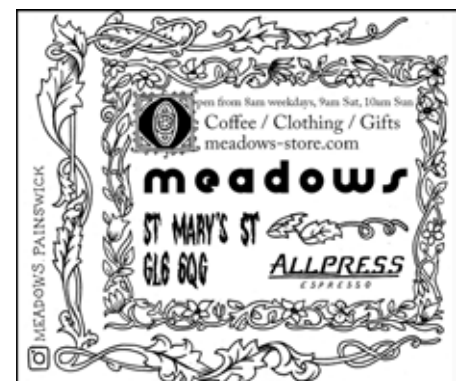



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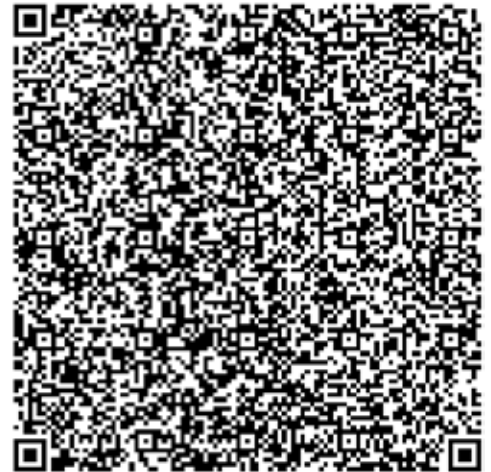
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Raising the Roof Promises Auction from 6.0pm Friday 17th November

In support for the St Mary's roof appeal

The Auction will be a fun evening. We are very lucky to have our local auctioneer Will Fair who will be auctioning about 80 donated promises. The entrance programme (£10) will allow you a free glass of wine and a raffle ticket. The wine has been very kindly donated by Balfour winery owners of the Falcon. Below are some of the generous promises already offered. The list will be closed at the end of October and then a full description of all promises will be posted on the Benefice Facebook, social media and displayed in the church. This will allow you time to gather friends together to share meals and experiences. If you wish to leave a bid before the event you may post it through the Benefice letter box at the Lychgate. Below is a précis of some of the promises.

Contacts - Joan Warner 07970448426 Libby Graesser 07973747656



Promises so far

Physio voucher
 Paintings and commissions
 Voucher for Pegasus
 Several hosted dinner parties
 Hair voucher
 Ride in 2 Vintage Bentleys and lunch at Calcot Manor
 Christmas cakes and mince pies
 2 cakes of choice
 A table decoration
 Richmond Spa voucher
 The Meadows Shop voucher
 One week in Portscatho Cornwall for 2
 Treacle tart
 Murrays fee reduction
 2 nights stay for 2 in a cottage in Woodchester winery
 Pooch voucher
 Cream tea for 6 at Verlands, flowers and tour of garden.
 10 bags of manure
 Small portrait of a pet
 Pottery
 Dog walking x2
 Chimney swept

6 course tasting menu for 2 at Painswick hotel
 Decorated Christmas tree from London florist
 3 osteopath treatments
 Outdoor lighting for special event
 10 bags of superior compost
 Case of rose
 Personal wellness coaching
 5ft Christmas tree
 Quirky painting of Painswick
 Watercolour of house or garden
 2 separate half days gardening
 2 hour interior design consultation
 Private yoga session for 2
 Cooking demo by Max la Manna
 Tennis racket restrung
 Signed books by Martin Williamson
 Christmas candles
 Bespoke luxury door wreath
 Shire horse coaching and ride
 Fishing on the Colne
 Butler and waitress service for drinks party
 Glos rugby tickets
 Patch work cushions

Taxi up to 20 miles each way
 Round of golf for 4 people
 Voucher for guided walk of Highgrove garden
 2 tickets for opening concert at 3 choirs festival
 2 tickets for Glos choral Society
 A portrait painting
 3 herbal dressings/sauces
 An hour hitting a tennis ball with Alicia Barnet Grand Slam Wimbledon player
 Authentic Indian meal for 6
 Large fillet of beef
 2 tickets for public highlights and Crypt tour
 Long weekend or midweek for 2 in Peak District
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Think Painswick first - Christmas Shopping

That time is looming when we need to start thinking about the festive season and shopping. Our local retailers are all very dependent on our custom and it is important that we support them as much as possible. So, before taking off for other shopping areas do look in Painswick first.

The Painswick Centre art studios are full of really special art items and cards and next to them in the cafe is Handmade in Painswick where you will find a range of locally made products. Longfield has Christmas cards depicting local scenes as well as books, toys, games, bags, bric-a-brac etc and Rupert Aker in the Loovre in St Marys Street also has some excellent Christmas cards on sale. The Pharmacy, Kate Rich's little shop, Meadows, Premier, the Fabric Shop, the Rococo Garden shop and the Thursday market are all worth visiting before considering going elsewhere.

As for Christmas trees, we have the very best right here in the Exedra Nursery at the Rococo Garden. Grown in the west country by a family with 50 plus years experience, they are definitely top quality and there is a choice of species. Furthermore, the Exedra is working in collaboration with the Longfield charity Christmas tree recycling scheme so that disposing of your tree after Christmas can be done both responsibly and for the benefit of a very worthwhile cause.

Think Painswick first and support our local traders.

Carol Maxwell



Painswick Playgroup Request for fiddle items

We are hoping to make our own wall mounted fiddle boards at the village playgroup and lots of the items are old household appliances like light switches, wall mounted phones, piping, locks, hinges, old window bangles/doorknobs etc I'm sure the village have lots of these things hanging around and we would be very great full for donations.

Alice Huggins email alicehuggins@icloud.com



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Grow, grow, grow

Painswick Playgroup's annual Egg hunt is only 6 months away and we would love to appeal to all the keen gardeners in the village to please make division and sowings this autumn that we could sell at the egg hunt. If you think this could be you please let us know what you may be able to donate in terms of plants and we will plan a fantastic plant sale as part of the egg hunt festivities





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Painswick community welcomes one and all to celebrate the season of Goodwill

At 4.45 on the 24th November, as the sun drops below The Beacon, the bells of St Mary's Church will ring out to welcome one and all to our annual celebration of Goodwill. Come ready for a fun packed night which is always a highlight of Painswick's calendar.

The evening begins at St Mary's Church with a festive concert from the children of The Croft Primary School, here too local artists will judge the children's art competition and prizes will be given out by a very special guest! Children can take part in a Goodwill map trail and prize draw with maps available from the church and The Painswick Centre. A lantern parade with Santa and his elves will leave the churchyard and process to the Grotto at The Centre, where Tibbiwell Alpacas will be in situ ready to pose with anyone who wants the best selfie ever! Visits to Santa's grotto are a must on any festive evening, and in the spirit of Goodwill we ask children to bring an unwrapped gift to give to Santa or for parents to make a donation. Santa will be pleased to receive children's Christmas letters to take back to the North Pole!

The Painswick Centre will host a festive market with a wide range of independent sellers offering beautiful and unique gifts as well as edible treats and seasonal flowers. Hot food and drink sellers will be at the Centre all evening and the bar will be open in The Beacon Hall. Raffle tickets will be on sale with a range of tempting prizes. Local businesses around the village will be open all evening and will offer a warm welcome to everyone, so do visit, say hello and support local!

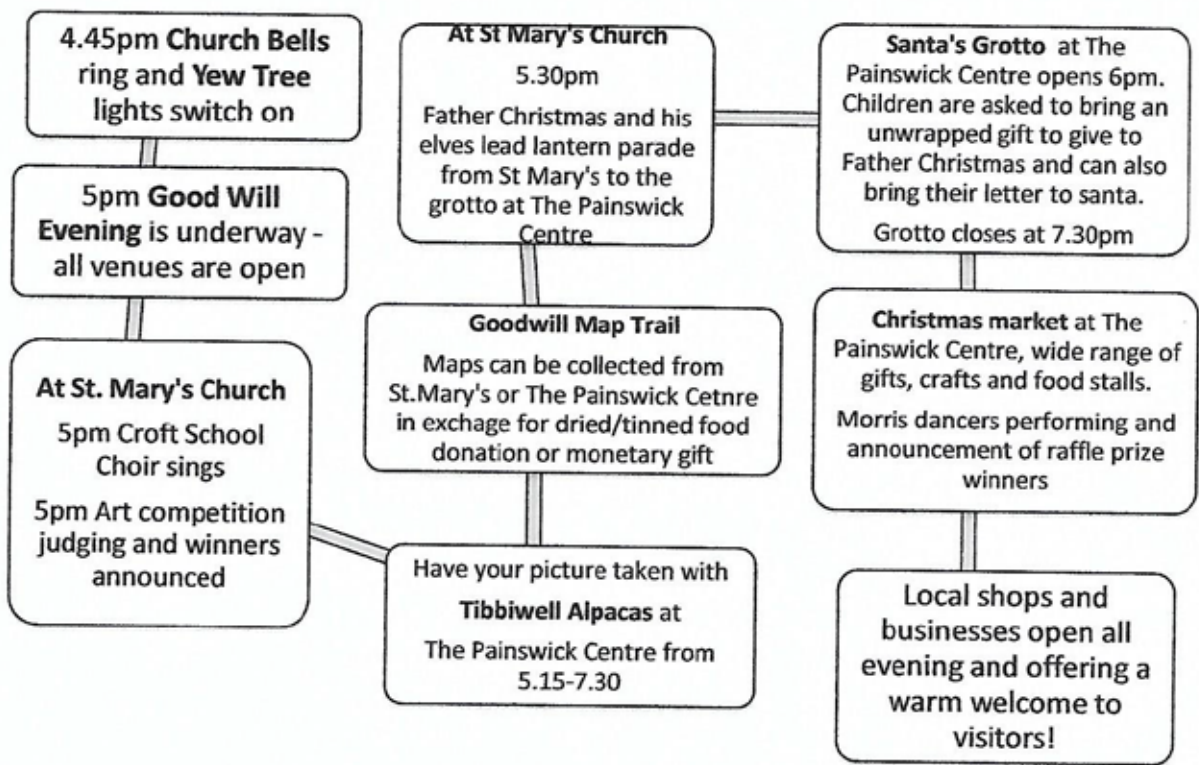
Please note that there will be a brief road closure from 5.30-6pm to allow the parade to travel safely from the Church to the Painswick Centre. This will affect Victoria Street, St. Mary's Street, Bisley Street and Friday Street. There will be stewards on hand.

The evening is a not-for-profit event and is hosted in the spirit of Goodwill and giving. Toys given to Santa will be donated to the Salvation Army and onwards as gifts to children who may not otherwise receive a Christmas present. Gifts of tinned and dry goods can be dropped off at collection points, which are at St. Mary's Church and the Painswick Centre. These will be donated to a local charity working to support those in need. All funds raised will be given to The Painswick Centre to support their ongoing work at the heart of our community. The organisers would like to thank those who have already extended their Goodwill to support the evening, namely our principal sponsor Murrays Estate Agents as well as The Elgar Family, Goddard's Garage, Price Davis and Meadows.

Goodwill is the focus of this special evening in Painswick and the importance of creating a compassionate community is ever present as we live through challenging times. On this Goodwill evening we hope that you will have time to reflect on what is most valuable and dear within our community and to notice how this celebration of Goodwill is an acknowledgement of its importance every day of the year.

Sandie Randle

Plan your Goodwill Evening





Large Blue Butterfly Reintroduction

I was recently invited to attend a day of local site visits to learn more about this fascinating project.

Some of you may remember the large blue (LB) became extinct in Britain in 1979, the last record being made on Dartmoor. It took some years for ecologists to fathom out why this happened. Basically the LB needs a specific species of ant (Myrmica Sabuleti) to adopt its larvae over winter during which time they eat the ants' grubs, pupate and emerge in the early summer as an adult butterfly. This complex cycle collapsed when grazing ceased; longer vegetation cover caused the surface soil temperature to drop to the point where the temperature sensitive ants moved away. Also the LB food plant, wild thyme, was smothered by the longer vegetation.

Reintroductions were eventually made using grubs collected from some of the last strongholds of LB populations in Sweden. Dartmoor was chosen as the site for these early reintroductions but it was unsuccessful; just because the last records were from there didn't make it the best site to use.

Subsequent efforts on the Polden Hills in Somerset proved successful once the grazing regime was worked out. More recently reintroductions have been made in the Cotswolds and Daneway Banks has become the best site in Europe. The sites used are not always widely publicised for a number of reasons. Huge public interest would create car parking and access problems, some sites are privately owned and there are real concerns that illegal dealers would collect samples to sell on the black market.

Large amounts of data is now being collected about all aspects of this project and it is starting to reveal more fascinating insights into the ecology of the LB. For example marjoram is being used as a food plant. This is good news because marjoram is more drought tolerant and spring droughts, which are very detrimental to LBs, are becoming more common. Also it is a taller plant and can grow in longer vegetation. In a warming world this may help Myrmica Sabuleti stay, rather than being displaced by an ant which prefers higher temperatures but doesn't adopt LB larvae.

The temperature data collected already show the LB fly a week or two later in the Cotswolds than the Poldens, partly because they are further north but also higher altitude.

Daneway Banks is a really good example of how quality calcareous grassland should look; A good mixture of sward heights and a light scrub cover, maintained by grazing, and a number of mature trees blending into more mature woodland. Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust seem to have got it just right as LB numbers recently have exceeded what the site can support and are now populating adjacent suitable sites.

It is amazing how much effort has gone into helping a single species and, at first sight, this may seem unbalanced. However, that which benefits the LB also benefits a host of other plants, insects, fungi, birds, mammals and reptiles. On the Beacon we are creating habitat on a par with Daneway Banks and hopefully the LB will get established there too.



Paul Baxter

Save the date for Painswick Summer Ball

After a long, ball-less summer we can now look forward to Painswick Summer Ball 2024! The date has been fixed as Saturday 15th June 2024 and once again it will take place at Broadham Fields, with many thanks to Painswick Rugby Club for hosting us. We will let you all know when tickets are to go on sale, and how to secure them, sometime in the spring.

So for now, please put the date in your diaries and await further announcements on this, our brand new theme and, most importantly, the charity we will be raising funds for in 2024. We're working hard to make this our best ball yet!

Painswick Ball Committee

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News from the Library

We shall be open for festive treats and normal Library business on the Goodwill Evening – Friday November 24th. We hope to see you there!

A selection of the latest new books is given below, with the full list on the Library's website: www.painswickcommunitylibrary.org.uk.



Ian Cridland

Adult Fiction:

Normal Rules Don't Apply	Kate Atkinson
The Only Suspect	Louise Candlish
Sharpe's Command	Bernard Cornwell
Learned by Heart	Emma Donahue
The House of Doors	Tan Twan Eng
The Seventh Son	Sebastian Faulks
The Armour of Light	Ken Follett
The Running Grave	Robert Galbraith

Adult Non-Fiction

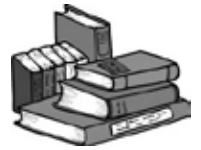
Justice for Christ's Sake	James Jones
The Future of Geography	Tim Marshall
Unruly	David Mitchell
Everything is Everything	Clive Myrie
Johnson at 10: the Inside Story	Anthony Seldon

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Whatever Next	Jill Murphy
There's A Bear On My Chair	Ross Collin

Library Club.

The next meeting of the Library book club is on Monday 13th November at 1.30-2.30 pm. The book for discussion is everything I never told you by Celeste Ng. We are always pleased to receive new members, so please do join us if you enjoy reading and meeting new people. For further information email painswick.library.bookclub@gmail.com



Painswick Gardening Club

Meeting on 8th November in the Painswick Town Hall

We welcomed many new members to our meeting in October. Unfortunately our speaker Vanessa Berridge, the County Organiser for the NGS, had to postpone her visit as she had covid. She will be coming to talk to us in March 2024. We were delighted that Ione Woodger, our very talented member of the Committee, could stand in at the last minute. She gave us a wonderful demonstration and created two autumn wreaths and many autumnal arrangements. Thank you Ione.

Our Christmas Wreath Making will be on Saturday 2nd December from 10.30 until 12.30 in the Town Hall. The cost is £20 for members and £25 for non-members and payment must be made at the time of booking, either at the November meeting or by contacting Mary Parsons on 07500 820205.

Before then, on Wednesday 8th November Caroline Sheldrick, our local medical herbalist, will be with us to talk about Flowers in Healing. I'm sure this will be another fascinating look into how much we have in our gardens that can help our medical problems. Doors open at 7 pm for refreshments and her talk will start at 7.30 pm.

Visitors are always very welcome at a charge of £5.

Philippa Miller

Full-house in the Art Studios

The art studios in the Painswick Centre are an amazing asset for Painswick. A range of art skills are quietly exercised on a daily basis inside this section of the Centre and the outcomes are certainly very special. After a short period when not all of the units were occupied it is good to report that now each and every one of the six has an occupant, each with a different art specialism.

Ange Mullen-Bryan has been working in the studios for several years. Trained at Stroud School of Art followed by gaining a degree at the prestigious Winchester School of Art, Ange specialises in contemporary landscape oil painting. Often inspired by her beloved Nordic scenery her subjects tend to be deep forests, vast lakes, sunsets and snowscapes. These are often painted on coloured linens sourced from the Painswick Fabrics shop

Isabella Hughes is a recent graduate of the University of Gloucester and uses a local historical and geographical context as the basis of her work. The intention is to create a series of images using printmaking methods on to paper and fabric. She welcomes interested parties to submit old images, photos and stories which could translate well into this style of printmaking.

Sarah Farwell loves the translucency of watercolours though sometimes works with pastels. Floral subjects are her natural choice for their beauty and colour but recently has also been working on a series of small interior studies where light is the subject. Sarah has had a successful solo exhibition and also has had work exhibited in the RWA in Bristol and the Victoria Art Gallery in Bath.

Nicholas Ozanne is a textile designer and weaver producing exquisite silk and lambswool scarves using a traditional wooden hand loom. A graduate of Winchester School of Art, he is a member of the Gloucestershire Guild of Craftsmen and his work has been regularly exhibited at major design centres in this country and also in several international centres across the world.

Kate Newson is a portrait painter using mainly oils. She enjoys the challenge of capturing the likeness and uniqueness in each face she paints and the results are definitely very successful. 'I like to bring colour and life into my work,' she says. She studied in Bath, a course specifically focussing on portraiture painting.

Sara Hewer is a jewellery maker. Inspired by nature and the sea side, she uses sea glass she has found on beaches in Cornwall and Wales, recycled silver and sometimes a touch of gold. Rings, pendants, bracelets, but no two pieces are ever the same. It all started with a silversmithing course in Bristol she was given as a birthday present.

The picture showing all six artists was taken at the very successful re-launch evening on Friday, 20th October.

Painswick is indeed fortunate to have such a wealth of artistic talent and skill right in its midst. There is quite a history of outstanding art work and practice in Painswick and covering a very broad range of art subjects. The art studios are without doubt continuing to nurture such talented creativity. They are open daily and everyone is welcome to visit.

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Painswick Rococo Garden

As the days get shorter, the team is preparing the Garden for winter with maintenance work under way and many thousands of spring-flowering bulbs planted. Our deciduous trees are shedding their leaves fast, and the skeleton structure of the garden is revealed in all its glory as they fall. Structural seed heads throw shapes around the garden, illuminated by a combination of morning dew and low winter sun.

In November we are open at weekends, 10am until 4pm with last admission at 3pm. It's a lovely time of year with so much colour, bracing walks, hot chocolates and scrumptious cake. Our very popular "owners go free" offer is back for this year between 6 and 26 November, with dogs bringing well-behaved owners over those three weekends earning them a free admission. For more info, see rococogarden.org.uk

As mentioned last month, our beautiful willow-sculptured Enchanted Garden by Night trail will be elegantly illuminated from 7th December. Make memories with friends and family as you meet dancing fairies, mischievous boggarts, magical unicorns and friendly dragons. Admission tickets are selling very well and available from rococogarden.org.uk - don't delay as some dates already have very limited availability.

Dare I mention Christmas? Top-quality British-grown Christmas trees will be on sale from 25th November, courtesy of our on-site experts at Exedra Nursery. With a range of sizes and shapes available and their knowledgeable team on hand to advise, you'll be sure to get the perfect tree for your Christmas celebrations. Exedra Nursery is open every day except Mondays, 10-4. At weekends 25th November – 10th December, our Shop will be temporarily extended and enlarged and open for browsing of our range of lovely local gifts. And to complete the experience, the Café will be serving delicious bacon rolls and freshly-ground coffees.

And don't forget - our annual carol concert takes place on Fri 1st Dec at 6.30pm in St Mary's Church - before the next edition of the Beacon comes out. It's the perfect start to the season!

Tim Toghill Volunteer



Painswick music appreciation group

On October 5th we celebrated the life and memory of Alex Nichols, our late Honorary President, whose love of Giuseppe Verdi was movingly represented by a DVD of the Requiem from the Hollywood Bowl. Dennis Morgan chose this fine 2013 performance under the baton of the celebrated Venezuelan Gustavo Dudamel and 4 soloists appropriately from the world of opera.

On November 19th we welcomed Elgar author Richard Westwood-Brookes of the Birthplace Museum (The Firs). He brilliantly summarised EDU's life from his humble beginnings, through advantageous marriage,

to the summit of his reputation as England's greatest composer since Purcell. His financial rewards however proved meagre, and he eventually declined into the world of variety tours which paid well for a time: finally emerged his last great works, particularly the Piano Quintet (which book ended this presentation), and the Cello Concerto. The less often heard music selected ranged from early pieces (as Ted Elgar) composed for his siblings and friends, through early orchestral compositions Chanson de Matin and Sevilliana to his choral masterpiece the Kingdom, his symphonic poem Falstaff and the sublime Sospiri for string orchestra. We also heard the Organ Grinders song from Dream Children and settings of Kipling's The Fringes of the Fleet which he took on a lucrative tour alongside music hall acts until Rudyard pulled the plug.

On his death in 1934 he was buried next to his wife in Little Malvern having stipulated that there would be minimal fuss and no music!

Next meetings 2:30 PM in the Town Hall:-

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| November 30th | Schubert song cycles | Howard Allen |

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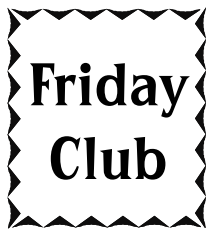
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On the 6th October we encouraged our Members to read any poems they had written, or, indeed any they were particularly fond of and wanted to share. We had an interesting mix of poems old and new, written by members or friends. A different, enjoyable afternoon.

The Matson Bell ringers, booked for the 20th October were unable to come, so our news reporter, Mike (Kerton) quickly put together a Quiz which was greatly enjoyed and stimulated a lot of discussion and laughter. On November 3rd we have our Member's outing to Dobbie's Garden Centre, Tewkesbury and our AGM is on the 17th November, starting at 2 pm. Matson Bell Ringers are joining us then too so we'll be keeping the business side of the Club to a minimum and getting on with enjoying ourselves with music and sharing our

interests over tea and biscuits. So, the AGM starts at 2 pm and the bell ringers at 2.30 pm.

Christmas Lunch Bookings

We are also taking final bookings for our members Christmas Lunch at Egypt Mill on 1st December and thinking about next year, we're all looking forward to watching that well known local comedian Tweedie "perform" in the Pantomime "Mother Goose" at the Everyman Theatre. What a great start to the New Year!

Joyce Barrus

Foodbank

We had bumper Harvest donations from our local churches, The Croft School and St Mary's Mum's group - as well as our loyal and generous individual donors. Thank you to all who braved the wind and the rain to bring their produce to Stamages Lane car park. The car was VERY full!

Christmas Appeal

Please note that on Wednesday 8th November we will have our BIG CHRISTMAS COLLECTION! We would be very grateful for boxes of chocolate, boxes of savoury crackers, large packets of crisps, nuts, cranberry sauce, pickles, tinned ham, Christmas cake, Christmas pudding, Christmas biscuits and large tubs of sweets. Don't forget... You can help to transform more Lives with a financial donation

Volunteers will be in the Stamages Lane car park from 10am - 12 noon. If you are able, please give so that we can support those in our community who would otherwise struggle this Christmas.

There will NOT be a collection in December but we will back in the New Year.

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Vacancy for a Community Governor



The Croft Primary School in Painswick has a vacancy for a governor co-opted from the local community. We are a thriving primary school, recently rated 'Good' by Ofsted. The role of a governor is to ensure that the school is well run, meets its legal obligations, and sets the highest standards for the education it provides for its pupils.

Governors attend 6 main Board meetings plus other committee meetings every year. We also try to get to know the school well by spending time in the school and attending events.

Our governors bring a range of skills and experience to the role. It is not necessary to have a professional background in education. Any experience of a governance role in other fields would be valuable but not essential. Above all, we need people with the energy and drive to help us make the school the best it can be. We would particularly welcome people with a track record of community outreach or fundraising, and any links to businesses or organisations in the local area would certainly be of interest. One of our goals is to extend the reach of the school more widely into the community, so there is a real opportunity for a new governor to bring expertise in that area.

If you think this is an opportunity which could be of interest or you would just like to find out more, please contact Cat Martin, Clerk to the Governors at clerk@croft.gloucs.sch.uk to arrange a discussion to explore the role.

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Christmas Lunch

With the temperature dropping and the nights drawing in we are starting to plan some warming social events for the winter months. On Wednesday December 20th we will have our annual Christmas Lunch, held this year at the beautiful riverside Inn, Egypt Mill in Nailsworth. This will include a three-course meal with tea/coffee, priced at £40/head. Please contact Denise Magauran on 814570.

Future Meetings

Then on Friday 2nd February we will be offering an 'Evening with Swans' at Slimbridge Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust. This event includes watching from the warmth of the Peng Observatory as the beautiful array of migrating swans are fed on the floodlit lake below, with commentary by one of Slimbridge's knowledgeable rangers – Picture courtesy of WWT Slimbridge. This will be followed by a three-course meal and is priced at £35. We expect a great deal of interest in this event, so please book early by contacting Jane Rowe 813228. Both these events are open to guests as well as members and lift sharing can be arranged.



There will be a Special General Meeting of the Field Club at 2.30pm on Wednesday 6th December in the Painswick Centre to discuss proposed changes to the fee structure for membership. Members are encouraged to attend. This will be followed by a lecture entitled 'The Radical history of Stroud and the Five Valleys in the 18th and 19th centuries' by well-known local historian Stuart Butler.

For information about membership of the Field Club please contact Clare Woodman, CNFCMembershipSec@outlook.com.

Sylvia May, Email: cnfsecretary1@gmail.com

A read not to be missed



Reed's Mill, (now Painswick Mill), was for many Painswick residents for many years a truly significant building. It provided work first in the wool industry, then in pin making and during WW1 essential metal items for the war effort. The Reed family therefore has played an important part in the life of Painswick.

Edward Reed

was the last of the Reeds involved, but that is not the end of the story. Edward's granddaughter, Merylyn, is an author and she has just published a truly engaging book, her second, which will be of great interest to Painswick residents.

Crossing the Rift is her grandmother's extraordinary story. Set in South Africa during World War 2, it recounts the undoubtedly perilous but at the same time fascinating journey which Elf, aged 64, undertook to rejoin her unsuspecting husband. She had been helping the war effort in South Africa but felt impelled to pack her bag and travel, alone, up through the entire continent of Africa from Cape Town to Palestine to reunite with him. A journey of 6,418 miles, this was some undertaking, both incredibly challenging but also stunningly beautiful and full of interest.

The book is based on Elf's handwritten journal in which she relates the details of her extraordinary route. Merylyn describes this experience whilst also exploring the story of Elf's former Edwardian life in Stroud and Painswick. Much of her young orphaned life was spent at Vale House, Ebley, and then at Reed's Mill, Painswick after marrying Edward. In the story she spends much time whilst on her intrepid journey reflecting on her past Painswick and Stroud life, both tragic and challenging, and indeed on life generally in the Cotswolds at this interesting bygone period.

This is the story of a truly courageous and determined woman, not so young, and combining her many observations and experiences on the daunting trek through Africa with her recollections of a colourful past in Gloucestershire. For us in Painswick it holds real local interest. It is available in local bookshops – Crossing the Rift by Merylyn Brason.

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Gemma Ledamun



Twinnings, Birds, Cadbury, Ovaltine and Hovis – these were some of the Great British Brands that Philip Wilkinson chose to speak on at the September meeting of Yew Trees WI. All still familiar household names most of these companies were formed in the late eighteen hundreds, several in this area and several by members of The Society of Friends or Quakers. Quakers like all nonconformists were banned from attending English universities so business was a natural outlet for their talents. They used their high moral standards to improve the general living condition of their employees, building houses, schools and infirmaries for their benefit.

Philip explained that many of these names are still familiar because of their unique brand identification and their clever use of slogans. As the saying used to go “Early to bed, early to rise, stick to your work and advertise”. His audience nodded with pleasure as they visualised little loaves of Hovis with their name strategically baked on their side, but how many knew that in 1890 a national competition was held to replace the clumsy “Smith’s Patent Process Germ Flour” name. A prize of £25 was awarded to the winner for suggesting the name “Hovis” from the Latin “Hominis Vis” meaning “Strength of Man”. One feels it was £25 well spent!

Ladies do join us for our next meeting on Tuesday 28th November at 7.30 pm in the Church Rooms which will include our Annual Meeting and a presentation by Woodchester Wines.

Celia Lougher 812624

Directory 2024 – Final Call

The Painswick Directory is delivered with the January Beacon. It is a free service. It is important that the details of all entries are correct and for this we rely on information provided to us. If you know of any changes that need to be made, any new additions or any entries which need to be withdrawn please let us know immediately. Please send details to Carol Maxwell email carolmaxwell@talktalk.net or the Beacon’s email beacon@painswick.net or put in the Beacon box in New Street.

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Touring with the Royals



At the October meeting of the History Society Alan Pilbeam took members on a veritable royal tour of the most exquisite Tudor houses and hunting grounds in the county. The subject of his presentation was the royal progress through Gloucestershire in 1535, in other words Henry VIII and Anne Boleyn accompanied by Thomas Cromwell.

Alan began by giving an excellent background picture of the situation explaining that such royal progresses, though common, were usually only about two weeks long but this one lasted from mid-July to the end of October. Accompanying the threesome was an entourage of about 500 people. Henry at this time was beginning to worry – no male heir, financial worries because of war with France and his luxurious lifestyle. Anne was sophisticated and intelligent but unpopular. Cromwell, a hard worker, was constantly seeking sources of taxation from church to Crown ie the monasteries.

With this background information Alan then showed pictures of the various houses and castles where the party stayed and we were certainly stunned. Staying with the abbots in Tewkesbury and then Gloucester, both of which at that time were outstandingly grand, Henry and Anne were able to indulge in their love of hunting because of the private deer parks. Nearer to Painswick they also enjoyed hunting at Prinknash, Miserden and Painswick Lodge courtesy of Sir William Kingston, Painswick's lord of the manor. On to Berkeley Castle, Thornbury Castle, Acton Court and Little Sodbury Manor, all stunningly beautiful architecturally.

Shortly after this procession Henry suffered an accident when a horse fell on him and, as Alan explained, 'he was never quite the same again', Anne had a miscarriage and was later executed and then the monasteries began to close. Monastic treasures and land went to the Crown, were sold on and thus began the emergence of huge private estates.

Members' verdict: this was an excellent presentation both pictorially and verbally. At the next meeting Barry Simon will give a presentation on the history of aviation in Gloucestershire. Croft School, 21st November, 7.30pm. Everyone welcome.

Carol Maxwell

True glass craftsmanship with Simon

Whatever work we find ourselves engaged in, surely one of the most gratifying aspects of it must be experiencing a sense of pride in the outcome. This is certainly how Simon Thomson views his chosen occupation - and he is definitely deserving of such pride.

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Starting in Oxford, Simon was a glazier by trade for 21 years working for various companies and then running his own business with 8 members of staff. However, he then decided to change direction with an emphasis on the bespoke side of the business and thus to work solo. For him the real satisfaction is the total involvement in the whole process from understanding his customer's wishes to the designing of the piece, the making of it and the installation. It is creative and skilful and provides the customer with exactly what they want and need. He has a small workshop in Miserden but most of his work is done in Painswick where he has lived for the past four years. He and fiancé Emma will be married next May and Painswick is certainly where he sees his future. Most of his commissions are fairly local but his excellent reputation does mean that he sometimes needs to travel further afield.

Simon clearly loves what he does, and rightly has a sense of pride in this very creative and highly skilled craftsmanship. With his invaluable and lengthy experience in the industry he is able to produce real quality bespoke glass items for homes or businesses. There is a website www.uniqueglassolutions.co.uk and he can be contacted by tel.07717 741275 or email Simon@uniqueglassolutions.co.uk. We are indeed fortunate in Painswick to have such a special craft business based in our midst.

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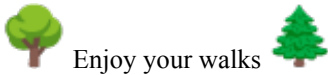
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These are only temporary permissive paths; « pop-ups », if you will!

Please let us know your thoughts on their potential benefit in the long term shaping of the footpath network (email: aliciarobert7dd@gmail.com)

Alicia Robert



Enjoy your walks

Property Report

Once again a clutch of million pound plus properties are on the market in Painswick, including two of the most imposing houses on New Street. The magnificent Beacon House, one of the very few Grade 1 listed buildings in Painswick, which was briefly on the market last year before being withdrawn, is now available again (Knight Frank, £2.5 million). Two doors up New Street, Beaconsfield House has six bedrooms and a surprising amount of garden and parking for a town house (Hamptons, £1.45 million).

More of a country house, Mynd House in the Highlands (Murrays, £1.375 million) has 5 bedrooms, double garage, landscaped gardens and views. Just round the corner, Cotswold View at the Highlands is another substantial six-bedroomed family house (Hamptons, £1.275 million) and Hamptons also have Aries in Hambutts Drive off Edge Road, four bedrooms, extensively modernised and with permission to create a self-contained annexe (£1.2 million).

At what we now have to start thinking about as a more modest price level, Tall Trees in Cotswold Mead is a modern three bedroomed detached family home in a private road (Hamptons, £775,000) and Rose Cottage in Pitchcombe is a three bedroom renovated stone cottage (Murrays, £750,000). Vermont in Cranham, a modern four bedroom semi-detached house has already gone under offer (Murrays, £595,000).

More affordable properties include 1 Prospect Terrace on Tibbiwell, an end of terrace stone cottage, with large garden and parking, but in need of some modernisation (Murrays, £225,000) and 1 Hillview Cottages in Gloucester Street, with some of the same characteristics and unexpectedly re-available (Hamptons, £290,000).

Long Close in Greenhouse Lane has gone under offer through Murrays, as has Flat 2 at Yew Tree House on New Street. Contracts have been exchanged on Gerrans in Orchard Mead and April Cottage in Vicarage Street and 6 Hyett Orchard has completed.

Murrays are the main sponsor of the Goodwill Evening on 24th November and will be delighted to offer you a glass of Woodchester Valley wine and a mince pie at their office that evening. Hamptons having sponsored the inter-street Bowls competition, presented the trophy to the 2023 winners at the Painswick Bowls Club Banquet and Awards evening.

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Painswick Bowls Club

Coronation Bowls Competition



Throughout the summer the Hamptons Coronation Inter Street Bowls competition has been quietly progressing with all competitors divided into two Groups to battle out a place in the semi finals.

Kingsmill Lane under the Team Management of Pippa Dickinson were the star street fielding two teams who won against Hamptons and Lower Washwell led by Paul Tempest but met their match when playing the newly formed Badminton Rollers Team led by Mahboob Hussain. This year the competition was opened up to any Painswick Clubs as well as street teams.

A tie was the result of Tibbiwell Team match led by Simon Gowers against Kingsmill lane

Edge Lane Team with Libby Graesser and Amanda Porter proved a very strong team winning against all comers to progress well but fate was against them in this round and Knapp Lane and Badminton Rollers progressed to the finals.

A thrilling final with almost identical scores as shown in the attached photo resulted in Knapp Lane under team Management of Pippa Medcalf edging to overall Victory which was celebrated at the Bowls Banquet held in the newly decorated Painswick Beacon Hall on October 27th when Presentation of Coronation Cups to the winning team was made by Guy Tabony, Captain of Hamptons team who not only won the Professional Division of the Cup but kindly sponsored the competition.



Kemps Lane – Pippa Medcalf, Rachel Bolt, Thomas Bolt, Harvey Sagar, Debs Foreman

Michael Houghton

Painswick Golf Club



The summer season of golf competitions has come to a close. In the Seniors section, the last two trophy competitions were decided. Mike Sanderson won the 'Organ Niblick' – a stableford competition in which one is limited to three clubs and a putter, and Robin Hare won the 'Iron man' trophy - a match play knockout competition. Congratulations to the winners.

The winter season has started – with two competitions. Both involve taking the best 5 scores out of six, with one round each calendar month starting in October. This year there is a better ball pairs competition and a singles competition.

Trophies for the year's competitions will be awarded at the Seniors AGM which takes place on 9th November. It will be preceded by a Poppy Day competition with the proceeds donated to the British Legion.

Painswick Golf Club welcomes visitors and new members. Please call 01452 812615 or visit the website www.painswickgolf.com to book a tee time.

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Jottings

Whilst digging my garden the other day I was quite surprised to see so many small insects, worms and other creepy-crawlies.

For instance, comparing centipedes and millipedes. “Mille”, a thousand, rather than “centi”, millipedes have a lot more legs, four legs per segment rather than two. Though perhaps not as many as a thousand! Millipedes are all hard bodied and are divided into flat ones and snake or pill millipedes. The snake one is long, cylindrical and lives in the soil. It looks like a woodlice and rolls up into a ball when disturbed. The flat ones have flat shields along their backs and like living under logs and stones.

Females can lay from ten to three hundred eggs in their lifetime. Some protect them in the soil with excrement and some make spherical nests. The Snake version is the one you mostly see when you dig the garden, as they stay below the ground. If they get too dry they die. After birth they take about seven moults to reach maturity, taking about six to twelve weeks. They can range from half an inch to two inches long according to their age and they may live from two to five years. The number of segments increases at each moult. They live on decaying plant matter.

There are far larger millipedes in other parts of the world and in some places they are kept as pets.

Centipedes have just two legs per segment and live where it is damp and warm like in gardens and woods. They can live for more than a year, living on small invertebrates and the females lay between fifteen and fifty eggs in their lives.

There seem to have been a lot more woodlice this year, perhaps because it has been wetter and warmer. They have seven body segments each with a pair of legs. They live on fungi, fallen fruit, dead animals and love compost bins. Female woodlice have a pouch like a kangaroo into which they lay between fifteen and fifty eggs. The young hatch inside her, emerging as they become mobile and mature. Woodlice live for three to five years

Martin Slinger

Cards for all occasions - including Christmas

Chrissie Martin will be back at the HUB on Friday 17th November with her beautiful Flamingo Paperie cards and stationery. Prices for general cards remain the same –at £2.40 per card or £1.90 each for 10 or more. Christmas cards and Advent calendars are individually priced. Why not make the most of this opportunity as sadly this will be Chris’s last visit - and you can enjoy coffee and cake at the same time.

Pat Francis

Painswickian of the Year

Reminder

Readers are invited to put forward names of Parishioners who have given exceptional services to the local community over the years. Nominees should be over 21 and a couple maybe nominated if appropriate. Nominations to beacon@painswick.net by Sunday 19th November at the latest.

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Painswick Art Club

Tutored Art Session Open to All on Tuesday, 28th November. Church Rooms Painswick. Visitors welcome.

Painswick Art Club have invited a Visiting Tutor, Mark Kelland, to give a session based on water-colour: As he has suggested, "a frosty wood, done with cling film". We could be thinking Christmas Cards.

Mark brings all the materials needed for this session so we can have coffee and set up from 9:30 am for his session 10 – 12 pm. Clearing up until 1:00 pm., £10 for Visitors. Booking is essential for this Tutored Session: Please phone Chairman, Jane Marsh 01453 752655, or Secretary, Joyce Barrus, on 01452 812942 or 07743377260.

Membership to join Painswick Art Club next term will be £35. We have fifteen sessions a term, (all three terms) in the Church Room which has good light, space and accessible parking. We meet up en pleine air in August at various venues. We are able to hang work on the walls, including work for sale.

Joyce Barrus

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PLANNING MATTERS

Information received from the Parish Council

NEW APPLICATIONS

- S.23/1866/HHOLD Bunch Of Grapes, Cheltenham Road
Alterations to first floor extension.
- S.23/1822/FUL Land At Yokehouse Lane
Change of use of land from agricultural to equine facilitated learning and therapeutic horsemanship; together with associated operational development including a yurt, store room, WC and field shelter.
- S.23/1662/CPE The Chalet, Bulls Cross, Sheepscombe
Certificate of Lawfulness to demonstrate that The Chalet has been used as a single dwellinghouse for a period in excess of 4 years. Resubmission of S.22/1464/CPE
- S.23/1828/LBC Jenkins Barn, Jenkins Lane, Edge
Erection of a lean-to greenhouse.
- S.23/1827/HHOLD Jenkins Barn, Jenkins Lane, Edge
Erection of a lean-to greenhouse.
- S.23/2054/TPO Colmar, Slad Road, Slad
TPO 543 - Beech Tree - Prune by 4 metres.
- S.23/2034/FUL Edgehill Farm Bungalow, The Green, Edge Lane, Edge
Change of use of field from agricultural to commercial/leisure (dog walking - Sui Generis).
- S.23/2040/HHOLD Fieldways, Longridge, Sheepscombe
Erection of a single storey front extension, replacement fenestration.
- S.23/2074/AFPA Knapp Barns, The Vatch, Catswood Lane
Installation of a new access and hardstanding.

CONSENT

- S.23/0813/HHOLD Tilia, Castle Close
Erection of single storey garage and workshop extension, front porch, first floor dormer to front and first floor gable extension to rear with associated external material changes.
- S.23/1470/LBC Recreation Cottage, Slad Road, Slad
Repair/refurbish set of 4 windows at ground floor.
- S.23/1439/HHOLD Endways, Sheepscombe
Demolition of existing garage. Erection of a single storey and two storey extension and installation of cladding.
- S.23/1553/HHOLD Trillgate Farm, Slad Road, Slad
Installation of a balcony.
- S.23/1607/HHOLD Washbrook Mill, Edge Road
Replacement garage. Resubmission of S.22/2235/HHOLD
- S.23/1653/HHOLD Brooklands Cottage, Sheepscombe
Erection of dormer window and wood burner flue. (Retrospective).
- S.23/1709/FUL Lullingworth, Stroud Road
Installation of a 42 panel ground mount solar pv system. Resubmission of S.23/1295/FUL.
- S.23/1799/TCA Yew Tree House, Vicarage Street
Tulip tree - pollard to 4.0m.
- S.23/1786/TPO Greenleas, Stroud Road
G.1 3 Scots pines - fell. G2. Birch - fell. Cherry - fell. Ash - fell.
- S.23/1833/TCA Bay Tree House, Far End, Sheepscombe
(1) Alder - Pollard to near previous leaving lower trimmed branches.

WITHDRAWN

- S.23/1681/HHOLD Stroud Slad Farmhouse, Slad Lane
Erection of a first floor rear extension.

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Village Diary

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November

Sat	4	Painswick Beacon published		
	4		Various	9.00 - 12.00pm
		Beacon working party : enquiries Paul Baxter on 07971 633242		
Sun	5	Benefice Holy Communion	St Mary's Church	11.00am
	5	Great Scarecrow Hunt - runs from Oct 28th - Nov 5th	Rococo Garden	10.00 - 4.00pm
Mon	6	Community Lunch - provided by the Friday Club	Town Hall	12.00 - 1.15pm
Tues	7	Community Support Fish and Chip Supper provided by Simpsons pay-as-you-feel. All welcome. To book call Painswick Community Support 07956 203087	Painswick Centre	5.00pm onwards
Wed	8	Gardening Club: Flowers in Healing - Caroline Sheldrick	Town Hall	7.00 for 7.30pm
Thurs	9	The Arts Society: AGM + The Ships, Men, and Women of Nelson's Navy - Dr Helen Doe	Painswick Centre	10.30am
Fri	10	Wickflix: The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry	Painswick Centre	Open from 7.00pm
Sat	11	Act of Remembrance	St Mary's Church	10.50am
Sun	12	Holy Communion (shortened)	St Marys Church	9.30am
	12	Remembrance Service	St Mary's Church	10.50am
Mon	13	Library Book Club	Library	1.30 - 2.30pm
	13	Community Lunch - provided by Painswick Community Support	Town Hall	12.00 - 1.15pm
	13	Cotteswold Naturalists: Backstreet Bronze Casting - don't try this at home! John Huggins Enq 07767 014957	Box Village Hall	2.30pm
Thurs	16	Painswick Probus: AGM followed by Paul Sparks Life and Times part 2	Richmond Auditorium	10.00 for 10.30am start
	16	Stroud and District Philatelic Society: 10,000 years of copper - Prof A Millington. Enq 01452 813440	Church Rooms	7.30pm
	16	Painswick Music Appreciation Group: Desert Island Discs - Reg Wrathmell	Town Hall	2.30pm
Fri	17	Friday Club: AGM and quiz	Town Hall	2.30pm
	17	Auction of Promises in aid of St Mary's Roof Appeal	St Mary's Church	6.00pm for 7.00pm
Sat	18	Beacon working party : enquiries Paul Baxter on 07971 633242	Various	9.00 - 12.00pm
Sun	19	Deadline for Beacon copy		
	19	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church	10.00am
Mon	20	Community Lunch - provided by Painswick Parish Council	Town Hall	12.00 - 1.15pm
Tues	21	Cotteswold Naturalists: Backstreet Bronze Casting - don't try this at home! John Huggins Enq 07767 014957	Box Village Hall	2.30pm
Fri	24	Good Will evening	Painswick Centre	From 5.00pm
Sat	25	Christmas card and tag making workshop info@rococogarden.org. £25.00/each	Rococo Garden	10.30 - 2.00pm
Sun	26	Beacon Praise	St Mary's Church	10.00am
Mon	27	Community Lunch - provided by Christian Aid	Town Hall	12.00 - 1.15pm
Tues	28	Yew Trees WI: AM and Woodchester Wines	Church Rooms	7.30pm
	30	Painswick Music Appreciation Group: Schubert Song Cycles - Howard Allen	Town Hall	2.30pm
Thurs	30	Painswick Probus: The Knights Templar - Gil McHattie	Richmond	10.00 for 10.30am
December				
Fri	1	Friday Club - Christmas lunch and coach trip to Egypt Mill		
Sat	2	Painswick Beacon published		

Regular Village Activities. Please contact Vicky Aspinall on cvasp.26@gmail.com

Mondays	Gentle pilates. Info from Heidi 07970 262538	Painswick Centre	8.45 - 9.45am	
	Improvers pilates. Info from Heidi 07970 262538	Painswick Centre	9.50 - 10.50am	
	Beginners/improvers pilates. Info from Heidi 07970 262538	Painswick Centre	10.55 - 11.55am	
	Ballyhoo modern dance classes (primary grade modern). Info from Julie ballyhoochalford@gmail.com	Painswick Centre	from 3.45pm	
	Community Choir. Contact sophie@sophiesterckx.co.uk	Painswick Centre	7.00 - 8.30pm	
	Short Mat Bowls. All equipment provided. 2.00/session	Town Hall	2.00 - 4.00pm	
	Mindful Meditation with Kate. www.kate-beatty.co.uk/07793126234	Painswick Centre	12.30 - 1.00pm	
	Painswick Singers . Contact Jean Jones 01452 813545.	Richmond	7.30pm	
	Painswick Bootcamp. Details contact Becca Meadows 01452 451505 or info@beccameadowsnutrition.co.uk	Broadham Field Rugby Pitch	7.30 - 8.30pm	
	Tuesdays	Drawing classes. Info from Susan Skester skester@outlook.com	Painswick Centre	9.30 - 12.00pm
Zumba with Martina 07891 194396		Painswick Centre	9.45 - 10.45am	
Painswick Art Club		Church Rooms	9.30 - 1.00pm	
Rococo Sprites. See www.rococogarden.org.uk		Rococo Garden	9.45 am	
Wednesdays	Strength and Balance class for the over 60s. Contact Trish Tenn on 07956 4666617 or tennpatricia@gmail.com	Painswick Centre	10.00 - 11.00am	
	Painswick Bridge Club. Contact Peter Sibley on 812126 or Margaret Wilson on 812305	Church Rooms	7.00pm	
	Table tennis. Contact David Harris on 07453 027766.	Painswick Centre	7.30 - 9.00pm	
	Yoga with Kate. www-kate-beatty.co.uk/07793126234	Painswick Centre	7.30 - 8.45pm	
	Classical Pilates Mat Classes with free taster. Contact Jo on 07968 799741 or josephinedaley@me.com	The Pavillion	10.30 - 11.30am	
	Strength and Conditioning Circuits. www.lovelifeladies.co.uk	Painswick Centre	12.30 - 1.30pm	
	St Mary's Mums - for mums, bumps, babies and toddlers. Contact 07833 727701	Church Rooms	9.15 - 10.45 am	
	After school art classes. Email classes@painswickcentre.com . Term time only	Painswick Centre	3.45 - 5.15pm	
	Thursdays	Morning Market	Painswick Centre	8.30 - 9.30am
		Nurturing yoga. Contact Kim on yoginikim@icloud.com	Painswick Centre	9.30 - 11.00am
Vinyasa Yoga. Contact Kim on yoginikim@cloud.com		Painswick Centre	11.15 - 12.45am	
Tai chi. Contact Joe on 07960 753782		Painswick Centre	1.30 - 2.30pm	
Dog Training Club. Contact Fiona Chapman on 01452 812462 or fiona.chapman123@btinternet.com		Church Rooms	10.00 - 12.00pm	
Qi Gong Classic Exercise - contact Jeff Docherty on jeffdocherty@yahoo.com		Town Hall	9.30 - 10.30am	
Classical Pilates Mat Classes. Contact Jo on 07968 799741 or josephinedaley@me.com		Town Hall	5.45 - 6.45pm	
Takeaway Food Night		Painswick Centre	5.00 - 8.00pm	
Fridays	Yoga for Backs. Contact Kim on yoginikim@icloud.com	Painswick Centre and simultaneous zoom	9.30 - 11.00am	
	Ballet with Claire Tracey. Contact BalletClaire@outlook.com	Church Rooms	9.30 - 10.30 am	
	Painswick Community Hub Café: serving tea, coffee and homemade cakes. All welcome	Town Hall	10.00 - 11.30am	
	Church Choir Practice. Contact Chris Swain cgswhain:btinternet.com or 01453 822998	St Mary's Church	5.30 - 6.30pm	
	Classical Pilates Mat Classes. Contact Jo on 07968 799741 or josephinedaley@me.com .	Church Rooms	11.00 - 12.00pm	
	Tea, cake & watercolours art course starts April 14th for 6 weeks	Painswick Centre	2.00pm	
	Sundays	Painswick Baby and Toddler Group - Term time only	Youth Pavillion	9.30 - 11.30am
		Mass	Catholic Church	8.30am
		Quaker Meeting for Worship	Meeting House	10.30am
		Aikido www.gloucestershireaikido.club .	Painswick Centre	8.30 - 11.00am



Personal Column

Condolences

To the family of RON WALLACE who died peacefully at home on 2nd October 2023, aged 94. Much loved husband of Margaret, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. A small family service was held at Westerleigh. Margaret would like to thank everyone for their warm words of sympathy and support.

To the friends of the Muller family who lived at Loveday's Mill for over 20 years. Sadly MARY MULLER died in September at the wonderful age of 96 in Bath where they moved in 2004. She will be missed by her family Paul, Catherine, Sophie and Lotte. Fondly remembered.

Congratulations

Nigel and Christiane Paton and Andrew and Sally Morgan are delighted to announce the engagement of FRIEDERIKE and JAMIE.

You could help Vicky Aspinall, if you would send information about those you know for whom a mention in the Personal Column would be appreciated
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Mystery driver parks car in Paradise



One of the scarecrows exhibited at the Rococo Gardens last month or is this an identikit picture for the Paradise mystery driver.



A46 Traffic lights to be removed

In response to the Beacon's request for an update this month, Gloucestershire County Council has advised that 'the works are to be complete within the next 2 weeks'. As that was on the 23rd October, it may even have happened by the time you are reading this.

The first stage of the work was carried out at the end of September when an anti-skid surface treatment was applied, with road markings to slow down traffic as it approaches the area from either direction. At the time of writing the update is that they are 'waiting on material/signage etc. As soon as it arrives the works will be completed and the temporary lights removed'.

The temporary lights were installed around the end of January last year, so have been in place for 21 months. To update our figures from earlier in the year, we estimate that the cumulative delays for motorists over that period have amounted to around 40,000 hours (or over 1500 days) and the cost of wasted fuel in engine idling alone could be around £150,000.



Spotted off Gloucester Street. Courtesy of Clare Chad-Daniels