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Note from the editors

This month we are celebrating Misterton Football Club doing the double, having won not one but two trophies this season! You can find the full report on page 16.

As well as boasting both a football and a tennis club, there are various other clubs running in Misterton that you may not be aware of. There is the WI, the gardening club, a new book club at Mallabones (see page 6) and the village hall also hosts several clubs during the week, a list of which is published on page 22. There really is something for just about everyone!

Jacquie Lyus and Sarah Watt

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Dear residents

I'd like to begin my first letter by thanking Paul Bradly for his hard work as chairman over the past two years. During his time many things have moved forward in the village (including the installation of two SIDs, new benches on the recreation ground and a lease agreement with Misterton Football Club) and there are plans in place for more improvements which include the painting of MUGA, new equipment for the children's play area and the addition of yellow lines in a couple of locations to try to ease traffic congestion.

Since the last issue the parish council have followed up the fire in Unity Lane with Somerset Council, the police and fire service and requested to see the reports of the incident. Fire and police reports are returned to Somerset Council and not available directly. Somerset Council replied confirming that all relevant risk assessment and care planning is in place, and they are internally reviewing the incident. The councillors contested this statement and will be following up with Somerset Council. I can also confirm that there was no breach of planning regulations when the house was sold as the change of use was properly authorized by a Lawful Certificate.

Many of you will be aware that the MERT has been working away behind the scenes supporting the Misterton community in times of need and planning for greater resilience in the village. The parish council consider their activities to be very important for our community and have decided to incorporate the team as a fully subordinated working group. However, we have become aware over the last few years they were misnamed the Misterton Emergency and Resilience Team because they have not been authorised to act in emergencies. The team do plan for many eventualities within our community and so to coincide with their new status as a fully-fledged parish council working group, they will now be known as the Misterton Resilience Team (MRT) to better reflect their role. A copy of the recently published Misterton Resilience Plan can be found on the parish website.

And finally, following a village survey initiated by the parish council, a book club has recently started. Further details can be found in Mallabones. We hope this will be the first of several new clubs for residents to enjoy.

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Village hall flower show news

Please remember to fill in your schedules and post them in one of the letter boxes listed.

Can I also remind all our cake makers that we will accept on the day or give either Cheryl Newman a ring on 01460 75025 or Christine Perrin on 01460 76824 for alternative arrangements. Hopefully you will allow us to sell anything remaining at the auction.

Any monies raised will go to the village hall refurbishment fund.

Come and join us for a cup of tea whether you enter or not as we are hoping for a glorious sunny day where people can meet up and sit outside.

See you all at the show.

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Probus Clubs provide regular gatherings for those retired or semi-retired business or professional people who, in retirement, appreciate and value opportunities to meet others in similar circumstances and with similar interests.

Crewkerne Probus Club organises meetings for lunch on the last Wednesday of each month. These are held at the **Windwhistle Golf Club** at 12:15pm for 1:00pm. The two-course meal currently costs £15 per head and is followed by an after lunch speaker on an interesting topic.

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.

If you are a retired professional or business man living in the Crewkerne area, why not consider joining us? Contact David Bryant on 01460 74422

At our meeting last month, the speaker was Chris Nourse from Blood Bikes. An interesting and informative meeting which all members present enjoyed.

Two members, Jan and Emily, however, were not at the meeting, as they travelled to London along with members from all over Somerset for the Annual Meeting at the Royal Albert Hall, which took place on Wednesday 5th June. The general theme of all speakers this year was focused on domestic violence, as this was the national resolution from last year. Every issue that we campaign on stems directly from a resolution put forward by members and adopted at the Annual Meeting. WI members have a unique opportunity to turn a concern into a national campaign every year, backed by the whole of the WI. This year there were over 95,000 individual selections cast by WI members and the most popular resolution, was dental health matters.

Speakers at this year's meeting were Nazir Afzal OBE, a British solicitor and former prosecutor within the Crown Prosecution Service. His passionate presentation about very prominent cases, including the Rochdale grooming gang earned him a standing ovation. Further speakers were an equally honest former Spice Girl Melanie Brown, MBE, interviewed about her dysfunctional and abusive marriage by journalist Victoria Derbyshire. The final speaker was actor Tim Watson, better known as Rob Titchner from the Archers. His big storyline was one of coercive abuse, which was followed by a massive audience. Serious and tough subjects. However, for most the lasting memory of the day would definitely have been the singing of Jerusalem, accompanied by the mighty Albert Hall organ. A day to remember.

Back locally, Misterton WI hosted our group AGM at the Hoskins Hall in North Perrott on June 18th, with a superb buffet and interesting speaker Emma Britton, who was a BBC local radio presenter for over ten years and is also a celebrant.

Our next meeting is July 2nd which will be a garden party at the home of our president, Judy Welch. More delicious food and chat! Our next coffee morning is at Lynnbrook on 12th July 10:30am-12noon – call 01460 77599 for more details.

****SAVE THE DATE**** We invite villagers to join us at an OPEN MEETING on Tuesday August 6th at the Hoskyns Hall in North Perrott when we will feature a speaker from the War Graves Commission. Further details next month.

So, ladies do give us a try as we have a full and interesting programme for the rest of 2024.

The committee



Emily and Jan at the
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I am writing this report at a momentous time for the club as we are about to replace our existing floodlights with new LED ones. Permission has been granted by Misterton Parish Council and local residents backing onto the courts have been reassured that the lights will be lower, and therefore less intrusive than the existing ones. Work is planned to begin in early July.

Our men's team continues to struggle in the Yeovil and district leagues losing all six matches so far, although they have picked up their first two points! Our ladies' team has had greater success. The team had a slow start to the season with a draw and some matches lost, but a couple of wins (8:3 v Wincanton and 8:5 v Chard) has put us currently in third place in the league with 29 points at this half way mark. Yeovil are top with 57 points, Ilminster 47. With most matches coming up being home matches, we're confident we can retain our place in Division 2.

Bob Waterhouse
Chairman



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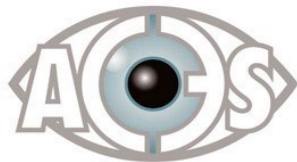


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Misterton Football Club 2023/24 Season Review

What a fantastic season 2023/24 was for Misterton FC. The season started with changes behind the scenes and new look committee. We thanked previous chairman Stacy Hawes and treasurer Martin French for their all their efforts in their many years involved in the club, leaving the club with great foundations and their continued commitment to the club.

Joe Djebet was elected as chairman, Sarah Godwin stayed on as secretary and Ben Paul was elected as new treasurer. There was also a fresh committee voted in to support off the field. Meanwhile, Jack Bradford and Rob Doble continued as first team and reserve team manager respectively, both into their second seasons in post.

The 2022/23 season had seen consistent and steady results for both sides, with both earning upper mid table finishes, however, no silverware was brought back to the club.

First Team

Despite a productive pre-season, the firsts' found themselves missing a number of key players for a difficult first match away to Chard United. A last-minute equaliser from Luca Manley was enough to gain a valuable point, which proved vital to what was to come throughout the season. An extended run of good form up to Christmas found the firsts in top spot going into the festive period. An early cup exit in the Coronation cup was disappointing as was an early round defeat in the County Cup, however league form continued to be impressive in the new year.



With league standings close as the season progressed, a 3-3 draw in March vs Forton was crucial. The week after this, a disappointing draw vs Barrington appeared to mean our opportunity to win the league had passed, but results went our way in the next couple of weeks; as well as two impressive away victories to almost secure a first title in 36 years. The final weekend came, and a walkover victory was awarded due to opposition failing to field a full side, meaning Misterton took home the title by three points. This was the first league title won by Misterton FC in 36 years leading to celebrations at the Globe Inn to remember.

In addition to winning the title, Misterton had proceeded to the Challenge Cup final, and this game would end our season versus local rivals South Petherton. The game was played on a lovely sunny Friday evening in May and was a close fought game between two closely matched sides. As the sun was setting, Misterton won the penalty shootout thanks to two brilliant saves from keeper Liam Sparks. Victory led to a pitch invasion from the supporters, champagne popping and a historic double trophy lift for everyone connected to Misterton FC to remember.

Reserve Team

The reserves had another consistent season, finishing in seventh place in a competitive PSDL



Division 1, which hosts many clubs' first teams.

They kicked off their season at home to Forton Rangers and suffered a narrow defeat but showed great character, nearly coming back from 5-1 down. The reserves' first win of the season came in their third game, against West and Middle Chinnock thanks to a memorable George Hallett hattrick.

As the reserves went into the new year, they had a couple of difficult games however the highlight of the season was to come, with four victories on the bounce throughout February and March to steadily move up the league table. A good cup run was to follow, with the reserves reaching the semi finals of the Division 1 Cup, just losing out to eventual winners Forton Reserves.

The 2023/24 season was another year of development for the reserves, who continue to field teams promoting both youth and experienced players, as well as supporting the first team. Following the conclusion of the season, Rob Doble, notified the club of his intentions to stand down due to work commitments. Rob will continue to play for Misterton when available. The club thank Rob for all his hard work over the last two seasons.

Presentation Night

Misterton FC enjoyed an evening of celebration at Cricket St Thomas Golf Club on Saturday 22nd June. This was an opportunity for everyone involved with the club to celebrate the success of the past season. There were also several awards presented, as follows:

The Ben Rousell Award (Supporters Player of the Year): Liam Sparks

The MisterMan Award (Clubman Award): Jack Bradford

First Team
Players Player of the Year: Sam Rowswell
Runner Up Players Player of the Year: Jonny Manley
Managers Player of the Year: Morley Hold
Young Player of the Year: Luca Manley
Top Goalscorer: Kieran Adams

Reserve Team
Players Player of the Year: Tyler Perrett
Runner Up Players Player of the Year: Owen Widdows
Managers Player of the Year: Rob Keylock
Young Player of the Year: Finn Kruszynski
Top Goalscorer: Greg Howe



Misterton FC would like to take the opportunity to thank all our sponsors for the 2023/24 season: The Windowman, Atom Fabs, TLC Accountants, The Globe Inn, Barratt Bros Butchers, National Trade Direct, RL Jeffery Building and Lancer Scott.

We look forward to seeing you all at Unity Lane when the 2024/25 season kicks off, and Misterton aim to retain their title.



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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.

July is often the hottest month of the year. So, if it is so this year, sit outside and enjoy your garden. Just a few things to be done such as dead heading to ensure your plants continue to bloom for many a month to come. Water and feed them well and if you have a vegetable patch gather your beans, courgettes, lettuce and radishes. Nothing like the taste of things you have grown yourself. My grandchildren often tell me that everything I grow in our garden taste entirely different from shop grown produce.

The roses, as ever, have given us so much pleasure. We have replaced a few roses (using our 10% gardening club discount vouchers from Groves Nurseries) and all of them seemed to have bloomed very well. However, the star of our garden this year has been our Cornus Kousa (see photo). This is a dwarf tree which we bought from Forde Abbey as a sapling a few years ago. It is covered in snow white bracts (not really flowers but it's a fine difference) and these last for two or three months. If you see a Cornus Kousa for sale at a local nursery, do buy it. They are not too expensive and a great addition to any garden.



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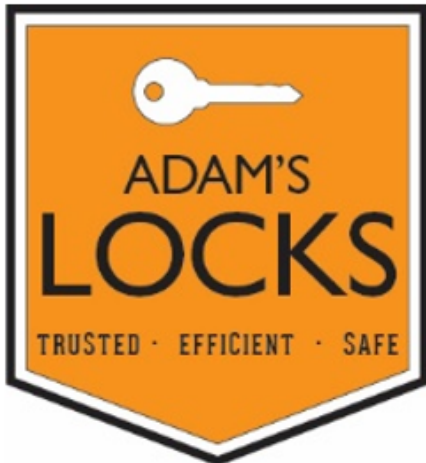


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The last few months have seen the village hall committee busy drawing up plans to for the prioritisation of much needed refurbishment work; the list is extensive and captures work designed to enhance the experience of village hall users, whilst other tasks are required to fulfil our ongoing legal obligations regarding fire safety and health and safety. Needless to say, the committee will be looking at various ways to finance all this work; as a registered charity there are a plethora of low-level grants available to us, but we will also be seeking to raise funds through village activities, whether at the hall itself or in the wider Misterton community. A great example of the latter was the recent flower festival at the church, who generously donated the funds raised to the village hall. If any readers have ideas for events that they think would be well supported by the community, please let one of the committee know and we will explore.

It is worth highlighting again the regular groups that use the hall. We have a whole range of different clubs and if you would like to give any a try, please contact the group organiser to arrange. Alternatively, turn up at the hall on the day the activity is taking place to see what it is all about. Whatever club you choose, you will be made to feel very welcome.

- Monday** Table tennis 2-4pm (Mike at michaelsevenoaks1234@gmail.com)
Tai Chi 6-7pm (Morag at morag@masterworksinternational.co.uk)
- Tuesday** Karate 5-7pm (Steve at pegasuskarateclub@hotmail.com)
- Wednesday** Breeze Dance 4-8:45pm (Joanne at sivell3@aol.com)
- Thursday** Yoga 9:30-10:30am (Barbara at yogawithbarbara@hotmail.com)
Karate 5-7pm
- Friday** Gardening Club 7-8pm on last Friday of the month (John Dyke 01460 77233)
Table tennis 2-4pm

Of course, the hall is available for one-off events outside of the regular bookers. So, if you are thinking of celebrating a special event, why not consider hiring the hall for it? You will find the rates very competitive and there is often good availability. Please contact Joan Sweetman, our bookings secretary, on 01460 74994 or 07753 164496 for further information on prices and availability.

The committee's vision is to make the hall the centre of village activity and your continued support is vital if we are to achieve this. Please let us know if you have any ideas for events that you would like to see the committee promote or if you have any observations about the hall that you would like to make.

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.***

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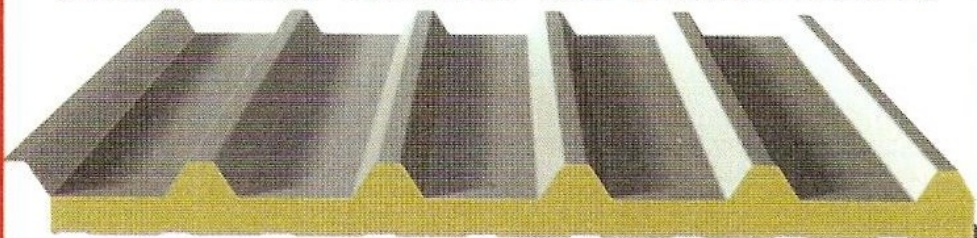
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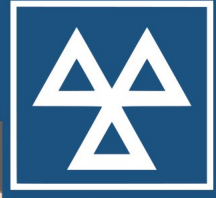


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Letter

This month, a great poem and reflection on Christ by the 17th century poet George Herbert.

*Love bade me welcome. Yet my soul drew back
Guilty of dust and sin.*

*But quick-eyed Love, observing me grow slack
From my first entrance in,
Drew nearer to me, sweetly questioning,
If I lacked any thing.*

*A guest, I answered, worthy to be here:
Love said, You shall be he.
I the unkind, ungrateful? Ah my dear,
I cannot look on thee.*

*Love took my hand, and smiling did reply,
Who made the eyes but I?*

*Truth Lord, but I have marred them: let my shame
Go where it doth deserve.*

*And know you not, says Love, who bore the blame?
My dear, then I will serve.*

*You must sit down, says Love, and taste my meat:
So I did sit and eat.*

With my love and prayers

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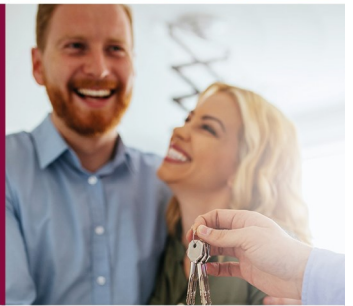
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WI meeting	Tuesday 2nd July		Garden party
WI coffee morning	Friday 12th July	10:30am	Lynnbrook
Parish council meeting	Tuesday 16th July	6:30pm	Village hall back room
Gardening club	Sunday 28th July	2:30pm	Dry Close, Newbery Lane
WI open meeting	Tuesday 6th August		Hoskyns Hall, North Perrott
Village flower show	Saturday 17th August		Village hall

The Church of St Leonard, Misterton

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

Church services July 2024

Sunday 7th July 2024 *Trinity 6*

Wayford: 9:30am HC CJ	Hewish: 9:30am HC David Newman
Haselbury: 10:30am HC CW	North Perrott: 9am HC CW
St Bart's, Crewkerne: 11am HC CJ	

Sunday 14th July 2024 *Trinity 7*

Misterton: 11am HC Bob Key	Haselbury: 10:30am HC BCP
St Bart's, Crewkerne: 8am HC and 11am morning prayer	

Sunday 21st July 2024 *Trinity 8*

Haselbury: 10:30am Gerry Reilly celebrates 60 years since his ordination	
North Perrott: 9am HC BCP	Wayford: 9:30am HC David Newman
Hewish: 11am HC David Newman	St Bart's, Crewkerne: 11am morning prayer

Sunday 28th July 2024 *Trinity 9*

Misterton: 9:30am HC CJ	Haselbury: 10:30am HC CW
St Bart's, Crewkerne: 11am All age service and 6pm informal communion	

Flowers

Sunday 14th July	Mrs S Bacigalupo
Sunday 28th July	Mrs B England

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