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Note from the editors

As you can see from our front cover, the Misterton flower festival was held on the last bank holiday weekend in May, showcasing top talent from the village and beyond. It was lovely to see so many people out enjoying the festival, and recognition should go to all involved for the hard work that goes on behind the scenes to bring this wonderful village event to life. Not just for fun, the festival raised much-needed funds for our village hall, so a very worthy cause as well.

Jacquie Lyus and Sarah Watt

Deadline for entries for the July magazine is Friday 21st June.

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Having got through a very damp spring at least we are now seeing some intermittent warm, sunny days. No sooner has this happened then we have been invited to a heat awareness seminar which, no doubt, will provide us with information about drought and high temperatures. The irony is not lost on us.

This does, of course, remind us that climate change will increasingly be impacting our lives, and we all need to be aware of this. How Misterton plays its part in this is yet to be decided but hopefully the community will respond positively and MERT, as part of the parish council, will try to provide guidance and support.

In the meantime, we continue to look forward to the village activities that are coming up and hope to see you at them.

Phil Clifton

MERT member

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News from the Parish Council and Recreation Field Trust



The month of May is a particularly busy month for parish council activities. There were two meetings both of which are required by the Local Government Act, the first being the annual village meeting, the second the AGM. These were followed by the regular monthly council and recreation ground trust meetings.

At the end of April, over a one-week period, there were successive events at the Somerset Council owned foster care home in Unity Lane, the first causing damage to a car and the second setting the building on fire. These events were contrary to assurances previously provided by council officials and caused much concern to Unity Lane residents and other villagers alike. The annual village meeting provided a timely event to discuss these and other related issues. Somerset Council officials and the police were invited to hear and respond to the issues raised. The responses they provided were not satisfactory but as the matter is an active police investigation we shall have to await the formal police report. The parish council agreed that the chairman should write seeking copy of the post investigation reports by police, fire, and Somerset Council. A separate note will be sent to check the validity of the original planning consent for the foster care home.

The other matter of concern raised at the annual village meeting was that of parking in Middle and Silver Street by those workers employed on the associated modification to the school. At the time there were eight vans present and when the school opens in September there will be up to twelve staff needing parking spaces. The parish council raised the likely problem at the outset and have not yet received a satisfactory solution.

Parking is a perennial problem both to meet the needs of residents and to avoid dangers on our roads. Residents are best placed to keep matters under control. For example, it is not an offence to park on the pavement but if it forces pedestrians, mothers with pushchairs or invalid vehicles to go onto the road it is a dangerous obstruction and needs to be reported to the police asap. The means for doing so are clearly stated. Call 999 in an emergency. For non-emergencies call 101 or report a crime online on the Avon and Somerset Police website avonandsomerset.police.uk/report. We have a specific problem where Silver Street narrows and visitors chose to park often blocking the road. The council propose a short stretch of double yellow lines (towards the junction with Middle Street) and would welcome comments.

At our AGM we presented our audited annual accounts in accordance with law and with no surprises. Although a small council our details and financial controls are all as they should be. We agreed to maintain our working group management structure as it continues to offer a rapid means of processing parish business. Changes were agreed on leaders for each group

WELCOME INFORMATION LEAFLET for newcomers to the village - a useful leaflet telling you all you need to know about Misterton is available on our website at Misterton Parish Council; alternatively, if you would like a copy via email or a hard copy, please contact the parish clerk at mistertonpc@gmail.com. ***Village businesses who advertise in this leaflet should forward any amendments to the parish clerk.***



and MERT was endorsed as one of those groups. However, having a separate group for the recreation group was recognised as unnecessary as under charity law a separate meeting is required each month at which all councillors (as the trustees of the charity) are present.

The council now continues under the chairmanship of the new chairman Cllr Graham White after a handover from Cllr Paul Bradly signified by the passing of the council gavel.

Paul Bradly (outgoing chair)

Graham White (incoming chair)

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Each year special events are held to which our partners, as well as other guests, are invited – a ladies lunch in May, an autumn supper, a Christmas lunch and a summer outing.

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At last month's meeting we did not have a speaker as we usually do as it was our AGM, which was held after our usual business meeting. We can report some changes to the executive committee. After eight years as our president, Susan May has decided to step down and have a well-earned rest. We presented Sue with a signed card from all members, and an olive tree in a beautiful pot. Thank-you plants were also given to our treasurer and secretary for their continued support and work. After business, it was time for chat and socialising, and a super cheese and wine buffet.

Our committee is now:

Judy Welch - president Jan McNeill - vice president
Helen Johnson - treasurer Jane Jarrett - secretary
Committee members - Margaret Small, Jean Ferneyhough, Rachel Harding

The informal coffee morning on May 30th at Lynnbrook was well attended as usual and we enjoyed cake and chat and made a collection for the RNLI.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday June 4th at 7pm at the Globe, Misterton. Our speaker is Chris Nourse from Blood Bikes. Future speakers' subjects include The War Graves Commission, MIND in Somerset, Purple Fields Productions, along with a celebration for our 104th birthday, a garden party and of course our Christmas social. So ladies give us a try. We are always happy to welcome you to our meetings or coffee mornings.

We will not be holding a coffee morning in June, as we will be hosting the group AGM at the Hoskins Hall in North Perrott.

The committee



Our photo shows retiring president Susan May being presented with an olive tree for her garden by incoming president Judy Welch

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Misterton flower festival - 'Around our town'



St Leonard's Church Flower Guild together with Ile Valley Flower Club decorated the church for the late May bank holiday weekend.

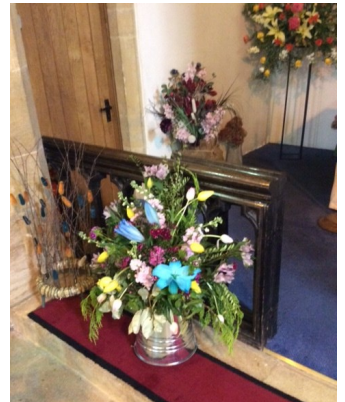
Our arrangers said it with flowers, representing shops and businesses around town. We saw the estate agent, the sweet shop, the shoe shop, the hairdresser and many more, 17 in all.

After viewing the beautiful flowers, visitors could enjoy a cuppa and a slice of homemade cake in the garden of Finials next to the church then treat themselves at the home produce stall.

This time we were mainly raising money for the badly needed refurbishment of our village hall.

We hope you all enjoyed our flower festival.







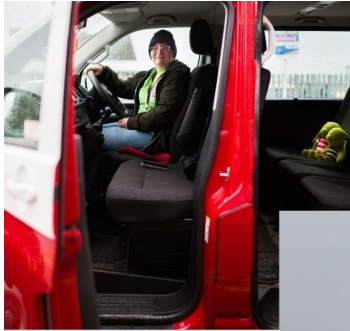
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Bob Waterhouse
Chairman

Help required

Before the MUGA is repainted the parish council is planning on cleaning the blue metal surrounds. This is scheduled for Sunday 23rd June, starting at 10:00am. If anybody could lend a hand for a couple of hours, please could they contact the clerk (mistertonpc@gmail.com or 07917 753361). All equipment will be provided.

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Village show schedule - Saturday 17th August

Please circle the class or class you wish to enter. This schedule is for a single person; if other members in the family wish to apply then put your name, telephone number and age on a separate piece of paper (in the event of any queries). If you are a child, put the class number or numbers you wish to enter. Place all in an envelope and post in one of the three letterboxes around the village. These are located at:

Paul and Diane Bradly, Knowle House at the bottom of Knowle Lane
Graham and Kate White, Sunnyside, opposite the school
Mike and Cheryl Newman, Poppies, opposite Packers Way

The hall will be open from 8:30am for exhibits, will close at 10:30am for judging, reopening again at 11:30am. The cafe will also be open at this time.

Name

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Children 5 to 8 years old

- 1) Something made from recycled materials
- 2) A drawing or painting of any fruit
- 3) A flower arrangement in a jam jar
- 4) The largest leaf you can find
- 5) Three decorated biscuits e.g. rich tea or digestive.

Children 9 to 15 years old

- 6) You've made it, let's see it
- 7) A green flower arrangement; maximum size 12" all round
- 8) A drawing or painting of an animal
- 9) Five homemade fruit scones.
- 10) A poem about the flower show.

Flower arrangements

- 11) An all-green arrangement on a plate; max 15" overall
- 12) A single flower, green allowed
- 13) A table centre arrangement; max 15" all round
- 14) An arrangement in a novelty container; 12" max all round
- 15) A birthday posy for a 21st birthday

House plants

- 16) An all-green plant
- 17) A flowering plant
- 18) One grown from seed
- 19) A scented plant
- 20) Sweetest smelling rose (not a plant but must be home grown)

Vegetables

- 21) Three potatoes
- 22) Three carrots
- 23) Three beetroots
- 24) Three courgettes
- 25) Five runner beans
- 26) Three eating apples
- 27) Three cooking apples
- 28) Shoe box of assorted vegetables
- 29) Novelty item - any fruit or deformed vegetable with humour in mind

Flowers

- 30) Vase of six assorted flower stems
- 31) A rose, any variety
- 32) Three phlox (may be of different types)
- 33) Six sweet peas.
- 34) Three dahlias

Baking

- 35) An iced Victoria sandwich
- 36) Five decorated cupcakes
- 37) Five cheese straws
- 38) Five sausage rolls
- 39) Fruit cake of your choice
- 40) Men only - carrot cake

Crafts

- 41) An adult's knitted jumper, any ply
- 42) A bookmark
- 43) A sewn child's garment
- 44) A hand knitted toy
- 45) A machine knitted garment
- 46) A cushion cover (pad inside)
- 47) Drawing or painting of anything related to Misterton

Novelty item

This is a family project, to include at least one child

- 48) An animal made entirely from kitchen and garden waste.

The winning entry of this class will be photographed and be on the cover of the village magazine when space is available.

All schedules must be in by Sunday 12 noon August 11th

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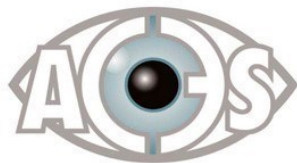


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Georgina Hoskyns

St Martin's Church Fund Raising Committee

English words of foreign origin

Of course, many of the words we use come from Latin, Anglo-Saxon, or Norman French. However, here are some from other languages.

Alarm, ballot, bankrupt: Italian

Alcohol, candy, lemon: Arabic

Anonymous, kudos: Greek

Balaclava, mammoth: Russian

Boss, cookie, landscape, waffle: Dutch

Diesel, kindergarten, poltergeist, rucksack: German

Entrepreneur, massage: French

Ketchup, tycoon: Chinese

Mosquito, patio, vigilante: Spanish

Bagel: Yiddish

Corgi: Welsh

Karaoke: Japanese

Shampoo: Hindi

Ski: Norwegian

Smithereens: Irish

Sofa: Turkish

Tattoo: Polynesian

John Coquet



Thank you

A big thank you from the village hall to the flower festival; to the arrangers, the cake bakers, the stewards, the refreshment makers and the gazebo assemblers. With special thanks to Sue Coquet, Cheryl Newman and Christine Perrin for putting it all together, Brenda England for the use of her garden and Diane Bradly for organising the refreshments. A fabulous weekend as ever and the village hall is very grateful for all the funds raised.



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Our meeting this month is on Friday 28th June at 7:30pm in the village hall. We have a new speaker this month, Ian Tribe who lives in Popleswell, Crewkerne. Ian has a fascinating garden and has put together a talk and slide show entitled 'Colour in your garden'. He hopes everyone will join in and ask plenty of questions.

Our flower of the month contest continues so bring along your favourite garden flower. As ever visitors and new members are very welcome even if you do not have a garden.

June is usually a lovely month in the garden with warm weather and long hours of daylight. This encourages everything to put on an exuberant rate of growth, weeds included. So, keep on top of these by hoeing them regularly in dry weather. There are other jobs to be done. Finish off your hanging baskets and get them in their final positions. Plant out summer bedding and if you have some tall and floppy plants, do give them support. You may have your first lettuces and radishes available now followed later in the month by new potatoes. All so much more flavourful than shop bought ones. If it is really dry you will need to water your plants, preferably in the early evening.

June in particular is the month when roses are at their best though most will go on for many months and we always aim (although not always succeeding) to have a rose on Christmas Day. Despite but perhaps because of the non-springlike weather, we had our first rose coming into bloom on May Day (see photo). It is one we have had for a long time, but I forget its name. Maybe its early flowering was helped by the hard pruning it had in January.



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Village hall flower show news

Just a few tips for our vegetable growers .. when preparing root vegetables for the show leave a half inch of stalk on top of beetroot and carrots. This is proof that they are home grown (it has happened in the distant past for someone to have purchased from the local market) but it also looks more professional. For onions, leave enough stem to be able to bend over and neatly tie. These tips are for the new gardeners. Seasoned ones need no help.

Quality comes first regardless; in the event of the judges having difficulty in deciding they will then look at the presentation.

See you all on the 17th August.

Pam Glazier

Flower show raffle

Although the Flower Show is not until 17th August as time goes very quickly, we thought it was better to get started on raffle prizes sooner rather than later. We would be very grateful if anyone has any items that were given as presents and you do not need them can you think about donating them to the raffle.

If you need me to collect, please let me know on 01460 76761 or deliver them to Diane Brady, Knowle House, Middle Street or leave them in Margaret Darch's porch at Brook House (behind Mallabones).

Thank you

Diane and Margaret

Top ten British babies' names 100 years apart

	1923 boys	2023 boys	1923 girls	2023 girls
1.	John	Noah	Mary	Olivia
2.	Robert	Oliver	Dorothy	Amelia
3.	William	George	Helen	Isla
4.	James	Arthur	Margaret	Ava
5.	Charles	Muhammed	Betty	Ivy
6.	George	Leo	Ruth	Freya
7.	Joseph	Harry	Virginia	Lily
8.	Edward	Oscar	Mildred	Florence
9.	Richard	Archie	Elizabeth	Mia
10.	Donald	Henry	Frances	Willow

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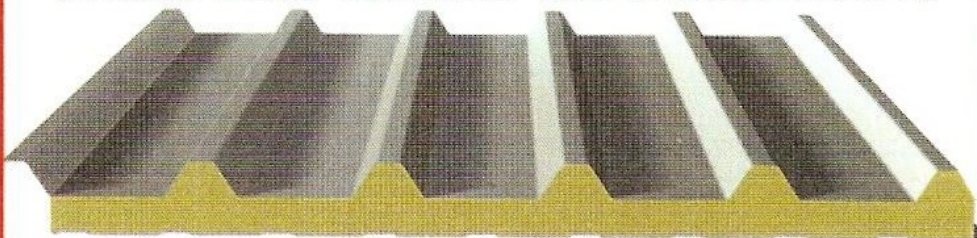
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This month the hall committee thought it appropriate to advise the residents of Misterton of its plans for our village hall.

Following the long closure during covid, the village hall is now in need of some urgent restoration. The committee have drawn up a long-term action plan for these refurbishments which will be executed in stages to enable us to plan ahead financially.

As a registered charity we will be seeking out grants. We also intend to run some events at the hall to maintain a steady flow of income for these works. So, watch this space for our future fund-raising evenings and please come along to support us! Perhaps you would like to organise a fund raiser for us?

There are a range of well-established clubs and activities currently running at the hall which you may like to try. But to spotlight our newest groups:

The village hall is pleased to welcome Barbara Dunlop, a qualified and passionate yoga teacher. Barbara runs her classes on a Thursday morning 9:30am to 10:30am. All abilities are welcome. To find out more you can visit her website yogabarbara.co.uk or call her on 07702 051797.

Are you interested in table tennis? Misterton Village Hall has the facilities to run a table tennis club that would be open to players of all ages and skill levels.

Why join?

- Socialise - meet fellow enthusiasts who share your love for the game.
- Stay active - table tennis is a fantastic workout for body and mind.
- Community spirit - be part of a welcoming and supportive group.

If you are interested, call Mike Luff on 07910 739674 or email on michaelsevenoaks1234@gmail.com (subject: Table tennis).

One of our longest running groups at the hall is Pegasus Karate. The club was originally founded back in the 1980s. It goes without saying that these instructors have a wealth of experience in their craft. Come along and meet Steve Hooper and the team. Steve runs classes on a Tuesday evening 5pm to 6pm for children and 6pm to 7pm for teens and adults. Thursday evening classes are 6pm to 7pm for teens and adults. You can visit his website at pegasuskarateclub.com.

The village hall still has some time slots available for hire for anyone thinking of starting up a new club or activity. Hire charges are competitive and we will be happy to meet you and discuss your needs. Please contact Joan Sweetman our bookings secretary on 01460 74994 or 07753 164496. You can also phone Sue Kennedy our secretary on 01460 72660 or 07790 476157.

Looking for a venue for a children's party or adult celebration? The village hall is available for hire for one-off bookings too!

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The story is told of two people who went into an old church, and found themselves near the communion table where, on the east wall, was inscribed the 10 Commandments (on the left) and the Apostle's Creed (on the right). As they looked, one pointed to the right and said, "I could never believe all that!" And there was a moment's pause before the second pointed to the left side and said quietly "Are you sure that it isn't really that you don't want to obey all those?" An easy mistake to make...

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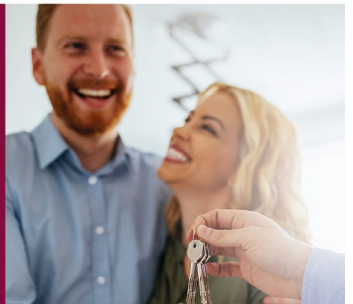
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Dates for your diary

June 2024

WI meeting	Tuesday 4th June	7pm	The Globe
Parish council meeting	Tuesday 18th June	6:30pm	Village hall back room
Gardening club	Friday 28th June	7:30pm	Village hall

The Church of St Leonard, Misterton

Rector of Crewkerne Benefice Rev CJ Davis 07707 719137 cj@stbartscrewkerne.org

Church services June 2024

Sunday 2nd June 2024 *Trinity 1*

Wayford: 9:30am HC Bob Key

Hewish: 9:30am HC CJ

Haselbury: 10:30am HC CW

North Perrott: 9am HC CW

St Bart's, Crewkerne: 11am HC

Sunday 9th June 2024 *Trinity 2*

Misterton: 11am HC David Newman

Haselbury: 10:30am HC BCP tbc

St Bart's, Crewkerne: 8am HC and 11am Morning prayer

Sunday 16th June 2024 *Trinity 3*

Haselbury: 10:30am Family service IS

North Perrott: 9am HC BCP

Hewish: 11am HC tbc

Wayford: 9:30am HC tbc

St Bart's, Crewkerne: 11am Morning prayer

Sunday 23rd June 2024 *Trinity 4*

Misterton: 9:30am HC CJ

Haselbury: 10:30am HC CW

St Bart's, Crewkerne: 8am HC and 11am All age service

Sunday 30th June 2024 *Trinity 5*

St Bart's, Crewkerne: 11am Combined service

Haselbury: 10:30am Joint Meriott benefice service

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