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Note from the editors

We don't know about you but we've been looking forward to July all year. The event of the year is nearly here - the Misterton village hall 50th birthday party! Hopefully you've already got the date in your diary but for more details about the big day, look no further than page 10 where all is revealed.

The fun doesn't end in July as August sees the return of the village flower show. You can find the show schedule in the middle pages of the magazine, which is intended to be easily removable so that you can submit your class entry(s).

Jacquie Lyus and Sarah Watt

Deadline for entries for the August magazine is Monday 21st July.

Submissions for inclusion in the magazine please to mistertonmagazine@gmail.com or through the letter box at Chestnut Lodge, Broughtons Drive.

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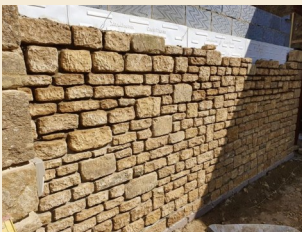
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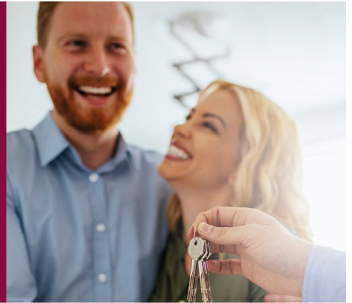
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News from the Parish Council and Recreation Field Trust



Dear residents

It is with regret that the speed watch team have decided to hang up their yellow jackets. Recently it has been increasingly difficult to recruit new volunteers, which has resulted in the inability to do sufficient speed watches. Fortunately, the village now has two SIDs in place which appear to remind most drivers to keep to the limits and these will continue to be monitored by the roads working group of the parish council. My thanks to all those who have been involved with the scheme over the years.

On another road matter, more safety concerns have been raised about parking along Station Road. Previously the parish council had agreed that no decision would be made before the new entrance to Wool Gardens from Station Road was finalised. As it is unclear when this will be made, we are in discussion with Somerset Council Traffic Management about the results of the traffic consultation and their opinion on options and the way ahead.

Somerset Council have released the draft recommendations for new divisions, division boundaries and division names. Under these recommendations Crewkerne will be divided into two single-member wards. Misterton will come under the South Crewkerne ward along with West Crewkerne, Wayford, Winsham and other parishes. Full details and the opportunity to comment can be found on the Local Government Boundary Commission for England website (www.lgbce.org.uk).

Following the recent rain and warm weather, vegetation is growing very fast, not least close to the local waterways. At this time of year, we need to remind those living by streams of riparian rights and ask that riverbanks are kept clear so water keeps flowing where it should. This will hopefully mean less problems later in the autumn and winter when rain is likely to arrive.

There is very little else to report from the parish council this month. Routine meetings and matters continue as normal, and I am grateful to the councillors for their continued support with village matters.

Graham White
Chairman

Misterton Resilience Team contact details

If you would like our assistance please call:

Phil Clifton and Sally Gray 01460 73815 or 07775 841204 philclifton@hotmail.com

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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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Misterton village hall

The month of our big party has finally arrived - it takes place at the hall and recreation field on the afternoon of Saturday 19th July. The event has been kindly sponsored by Misterton Garage and we are very grateful for their generous contribution to our party. We would also like to say a big thank you to Sue's Café for donating our birthday cake and to My Bestie Pet Shop in Crewkerne who has kindly donated the prizes for the dog show. Special thanks must also go to the parish council for allowing us to use the communal recreation space for our celebration. Finally, a big thank you to the very talented Alice Watt from Church Lane for designing our 50th event logo, which we have been proudly displaying at every opportunity.



To the right is an outline of what promises to be a great day. Please keep an eye out on the Residents of Misterton's Facebook page for any changes/updates prior to the party.

As well as the scheduled events, don't forget we have an art display in the main hall, classic cars between the MUGA and tennis club, a plant and craft stall as well as a tombola. Additionally, the tennis club and Friends of Crewkerne Station will be in attendance.

Raffle ticket sales are going well; If you would like to purchase any more, please contact Diane Bradly, who will be happy to provide. Don't forget, Diane is always on the lookout for more raffle and/or tombola prizes for the event as well and very happy to take delivery of any donations at Knowle House, ahead of the event. Additionally, the WI is keen to hear from residents who can provide any homemade cakes (large or small), tray bakes, scones (plain, fruit and savoury) as well as chutneys, jams and preserves to help stock their extensive cold food stall. All donations will be greatly received, so if you would like to provide any baked goods/preserves, please bring them to the village hall on the day of the party.

Parking is available on site, but we would encourage those who are able to walk to the event to minimise the traffic through Unity Lane on the day.

We will be able to accept cash and card payments at the bar as well as the hot and cold stalls. All other stalls will be cash only.

Although hot and cold food is available, residents can also bring their own picnics if they wish. Our only request is that any waste is correctly disposed of at the various recycling points situated around the event.

We hope it will be a great day, and we would love to see as many of the residents of Misterton as possible. Please feel free to contact any member of the village hall committee if you have any questions about the day.

And finally, on a separate note, residents are reminded that the village hall will be closed from Monday 28th July until Monday 11th August, whilst we carry out an upgrade to our toilet facilities and refurbish the main hall floor.

Time	Event
8:30am	Set-up of event begins at the hall/rec – any volunteers to help would be greatly appreciated
12pm	Party starts
12pm	Bar open. Hot and cold food available
12:30pm-1:30pm	Live music from Topsy Swing (indoors)
12:30pm-1pm	Table tennis demo (main ring)
12:30pm-1:30pm	Childrens' Forest School (between hall and MUGA)
1pm-1:30pm	Karate demo (main ring)
1:30pm-2:15pm	Live music from The Red Kytes (outdoor stage)
2:15pm-3:15pm	Dog Show prelims (main ring)
2:30pm-3:30pm	Live music from Topsy Swing (indoors)
2:30pm-3:30pm	Childrens' crafting activity (near MUGA)
3:15pm-3:45pm	Dance demo by students of Jo Sivell Dance School (main ring)
3:45pm	Cake cutting ceremony
3:45pm-4:45pm	Live music from The Red Kytes (outdoor stage)
4:45pm	Raffle draw
4:45pm-5pm	Best dress/fancy dress judging (main ring)
5pm-5:15pm	Dog Show final (main ring)
6pm	Party finishes
6pm-7pm	Clear up - any volunteers to help would be greatly appreciated

Raffle/tombola prizes appeal

If anyone has raffle prizes or tombola items for the village hall 50th anniversary party, can they leave them at Diane Bradly's house, Knowle House, or Margaret Darch's house, Brook House (behind Mallabones). If you have items and need them collected, please call Diane on 01460 76761. Thank you very much.

Diane Bradly and Margaret Darch

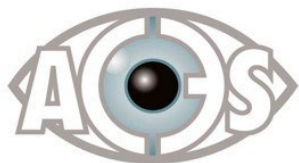


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We were pleased to welcome three visitors to our last meeting on June 3rd, when we enjoyed a demonstration from accomplished artist Kate Lynch. A lively meeting as usual and thoroughly enjoyed by everyone who attended.

The June coffee morning was this time at Mallabones on 19th June. As always, a time for chat and scones, and informal get together and a chance to catch up in between our usual monthly meetings.

Judy, our president, and Jane, our secretary attended our annual national AGM this year. A meeting with a difference, as this was all online. West and Middle Chinnock, one of our neighbouring WIs, held an informal get together in their village hall. The speakers were Emma Bridgewater and Angel Strawbridge, who were very well received.

Our ladies have continued to be busy, preparing and making items for our craft stall at the village hall anniversary party on the 19th July. We have wrapped, priced, and continue to prepare for the event. With the village hall committee's approval, all proceeds from the craft stall will be donated to the Owsley Trust thus ensuring that funds raised on the day will go back into the local community. Please come and support us at the party.

There will be well priced goods suitable for birthdays, Christmas and other occasions. Cushions, lavender items, painted glass vases, handmade cards and gift boxes, children's toys and bobbles for hair, items for pets, and much more!



More of our crafts



And a final reminder that we will also be manning the kitchen on the day of the party, offering home bakes, teas and coffees and light lunches throughout the event. We are asking villagers to bake scones (sweet and savoury), traybakes, whole cakes to be cut up or sold individually, and jams and chutneys. Items can be delivered to Jan on Newbery Lane, Judy at Marsh Cottage, or brought along to the village hall on the morning of July 19th. All proceeds from the kitchen will go to the ongoing refurbishment of the village hall, which Misterton WI is very glad to support. The new kitchen will make life so much easier for all who use the hall.

Our next meeting is on July 1st, when Lottie Dale will treat us to stories from 'Treading the wards'. Ladies, you are most welcome to join us for our speaker, which always begins our meeting at 7pm sharp.

So ladies give us a try! For any further information please contact Judy on 01460 78931 or Jan on 01460 77599 or jancd136@hotmail.com.

The committee

The photos above right feature our committee visiting the new village hall kitchen and home bakes at our fund raiser



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Village show schedule - Saturday 16th August - Village hall

Please circle the class or classes you wish to enter. This schedule is for a single person. If other members of the family wish to apply please put your name, telephone number, age if a child, plus the class numbers you wish to enter on a separate piece of paper. Place in an envelope and post in any of the letterboxes listed below around the village.

Flower show addresses

Mike and Cheryl Newman - Poppies, Silver Street

Christine Perrin - New Inn Cottages, Silver Street

Graham and Kate White - Sunnyside, opposite Misterton Learning Centre

Paul and Diane Bradley - Knowle House, bottom of Knowle Lane

Steve and Jacquie Lyus - Chestnut Lodge, Broughtons Drive

Doors open at 8:30am for exhibits to arrive. 10am to 11am doors are closed for judging, opening again as soon as the judging finishes when the kitchen will be serving tea, coffee, soft drinks and cakes. Hotdogs and pancakes will be on sale outside from approximately 11:15am onwards. Please note that exhibitors are politely asked to collect their property between 2:45pm - 3pm unless you wish to leave it for the auction which starts at 3:15pm. Anything remaining after 3pm will be auctioned. Donations of cakes, scones or biscuits can be donated on the day or left with Cheryl Newman who will be organising the kitchen. All monies raised will be donated to the village hall to help towards the cost of the refurbishment.

Please note we cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage to anything left at the hall during or after the show.

See you on the 16th!

Name

Telephone number

Age (if appropriate)

Classes

Flower arranging

1. Red and green, no flowers, can use vegetables and fruit. 25cm HWL
2. Storm in a teacup. 20cm HWL
3. In the pink, front facing vase arrangement. No oasis. 25cm WL, height unlimited
4. By the sea. Miniature arrangement. 10cm HWL
5. In the shade. Foliage only. 25cm HWL
6. A contemporary arrangement of five flowers. 25cm WL, height unlimited (HWL = height, width and length)

Photographs

7. Memories. No size restrictions, adults

8. As above but for children under 15

Houseplants

- 9. All green plant
- 10. A flowering plant
- 11. A plant grown from seed
- 12. A scented plant
- 13. An unusual plant

Vegetables

- 14. 5 potatoes
- 15. 3 carrots
- 16. 3 beetroots
- 17. 3 courgettes
- 18. 5 runner beans
- 19. 3 eating apples
- 20. 3 cooking apples
- 21. 3 tomatoes
- 22. A container with at least 6 different vegetables. Please note the container will not be judged
- 23. Any deformed vegetable

Flowers

- 24. Vase of six assorted flowers
- 25. A scented rose
- 26. 3 phlox any variety
- 27. 6 sweet peas any variety
- 28. 3 dahlias any variety

Baking

- 29. Lemon drizzle cake
 - 30. 5 fruit scones
 - 31. A vegetable quiche
 - 32. A date loaf - men only
 - 33. 5 shortbread fingers
- We are looking for texture and flavour on all the above. Unrestricted size.

Crafts

- 34. A pencil drawing any subject
- 35. A child's toy made from any medium
- 36. An item made from wood
- 37. Anything made from scrap metal
- 38. Any knotted item
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John Coquet

Road closure in Misterton

A road closure is planned through Misterton village during the month of August.

The dates of the road closure will be between 31/07/25 and 29/08/25 and will be in force between the hours of 8am - 6pm not including weekends or bank holidays (the road will be open outside of these times and on weekend and bank holidays).

As part of this road closure there will be three-way traffic lights at the junction from Haselbury Plucknett onto the Yeovil road A30 to enable large vehicle to turn back towards Crewkerne without turning into oncoming traffic coming from Crewkerne. Again, these lights will be in operation during the same periods as the road closure and will be manned during busy periods.

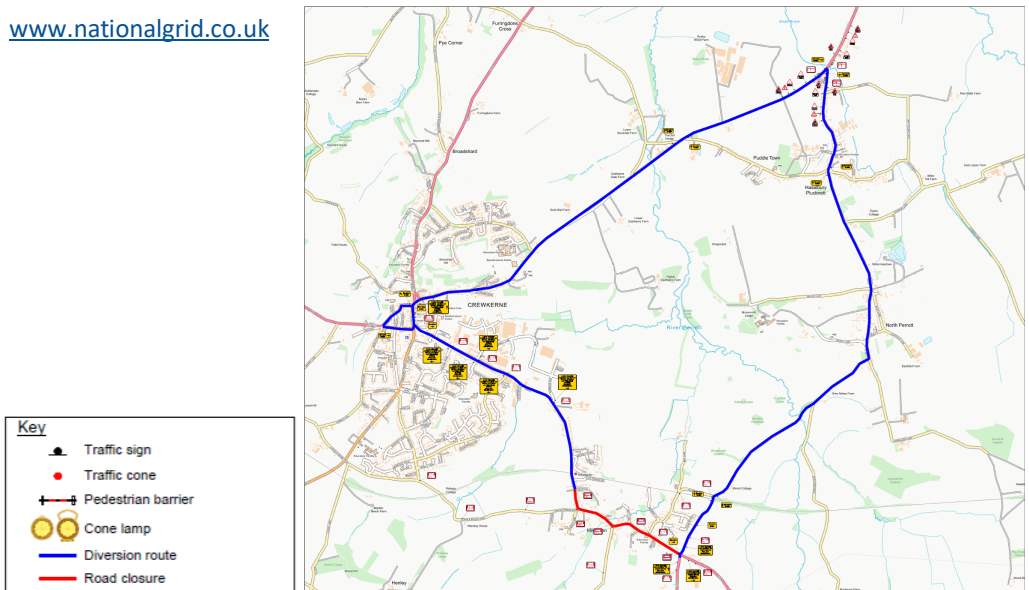
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2 slices prosciutto

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100g samphire
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Greek yogurt to serve

Method

Heat the grill to medium. Wrap each fillet of fish in a slice of prosciutto and drizzle with a little olive oil. Place on a baking tray and grill for 6-8 minutes, turning once, until the prosciutto is crisp and the fish is just cooked through.

While the fish is cooking, tip the lentils, capers, samphire and olive oil into a small saucepan and gently heat through, adding the lemon juice and seasoning to taste. Serve the fish with the lentils, lemon wedges, a dollop of yogurt and a drizzle of olive oil.





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Club



Crewkerne Probus Club hold regular lunch meetings on the last Wednesday of each month. These are currently held at Cricket St Thomas Golf Club, and we meet at 12:15pm.

At 12:30pm we have a guest speaker who gives us an insight into an interesting topic. The two-course lunch is served at 1pm and this costs £20 per head, followed by coffee.

Crewkerne Probus Club also organises a number of special events throughout the year, including a Ladies Spring Lunch, a Christmas Lunch and other outings to places of local interest.

We have a tradition of selecting a worthy local charity each year for which to raise funds.

If you are a retired or semi-retired man living in the Crewkerne area, why not come along and give us a try? For more information you can contact our secretary or visit our website, all details are below. Alternatively, you can scan the QR code in the top right corner.

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Misterton Gardeners Association

Our meeting this month is a garden party. The date and the venue have yet to be arranged as it is rather weather dependent. Members will be notified later in the month. Visitors are very welcome so do get in touch with me for details.

After June (the best growing month of the year for us gardeners) there is work to be done this month. All the flowers which have had their growth spurt in the long summer days will need some attention. Dead heading in particular as this will encourage further young growth. Watering and weeding are both necessary. Water the ground at the base of your plants and do not forget those in your hanging baskets. Courgettes will be coming on and pick these before they become marrows. Runner beans and tomatoes will become available towards the end of the month. We always look forward to picking our first tomatoes which occurred on 21st July last year. No doubt some of you can beat this!

Most of the plants in our garden have done pretty well so far this year. The roses and the dahlias are looking great. But one shrub which has grabbed our attention is the purple leafed elder pictured here. Everybody should have one as they are quick and easy growing plants with quite delightful flowers, white with a distinct pink tinge to them. I am told that the flowers make splendid elderflower cordial or even wine.



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Mallabones

Mallabones continues to enjoy the support of various clubs and societies in our community who meet up to enjoy the space and many regulars who come by for fabulous freshly cooked breakfasts and lunches. Our specials board has become quite a hit, with Zoey and Mica dreaming up delicious new ideas to tantalise your tastebuds! The board changes each week so don't miss out - follow us on Instagram for weekly updates.

Coming up Nick and Clare will host their next quiz on Saturday 26th July so come in to sign up and book your table.

We are also very excited to announce our next music event - Phil Beer on Saturday 23rd August.



Phil Beer is one of the UK's finest instrumentalists, working with The Rolling Stones, Mike Oldfield, Steve Harley, Pete Townshend and others throughout his illustrious career. 30 years as part of Show of Hands also allowed him to develop as producer, composer and singer, and his new focus on blues has relaunched Phil's musicianship into almost legendary status.

On Saturday 23rd August, Phil brings a special solo show to Mallabones, showcasing some of the finest moments of his musical journey. The bar opens at 6pm and a light supper is included.

Tickets are available now at £30 from <https://handsontv.co.uk/live-session/16>

Not to be missed.

We look forward to welcoming you soon!

Turnpike Green Community Bingo

We hold a bingo in the Turnpike Green community lounge every Tuesday and Saturday with eyes down at 2pm. On Tuesday, there are six games and a flyer for £10. On Saturday we offer six games for £10 including a flyer and a raffle (tickets are £1). Both sessions we offer an ongoing jackpot and refreshments as an extra.

It is our intention to donate to a charity every month and last month we donated to Guide Dogs via Jemma Spencer (who lives in the village). Everyone is welcome.

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Organiser



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Misterton Tennis Club

The second adult improvers tennis coaching course with tennis coach Henry Park is now underway and fully booked. It is good to see so many players taking up the opportunity to improve and grow their game.

We are also inviting teenage improvers to take part in a series of fun coaching sessions on Tuesdays in July from 5:00pm to 6:30pm with Henry. Plus - if you're looking to get started, an adult beginners class will be running on Tuesdays in August from 6:30pm to 8pm. All sessions are open to members and non-members. £7 per session.

Our thanks to Graham White for installing a notice board on the outside court netting, which will support club communications.



For further information about what Misterton Tennis Club has to offer, see our website: www.mistertontennis.co.uk.

Or contact admin@mistertontennis.co.uk.

Come and visit us on our stand at the Misterton Village Hall's 50th Anniversary event on 19th July.

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July 2025

WI meeting	Tuesday 1st July	7pm	The Globe
Book club	Wednesday 2nd July	12:30pm	Mallabones
Parish council meeting	Tuesday 15th July	6:30pm	Village hall back room
Village hall 50th anniversary party	Saturday 19th July	12pm-6pm	Village hall/recreation ground
Quiz	Saturday 26th July	tba	Mallabones
Flower show	Saturday 16th August	11am	Village hall

Church services July 2025

Crewkerne Benefice					Merriott Benefice	
Rector: Rev CJ Davis 07707 719137 cj@stbartscrewkerne.org						
Date	Misterton	Wayford	Hewish	St Bart's	North Perrott	Haselbury
Sun 6th		9:30am HC	9:30am HC	11am HC	9am HC CW	10:30am HC CW
Sun 13th	9:30am HC			8am HC 11am Morning service		10:30am HC BCP
Sun 20th		9:30am HC	11am HC	8am HC 11am Morning service	9am HC BCP	10:30am Family service
Sun 27th	9:30am HC			11am All Age service 6pm HC		10:30am HC CW
CJ = Rev CJ Davis		BK = Very Rev Bob Key		DN = Rev David Newman	HC = Holy Communion	

	Flowers	Brass	Cleaning
Sunday 11th May	Mr T Nicholson	-	Mrs J Spitteler
Sunday 25th May	Mrs D Dyke	-	-

Letter

I am the Way and the Truth and the Life, no one comes to the Father except through me. (John 14:6)

Has it ever struck you that one common explanation for Jesus just doesn't work.

People say he was a great religious teacher. But profound teachers don't claim to be 'the great I am'.

On the other hand, reading the gospels, Jesus was extraordinarily humble. And only one person can, with humility, claim to be God.

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