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C&W Crowcombe Village Magazine

APRIL 2014—MAY 2014

Spring is surely and veritably arriving with its many changes of weather from the warm sunshine days, colder evenings and then cold and windy days, but the gardeners can look forward to many days of enjoyment although cutting the lawn may not be an enjoyment just a chore. But hurrah we can sit out and enjoy the longer evenings as the year progresses. By the next issue summer will be in sight—let us hope it is a good as last year. The blossom is coming out on the trees, and bare branches are beginning to green up again in leaf, the bird song brings ever more cheer to the early mornings and they are so busy nesting, to me a lovely time of the year full of hopefulness for a new season of life.

Easter being late this year means that Easter egg hunts can hopefully take place outside and the holiday time will enable the children to enjoy the days not being at school.

We have a smaller issue this month but I am hopeful we can be back to full issue next time.



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APRIL AND MAY 2014 SERVICES

April 2014

Wed 2 nd	10.30am	Midweek Communion
Friday 4 th	9.30am	Schools' Easter Service
Sun 6 th	11.00am	Family Service
Sun 13 th	10.30am	Palm Sunday Benefice Communion
Sun 20 th	9.30am	Easter Communion
Sun 27 th	5.00pm	Evening Prayer followed by APCM

May 2014

Sun 4 th	11.00am	Communion (<i>tbc</i>)
Wed 7 th	10.30am	Midweek Communion
Sun 18 th	8.30am	BCP Communion
Sun 25 th	6.00pm	Evening Prayer


The Schools' Service is open to everyone – the more, the merrier!

The **Annual Parochial Church Meeting** is when reports are presented about the past year's activities. It is also the occasion when wardens and PCC members are elected. If you want to vote, your name should be on the church electoral roll (which you can see in the church porch.)

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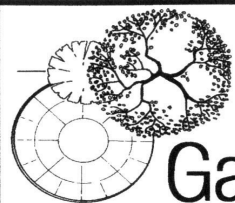
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WI NEWS

For our February meeting, we welcomed Nigel Phillips who had us absolutely enthralled with his knowledge of Somerset's wonderfully diverse coastline and the wildlife, flora and fauna to be found there. His talk was illustrated with some lovely images he projected for us, which really opened our eyes to what was on our doorstep. His aim was to make us aware of the coastline stretching from Exmoor National Park in the West, to Brean Down in the East – pin-pointing some of the amazing strata that can be found at such places as Kilve and East Quantoxhead, and the birds to be found at Burnham and Brean Down. He spoke most fluently about oyster catchers, waders and wildfowl, and the wild life we can expect to find in rock pools, sand dunes and shingle beaches. We, apparently, have a geological paradise right under our noses!

His book, **'Somerset's Coast - A Living Landscape'** by Nigel Phillips, is beautifully written and illustrated, and is a 'must' for anyone interested to learn more about our unique coastline, and where and what to look for. My husband can't get his nose out of it!

Our March meeting was very different. A delightful lady, Margaret Harper, came along to give us an 'organza workshop'. Some of us were slightly daunted at the idea of working with something as delicate as organza, but we need not have worried. Margaret proceeded to show us step by step how she made delightful flowers in glorious colours from squares of organza and a lighted candle, while we sat spellbound! She then set us to do the same! We need not have worried for Margaret soon put us at ease and was always on hand when we needed her. I for one was amazed when I went home proudly bearing my flower and pinned it on my jacket. Thank you Margaret for a marvellous evening.

Dates for your Dairies

April 9th 7.30p.m. Crowcombe Church house **'Anyone can Sing'** – with Yvette Stellens. If you would like to join us contact a member of the committee. Tickets for visitors £4.00. You will be very welcome.

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April 17th 12.30 a.m. Crowcombe Church House **'Soup Kitchen.'** No charge but donations gratefully received for a chosen Charity. All Welcome. **(Last month it was decided to send £100.00 to the Rotarians who are supporting the most needy on the Somerset Levels. Well done and thank you to those who came and donated.)**

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The Parish Council met on 20th March 2014.

County Councillor's Report: Christine Lawrence reported that SCC had put forward a 20 year flood relief plan costing £100m as reported on the news recently. SCC was providing £22.5m towards the plan. It was hoped the Government would look towards this proposal positively but everyone would have to wait and see what the long term plan would be. The Crown Estate would be selling off a number of Crown Houses in Dunster, Old Cleeve and Roadwater. This raised concerns regarding existing tenants either having to be re-housed or the ability to purchase these houses. The Minehead Hospital Injuries Unit would be closing during the night hours (11pm to 7am) as there were not enough sufficiently trained numbers of staff available.

District Councillor's Report: Anthony Trollope-Bellow had sent his apologies for not attending due to his ill health. Everyone wished him a speedy recovery back to full fitness.

Police Report: Statistics between 18 January and 18 March 2014.

39 calls to Police received over this period of time.

24 calls were flood or traffic / road related / minor Road Traffic Incidents / Trees down (Most of these were from the West Quantoxhead / Sampford Brett / Crowcombe / Bicknoller area)

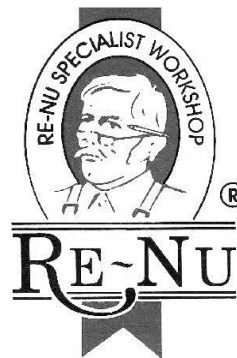
4 were lamping advisory calls (Farmers shooting at night)

There were 3 crimes recorded during this period – NONE were in the Crowcombe or Bicknoller parishes. None were serious crimes. None involved dwelling or non-dwelling burglary / break-ins

The Police continue to patrol Industrial Estates (day and night) in remote rural premises and areas to re assure the local communities and to maintain a high visibility presence.

Visits to local schools are carried out on a regular basis and patrols on the busy A358 every day and night. Local villages and towns are also regularly patrolled to combat Anti-social behaviour and opportunist crime.

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Finances: Funds to date: Current a/c £8,755.60, Deposit a/c £3,220.12, Amenities a/c £2,680.42.

Play Area Update – The new play area works were still to be completed, once the ground had dried out more. Contact between the PC and CPCL for concerns had been discussed. Hopefully the works would commence the beginning of April. The Friends needed to carry out some drainage work around the tunnel area first. A site meeting was planned for the following week.

SCC Highways – various highways issues regarding blocked gullies and road repairs were reported to Cllr Lawrence who would meet with the Highways Office for actions again. Some gullies had been cleared but not all.

Annual Parish Assembly - this had been arranged for Sunday, 18th May following the Thanksgiving Service similar to last year. Invitations to the local groups for their yearly report would be sent out in due course. It was hoped the village would support this meeting again.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Thursday, 15th May 2014 at Church House.

Painting & Sketching with Barry Watkin

I am starting a Painting & Sketching Group
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Over the past couple of days there have been several reports of fraud occurring, predominantly in the North Somerset area but it is possible that this will occur in other parts of Somerset.

Essentially retired persons appear to be targeted with a phone call. The caller purports to be from the police and indicates there has been a problem with the use of their bank card. The caller asks the victim to call them back and gives a number. The end result of this is that a number of people have so far been conned out of several thousand pounds - each.

Police are investigating this matter however your assistance is also requested:

(a) to encourage anyone subject of such a matter in the last few days to contact the police immediately - using the 101 number.

(b) to encourage residents receiving an unsolicited call from someone alleging to be from the police to take care. If they ask you to call them back on a number please do not do so. The number for the Avon and Somerset Constabulary switchboard is 101 and this is the number that should be used if anyone is subject of this type of telephone call. G0285

If you have information about any crime, phone the police on 101 or you can call anonymously to the independent charity CRIMESTOPPERS 0800 555 111. For general information about Neighbourhood Watch nationally see the www.ourwatch.org.uk

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH UPDATE

Just to remind you that Neighbourhood Watch splits the village roughly into three sections, as a general principle thirty or so houses per coordinators.

The coordinators and their deputies.

1. For the top of the village from the Crowcombe Hall encompassing Brendon View, Hagleys Green and including, Plum Tree House and Sunnyside. Maureen Glenister and her deputy, Jane Chipp take care of this group

2. The centre of the village from Sunnyside/Carew Cottage to the Carew Arms/Hollywell is coordinated by Tony & Jan Allen and their new deputies Caroline & Roddy Saunders.

3. From The Court/Pound Orchard through to Townend Farm/Ashfield Farm (and probably the new Falcon Development) is coordinated by Mariele Smith and her deputy Sandy Martin.

THE POLICE CONTACTS

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Sunday 25th May

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From the gradual dimming of the lights and the opening bars of the music “Hurrah to Hollywood” the Crowcombe Players latest evening of entertainment proved that yet again much enjoyment was to be had with well known music and song, amusing skits, dancing. Each section being introduced by an presenter reflecting the ‘Oscars’ ceremonies with many dress changes for the ladies into their elegant evening dresses and the men into tuxedos.

With ‘Saturday night at the Movies’ starting to open the show the selections were very varied

They started back into the silent days of film with Roy Harbour enjoying himself as Charlie Chaplin in one routine and Fagin a short while later as they moved into Oliver after The Sound of Music and trying to solve a problem like Maria. Roy’s routines proving yet again how he loves the show and his ‘hamming’ is always good for a laugh.. The village children in Oliver and all others enjoying the routines they were in, and it is great to see so many joining the players and hopefully they will continue to carry on into the future.

With the ladies looking very long legged in their James Bond theme number, new comer Gary Peter Burge as Indiana Jones with his able assistant in small interludes we also had Chitty Chitty Bang Bang featuring the kids and car; the show was progressing well.

With the clever interspersing of these many genres of movies we came to the last section before the interval—**and a new star was born**—what an rip rousing, amusing, entertaining and well portrayed ‘Master of the House’ song from Les Miserable turned out to be, Chris Lewis showed how to own the number, long may he be included in the annual yearly entertainment offering by The Players.

The interval made further reference to the movies with the free popcorn being a great hit.

The second half of the show started with a Hard Days Night and reference to The Beatles. The children having their own section showing the many guises of most of Supermen and Superwomen from the movies.

The Sound of Music then followed with the return this year of David Knell complete with Sally and his Zimmer frame upgrading and singing Sixteen going on Seventeen.

A reference interlude relating to Pride & Prejudice and Darcy took us to Abba and Mamma Mia being sung by the ladies. This then took us to the very humorous offering of Swan Lake, the imagining of four men in white tutus brought loud applause and much laughter.

Onward the music and movie references continued, ‘Brief encounter, Mary Poppins, and The God Father some with just ladies and others with just men it was very interesting and never boring, solos and amusing skits.

Nearing the close of show we came to Chicago and ‘All that Jazz’ and then to the closing number from ‘New York New York’ with ‘Start spreading the News’, all the adult cast members in evening dress, a very elegant and stylish ending to a very enjoyable show.

It was a joy to have the new sound system as it meant that those sitting at the back could hear all the numbers and speech.

It was a well presented, casted and as usual a well directed show by Kim Hughes.

A Night at the Movies was a very enjoyable and entertaining few hours The Crowcombe Players should be very proud of themselves to have achieved such a good show yet again.