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Jubilee celebrations in the past

AS we get ready to celebrate Her Majesty's 70 year reign how did Milborne celebrate the jubilees of the past? Local newspapers gave full details of how Dorset celebrated.

Queen Victoria celebrated her Golden Jubilee in June 1887. In Milborne they raised funds for the rehang of the bells in the church and purchasing an extra one. On the actual day they gave all the children a tea with amusements and all the labourers and their wives had a dinner in the evening.

Queen Victoria also celebrated her Diamond Jubilee in 1897. This time there was again a tea for the children and a dinner for adults followed by fireworks.

King George V celebrated his Silver Jubilee in May 1935. There was an outside church service followed by the distribution of jubilee mugs given to the children under 16. There were sports followed by tea for the children. In the evening a social event was held in the schoolroom commencing with listening to the King's speech on the wireless. This was followed by singing, dancing and games.

Linda Wright

Sing together for fun . . . and your health

AS people gain confidence in meeting socially or explore new interests, now is a great time to find your "inner diva" or enjoy singing songs you have loved over many years. "Sing Together" brings you a variety of different genres including musical theatre, popular songs from the 50s, 60s, 70s and 80s, traditional and folk; there is something for everyone, and your own suggestions are always welcome.

The value of singing together is immense, studies show that when people sing, certain chemicals are released by the brain which, in turn, can lower stress and anxiety levels, and boost our energy. Physically there are great benefits for our coordination, lung and vocal health, which in turn can increase our confidence and self-esteem as we aim to age gracefully.

Sing Together is led by Caroline and meets at the Blandford Rugby Club House (East Street) every Tuesday from 1.45–2.45pm. Donations for the session are invited (to cover costs) and you can expect a warm welcome and a jolly good sing song. There are also sessions at Dorchester Town Hall on a Monday at 10.30–11.30am (these sessions are £6 although carers in attendance are free).

Like some of our singers, you may have sung in groups before, but maybe, like others in our group, this could be your first experience of singing together.

For more details contact Caroline 07984 828642 or email creatingmusicalparticipation@gmail.com.

An elopement, mysterious deaths and a shooting!

AND you thought that this was a sleepy Dorset village!

Come and find out about the colourful past of Milborne St. Andrew from the pages of historic newspapers. Milborne local History Group meets on Wednesday 8th June 7.30pm at The Royal Oak.

Linda Wright

Wednesday Club Extraordinary General Meeting

TWENTY-ONE members met on Wednesday 3rd May to vote on the new Constitution, which was unanimously agreed. A new constitution was necessary due to the change of banking arrangements. We had banked with HSBC for some considerable time but now they wanted to charge us £5.00 per month and 40p per item. The committee thought that this was a little expensive and we looked into alternatives and thought that Santander was the best option. All we need to do now is to visit the Poole branch to complete the transfer. A big thank you to Harry and Jose Thomas and Jenny Balcon for all their hard work, researching and refining that went into this.

This was followed by games of bingo hosted admirably by Dave and Val Andrews.

We will not be holding a meeting in June as there are so many other activities going on for the Jubilee Celebrations.

In July, a picnic in Sheila Burton's garden is planned for Wednesday 6th July. Details will be circulated nearer the time.

Lis Watts

Village Hall News

WE held our AGM on the 27th April and were pleased to have our president Eric Chrichton chair the meeting. Two committee members, Sue Dawson and Jenny Balcon stood down. Some user groups still do not have representatives so do consider having someone on the committee. We were delighted that Sarah Ryan has agreed to be chairperson for another year.

Following a lottery grant the windows are now installed. Although there was a delay on the new doors hopefully by the time you read this they will be in place. Of course to go with the windows we have ordered new curtains which should also be up now.

The men's urinals have been replaced and the ceiling in the disabled loo repaired and decorated.

The hall is now dressed up for the jubilee. The "royal" inspired film will be *Mrs Brown* on Friday 3rd June with a royal quiz in the interval. The film will be free with an opportunity to purchase drink and/or ice cream.

Linda Wright

Longmead Community Farm Big Yard Sale

Saturday 18th June 10.00am until 4.00pm

WE'RE having a yard sale so please come along, have a cuppa and a slice of cake in our beautiful garden, and pick up a bargain. There will be clothes, linens, furniture, tools and bric-a-brac.

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Speed device installed on Milton Road

A SPEED indicating device (SID) has been installed on Milton Road to display the speed of vehicles approaching it, reminding drivers that the speed limit is 30mph. There are two locations on the road where the device has been approved to be used, one northbound, the other southbound, and it will be swapped regularly between the two. The Community Speedwatch group was behind the request for the device and with the support of the Parish Council, which funded the equipment and installation (a total of £4.5k), it is hoped that it will have a positive effect on vehicles' speed entering the village.



Platinum Jubilee celebration

Village Hall, Milborne St. Andrew

Friday 3rd June at 7.30pm

COME and start the Jubilee Celebrations with this lovely film, courtesy of the Village Hall (free admission but you pay for the bar) . . . enjoy Judi Dench and Billy Connolly 25 years younger than they are now. This is what the critics' site, Rotten Tomatoes, says: Thanks to top notch acting, the chemistry between its stars, and a witty, thoughtful script, *Mrs. Brown* delivers a nuanced and entertaining, if not entirely factual, account of a seldom explored historical relationship.



Platinum Jubilee Event

Free Admission

Friday June 3rd at 7.30pm

Doors and Bar at 7.00pm



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Unfortunately, due to lots of items being submitted after the current deadline, the cut-off for contributors to the Reporter is being brought forward to the 12th of each month.

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- Maintain a healthy weight.
- Build stronger bones and muscles.
- Boost your self-esteem and mood naturally.
- Enhance your social life and your feelings of connectedness to others.

The group works as some friends who walk together and invite others to join them. **We are inviting you!**

For more information, pick up a leaflet from the reception desk



MSA Community Café @ the Village Hall



Saturday 11th June
10.00am until Midday

Come along for bacon butties, coffee and cake or a soft drink whilst you read the paper and meet up with friends.

And whilst you are there why not buy a plant, rent a DVD or puzzle, or pick up a book.

WI May Meeting

At our meeting we voted in favour of our resolution going forward to our National AGM. This concerned more Government support for sufferers of ASD and ADHD.

The Book Club members have recently finished "A Single Thread" by Tracy Chevalier, and proclaimed it to be a delightfully well written novel, set in the 1930's around Winchester Cathedral. It is an easy read, with a 'good feel' factor.

Their next choice is "Less" by Andrew Sean Greer. This club is open to non-members.

Our Village Hall rep. drew attention to the new doors that have been fitted, and the Jubilee decorations inside and out.

The Skittles team are enjoying matches both home and away, with the season only just started. The score is equal at present having only played two matches.

Our speaker, Mr Gordon Le Pard told us about the items possibly found in "Miss Bennet's Basket", possibly mirror, face-powder, diary and pencil, comb, perfume and other items. The duties of single ladies of her time very often included caring for an elderly relative, and he told us many anecdotes. On display was a wonderful selection of artefacts of the time, including brooches, patches, (beauty spots) and so on.

He was warmly thanked on our behalf by Jose Thomas.

On 9th June our speaker is from the Swanage Railway, which will be open to everybody. Being WI, there will be cake!

See you there.

June Maitland



WI Annual Dinner at Ashley Wood Golf Club on 11th May

WI Programme for 2022-23

12th May	Miss Bennet's Basket	Gordon Lepard
9th June	Swanage Railway <i>open meeting</i>	Mike Walshaw
14th July	Zero Waste	Ellen Savva
8th September	Pastel Art Craft	Tracey Walder
13th October	Life & Times of Selfridges	Denis Carlton
10th November	Baltic Birding	Margaret Wellspring
8th December	Christmas Party	
12th January	Volunteer Coastal Watch	Bob Clark
9th February	Birthday Party Puppets	Andrew Brewer
9th March	Stunt Lady <i>open meeting</i>	Denis Edwards
13th April	AGM	

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The COVID-19 pandemic had a monumental impact on unpaid carers' lives – not only because of the increased amount of care that many provided, but because of the far-reaching effect that providing this level of care has had on unpaid carers. Many people also took on new caring responsibilities for their relatives and friends who are disabled, ill or older and who need support.

They need to be recognised for the difficulties they are experiencing, respected for all they are doing, provided with information, and given the support they need to care safely. So during Carers Week (6–12th June) in conjunction with Carers Support Dorset we are aiming to **make caring Visible, Valued and Supported**. For more information, advice and support contact our Carers Lead at the surgery, Kelly Best, and/or Carers Support Dorset on 0800 368 8349 www.carersupportdorset.co.uk

Health Champions

Our Health Champions are members of the community who voluntarily give their time to work alongside us to develop new ways to meet the health needs of our local community, offering local activities to promote health and mental wellbeing.

Activities on offer so far are:

- **Walking Group** on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.
- **Line Dancing** on a Monday afternoon at the Winterborne Whitechurch Village Hall.
- **Papercraft** on a Wednesday afternoon at Luccombe Hub.

For more information about the above activities please pick up a leaflet from Reception in the surgery, or go to our Health Champions page on the surgery website www.masurgery.co.uk.

There is also our **surgery allotment** group that meets on Thursday mornings which is open to patients who feel that they would benefit from some time outside with nature and a little company. If you would like to join our allotment group, please let Reception know and they will pass your details on to Kelly our Social Prescriber. Alternatively, please send an email to miltonabbassurgery@nhs.net for the attention of Kelly.

If you are interested in becoming a Health Champion with the surgery, please just let us know.

LiveWell Dorset

As we turn our thoughts to the sunny summer months, perhaps we are also thinking about our weight and those extra pounds we may be carrying. If you're overweight or obese, losing weight can reduce your risk of developing some serious health problems. It can give you confidence to get active too.

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Remember, you can always join and support the activities run by the surgery's health champions, mentioned above, to help you achieve your goals.

Gadgetry

By Jan Beaumont[©]

I'd always loved my kitchen
It's the place I liked to be
And each newfangled gadget
Would soon belong to me.

I had a pressure cooker
Which I really thought was great
But then we got the microwave
And could cook right on the plate!

It was so fast, but soon
A different gadget came to town
The crockpot or slow cooker
And the temperature went down.

The instant pot was next
And so of course I got that too
But I'm too scared to use it
So now what do I do?

The chopper and the slicer,
Which is called a mandolin,
Oh lord if you could only see
The state my pantry's in.

The food processor, blender
and the Nutribullet too
The favourite Kenwood mixer
Without which I just can't do.

I've started dehydrating
The food, that is, not me
I'm quite obsessed with drying things
My display you need to see!

The toasted sandwich maker
The gadget that makes pies
And one that makes those sausage rolls
But now, surprise surprise.

I'm into the air fryer
It makes such crunchy chips
Pizza, chicken tenders
And sadly larger hips!

I haven't used the oven
I've misplaced the frying pan
Everything I used to use
Is now an 'also-ran'.

I scour the supermarket now
For all that frozen stuff
Pub style onion rings are great
I just can't get enough.

I must admit it's crazy for
There's only me to feed
So somehow I must call it quits
As there's nothing else I need!



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LETTERS to the Reporter

The Sad Demise of The Village Lunch

We would like to say a Big Thank you to The Royal Oak and The Village Lunch Committee for all their hard work in putting on the monthly Village Lunch for so many years. The food has been delicious and it has been a wonderful opportunity for people in the village to eat and talk with friends.

THANK YOU to you all.

Ian & Lis

Hedgehog reports

Dear Editor,

I would like to record a note of thanks to all of the people who have reported hedgehog sightings to me since the last Reporter. This is very much appreciated. Despite my enthusiasm and use of a trail camera I have NOT been lucky enough to see a hedgehog or record one. BUT, we have had repeated lots of hedgehog poo at our feeding site, and the food has gone. Must be hedgehogs as I have made it catproof!

*Keep the records coming please to
pip.jackie@btinternet.com
Pip Howell*

Village History Group update

AT the last two meetings, a select group of history lovers found out interesting things about our village. In April we learned about 'Coffin Paths', like the one in our village, and about the early years of establishing the Milborne St. Andrew's Village Hall committee and the development of the hall building. This month we heard about the pubs, inns and beer houses that were in Milborne St. Andrew. We also looked at old documents associated with the Coronation, Silver Jubilee and other royal events as well as relevant memorabilia that members brought along. Many of these will be displayed in the Pavilion over the Jubilee Bank Holiday weekend. Do come and have a look at them.

Linda will be delivering a talk to the group in June – see page 3. There will be no meetings in July or August but will resume their monthly schedule of the second Wednesday in the month from September. We have speakers booked for October and November, more details will be shared nearer the time.

Remember, if you want to find out more about our village's history and hear about other local history information you are always welcome, no membership is necessary, come along and meet other like-minded people.

Pam Shults

St. Andrew's news

On the second Sunday of May, we hosted a combined communion service with members from All Saints, Dewlish. Following the service Sarah chaired an Annual Parish Church Meeting where reports were circulated and parishioners had the opportunity to comment or ask questions; Sarah gave her vicar's report verbally. Following the open meeting, the Parish Church Council members were elected. The good news for St. Andrew's is that Tony has agreed to be a churchwarden. I am delighted as I have been the only churchwarden for the last five years. I look forward to working alongside him.

As I write this article we are planning to arrange displays in church as part of our village's Jubilee celebrations. We plan to display notices to explain some of the church traditions such as why we use different coloured hangings, dressings, and so on, as well as information about some items of interest such as the tomb, the chandelier. Hopefully people will come up to church and will find the displays interesting.

We look forward to the meeting of the new curate, Maggie, when she arrives in the benefice. We are all eagerly awaiting her arrival at the beginning of June and look forward to working with her and Sarah. Meanwhile we will be continuing with the same service structures and rotas.

This year our churchyard has been full of wonderful spring flowers which means that in some places the grass was not cut or it would have destroyed the wildflowers. We are grateful for Paul and his colleague who tend our churchyard. If anyone wants to help to keep the areas tidy, we are always delighted when someone joins our monthly volunteer sessions. These are the first Saturday of the month at 10.00am for a couple of hours (weather permitting). If anyone is interested, do come along or give one of us a call to find out more. *Pam Shults and Tony Fox Churchwardens*

Dewlish Church Notes

OUR Spring Sale was a great success, raising £443.50 for church funds. A big thank-you to those who supported it, gave very generous donations – both money and things for the stalls – and to our loyal band of helpers. The cakes were absolutely delicious; many thanks to our skilful cooks!

Sadly, our Easter Service was quite poorly attended, compared to congregations in previous years. However, the church looked lovely, all thanks to our talented flower arrangers. Jim and I are hoping to keep the Easter Garden going until Sam and Guilia's wedding on 21st May.

On Sunday 5th June we are holding the **Queen's Platinum Jubilee Service** in the marquee at Sellers Field at 11.00am. This will be followed by a Bring-and-Share Picnic lunch.

Sellers Field is opposite School Lane on the Ansty Road. To find this, turn right at the crossroads onto the Melcombe Bingham road, and the venue is about 300 yards down the road on the left. We look forward to seeing you there!

This is one of our joint services with Milborne on that day. There is also a Pentecost Holy Communion at Milborne at 6.00pm.

Daphne Burg

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Wanted – new airstrip for Brian and his Eurofox

BRIAN KEENE took this stunning aerial photo that shows the progress of the Huntley Down development in May from his light aircraft. Brian has been taking to the skies from an airstrip on Bagber Farm for most of his flying career that has been entirely recreational. He says, "It's been such a joy to fly from Bagber", which he has done for the last 17 years. Over that time, he has owned several aircraft, but this red one being the latest which was delivered to him in March. "It's a Eurofox – and it's a real sweetie!", he says. However, come September he and his new aircraft will have to leave Bagber as the landowner has other uses for the airstrip and hangar. So, Brian is on the lookout for a new home for his Eurofox – can you help? He says, "It's incredibly difficult to find space in other airfields. Maybe there is another local farmer who could rent us a shed and about a 400m strip of grass." If you can help, please get in touch with Brian on bkeene999@icloud.com. *Ed Richards*



The mighty Quinfest family festival is back!!

FOR those of you that remember Quinfest 2019 then you need to save the date 9th July because Quinfest 2022 promises to be even bigger and better with loads of entertainment on offer for everyone.

The Quinfest 2022 festival will be held at the Sports Ground on the 8/9th July. A glamping village will be open from 3.00pm on Friday and includes a NAKED package along with Gold and Silver. To avoid any confusion or blushes on the day, the NAKED package is in fact a bare tent option, whether the Gold package includes a personal butler is not known at this stage!

As a special offer to the local residents of Milborne there are 100 Saturday day tickets reduced by 25% available using the discount code MSA25. Please book these online via the website www.quinfest.co.uk.

In addition, **children under 12 go free!**

If you don't know already Quinfest is a family-friendly charity festival and is dedicated to our beautiful Amy Quin who was diagnosed with a brain tumour in 2016.

Amy's diagnosis had changed her life in a positive way – she said yes to more things; embraced every opportunity and made the most of her precious time.

The money raised at Quinfest 2019 went to providing aid for brain tumour support.

Quinfest 2022 is dedicated to Amy who lost her battle to a brain tumour aged 36 young just 4 and a half years after her



diagnosis. This time the money raised will be shared between the Sandbanks ward at Poole Hospital creating a garden space outside, Marie Curie and Forest Holme Palliative.

Quinfest rocks the Pavilion

The outside festival stage is back and the spectacular line-up of performing artists includes Downside Up; The Haze; Nick Capaldi; Matt Black; Helena Mace; with the Performing Arts Theatre Academy and many more varied acts to come on the day.

Food and drink outlets, bar, ice cream – children's entertainment and local DJ's together with a whole host of other fun activities will be available to make this a fantastic day out for all the family.

Amy lived in Dorset and loved live music and dancing and she has left behind her parents, her son Hector, sisters, partner, friends and family, and we all miss her deeply, However . . .

Quinfest will be her legacy and this is the perfect way to remember our fun-loving Amy. We hope you all can enjoy the day, unfortunately, she will not be here to enjoy it this time but I am sure she will be dancing her socks off 'upstairs'.

Come and enjoy the day and if anyone would like a stall or would like to volunteer and make a difference before, during or after the event then please make call to Laurie on 07885 327158 or visit the "contact-us" page on www.quinfest.co.uk and make that difference.

MSA Gardening Club – Annual Plant Sale



ON Saturday 14th May, gardening club members held their first plant sale for three years. As you can see from the photos it was a great success with lots of plants, lots of people and lots of cake! £476 was raised for the club which is amazing! Many thanks to all of you who came along to support us and we hope you will enjoy the plants that you bought from us at knock-down prices

Mark Johnson



Milborne St. Andrew Gardening Club – Kingston Lacy

ON Thursday 16th June, we will meet to learn from a member of the Kingston Lacy team, about the restoration of the Japanese garden at the National Trust property near Wimborne. Non-members are especially welcome. We meet in the village hall at 7.30pm and light refreshments will be served, so do come along.

Mark Johnson





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SCHOOL NEWS



PLANTING fruit trees with Raccoons and Rabbits and some very hard working mum helpers. We are officially Young Tree Champions, a Force For Nature! We look forward to seeing Hope Orchard grow over the years - something to feel really proud of!

We The Curious - Bristol Science Museum; a day of discovery and wonder for the Raccoons Class! Inspiring scientists of the future.

Race For Hunger - The whole school came outside together to race around the school field, cheering each other on and enjoying pushing themselves. We raised a grand total of over £130, putting Milborne St. Andrew First School in the top six schools to fundraise for the event! Well done and thank you everyone!

Last week we were lucky enough to have our playground rejuvenated and then new markings done. We would like to thank our neighbours for their patience whilst this was being done. The children are now able to enjoy their new games!



CONTACTS

If you require any information about the school, including admission details, or would like to arrange a visit please contact the school office

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Ladybirds enjoying being outdoors

THIS month the children have enjoyed being outside – in our little outside area at the hall and our Thursday woodland sessions.

At the hall we have been busy making a fairy house to go into the meadow area for the Jubilee. The beans and peas we planted grew well and the children have helped clear a small piece of ground under the fencing to plant them out. The younger child in the photo was particularly involved, running over as soon as the adult started to dig “I help you” he said. He pulled the grass clump up and shook off the soil; dug a hole; placed the plant in it and firmed it down before watering it. Hopefully the plants will go on to produce some veg for us to try.

Our first week in the woods was rather cold but since then the weather has been good and the children have certainly made themselves at home. The children love the big hole – rolling down

and climbing back up to their house under the rhododendron bush. They devised ways of helping others and retrieving items from the bottom of the hole using long sticks without help from adults. This is what forest school is all about – learning to work together and problem solve, alongside communication and physical activity. We are so lucky that The Woodland School – Dorset have allowed us into their beautiful woods. There is, of course, time to relax and take a break. Even better when your friends are happy to push you in the hammock.

We are almost halfway through the last school term and are making plans for the school year 2022/23 starting September. We already have several children due to start then so if your child wants to join us please get in touch to reserve a place.

Liz Dyer



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Kevin's big jump for Dorset Air Ambulance

There are many different ways to celebrate or mark a significant birthday, but Kevin Cox, from Swiss Cottage on Dorchester Hill, wanted an unforgettable experience for his 70th birthday. But what should it be for someone who is a little bit scared of heights? Jump out of a plane at 15,000 feet? That should do the trick! Kevin tells us why he decided to throw himself forward for a tandem skydive, in aid of a charity close to his heart.



talking and asking me questions so he knew that I would be ok. Apparently, it's not uncommon for people to arrive at this point then refuse to jump. The plane door opens and the first people shuffle to the door. I was to be out third. I then had to hang though the open door, legs dangling with the instructor holding onto the

"About a year ago I thought it was time to decide on something special for my forthcoming 70th birthday. The first thing, of course, was to arrange a party. The next thing was to find an activity which I would never forget or possibly do again. I also wanted to raise money for the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance (DSAA) – my eldest son works there as an advanced clinical nurse. I hear about some of the calls that he is involved with and the pressure all the team are under to save lives. You may have heard of one of the calls recently when a 15-year-old schoolgirl was run over by a bus in Corfe Mullen. Without their fast response, her injuries would have been a lot worse and she was flown to Southampton hospital. She thankfully is now recovering at home. The air ambulance relies totally on funding from the general public as the government do not contribute, sadly.

The tandem skydive was booked for the 25th April at Old Sarum airfield with Go Skydive. It came around very quickly and my nerves started to gain momentum. I arrived at 8.00am and had to register, signing all the disclaimers as you'd expect. Then, after a 30-minute wait, I was called to attend a video about the flight. Then more paperwork to read and sign and then another half hour wait. This was to match the weights of the jumpers with the instructors and to see how many people were jumping at the various heights.

There was then brief training on what would happen and the signals the instructor would give me when we are in freefall and so on. We were then hung from straps to make sure we could raise our legs on landing. This is the most dangerous part of the jump as your legs – and the instructors – can be broken or worse.

All the straps were adjusted, safety gear such as goggles and gloves provided – but no helmet (which I thought was strange!). We were then escorted to a holding area near the plane and introduced to the instructor. This was two hours after I had arrived so you can imagine how my nerves were at this stage. We then went to the plane and shuffled down two benches – there were eight of us jumping and eight instructors on board and a pilot (that always helps!).

The plane took off and we reached the required height. The skies were clear now and the views over Salisbury were amazing. The instructor then attached himself to me and kept

plane. Then, with no warning, he pushes off, and it all starts to happen – we are now both in freefall! This part only lasts about thirty seconds at 125mph, but it seems like a lifetime of no control. He then gives me instructions by tapping on my shoulder; to wave, look happy, and thumbs up. Plus, to keep my hands on the two straps ready for the chute to come out. Which it did – we went up in the air and everything slowed down. I was so relieved to feel that! The noise then dropped a tad and we could talk to each other. He wanted to do a few tricks with the chute to make it a more exciting trip down – at this point I was wondering, 'Why, oh why I have I put myself in this position?!'

We then circled the landing area waiting for our time to descend. The landing was very smooth and I did keep my legs up in the air as much as I could. He unstrapped himself and I stayed on the ground a bit longer to help my brain adjust. Then I went back to take off all the gear and pick up the all-important certificate as proof! After thanking my instructor on keeping me alive, I was so relieved I had overcome my worst fears of freefall flight. Full compliments to Go Skydive – it is a very good organisation and everyone there seems to enjoy their jobs.

So far, I have raised about 85% of the target for the charity which is amazing. If you are able to help this brilliant organisation, please donate via 'Just Giving' and search 'Kevin Cox tandem skydive jump' or this link will take you to my page: www.tinyurl.com/2p87j9vc. Or drop a cheque into my letterbox or cash when you see me. Many thanks and good luck if you ever fancy a totally mad experience!"

Kevin Cox



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A Platinum Jubilee

Six months before her coronation, Queen Elizabeth II uttered these words: "I pray that God may give me wisdom and strength to carry out the solemn promises I shall be making, and that I may faithfully serve him and you, all the days of my life."

Seventy years later, although frailty and age have recently made this more difficult, our Queen continues to serve God and her people to the best of her ability. She has seen governments and politicians come and go. The United Kingdom has had good times and harder ones. In all the vagaries of life, she has remained a calm and steady presence at the head of our nation.

She has faced her own challenges personally and others related to members of her family, but throughout all this she has remained – at least in public – dignified and stately.

In many ways, the life of the Queen is far removed from that of the majority of her subjects. She has wealth way beyond what most of us will ever know and is protected from many of the hardships of life. But wealth and power cannot shield anyone from the devastating effects of bereavement, family breakdowns, watching one's children make mistakes and so on.

From the beginning of her reign 70 years ago to the present day, she has always made it clear that her faith has been important and the foundation on which she has built her life. She often talks about it in her annual Christmas message to the nations, for instance, this is what she said in 2002, as she reflected on her Golden Jubilee: "I know just how much I rely on my own faith to guide me through the good times and the bad. Each day is a new beginning, I know that the only way to live my life is to try to do what is right, to take the long view, to give of my best in all that the day brings, and to put my trust in God." And more recently in 2020: "The teachings of Christ have served as my inner light, as has the sense of purpose we can find in coming together to worship."

It is right and proper that the Supreme Governor of the Church of England expresses her faith in her words, deeds and way of life. But our Queen has always been supportive of those of other faith and of no faith at all.

Many villages, towns and cities will be celebrating the Platinum Jubilee this month. As we join in with the parties, picnics, festivities and enjoyment, in person or through our television screens, let us pray for our Queen, giving thanks for her example of faith, commitment and service to our nation for the past 70 years.

With best wishes

Sarah

Services in the Benefice of Puddletown, Tolpuddle, Milborne and Dewlish June 2022

5th June – Pentecost/HM The Queen Platinum Jubilee

9.30am	Pentecost Holy Communion	Tolpuddle
11.00	Platinum Jubilee service	Dewlish Marquee
2.00pm	Platinum Jubilee Service in the gardens of Ilsington House	Puddletown
6.00	Pentecost Holy Communion	Milborne

12th June – Trinity

9.30am	Parish Communion	Milborne
11.00	Puddletown Praise	Puddletown
11.00	Parish Communion	Dewlish
5.30pm	Sunday Reflections	Tolpuddle

19th June – Trinity 1

9.30am	Parish Communion	Tolpuddle
9.30	Worship in Stillness	Milborne
11.00	Parish Communion	Puddletown
11.00	Family Service	Dewlish

26th June – Trinity 2

9.30am	Parish Communion	Milborne
10.00	Go Fourth	Tolpuddle
11.00	1662 Morning Prayer (traditional language)	Puddletown
11.00am	Parish Communion	Dewlish
3.00pm	Holy Baptism	Puddletown

MORNING PRAYERS

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Jo's marathon Moonwalk



ON Saturday 14th May at 11.15pm Jo Lovett joined seven and a half thousand women and about 100 men in decorated bras and started The Moonwalk, an overnight walking marathon, raising funds for breast cancer causes. Jo walked as a part of team Naggle to tackle the Moonwalk, which has been going for 25 years.. "Naggle" is a made up word meaning for a collective of nieces, as she walked with her aunt, sister, cousin and her second cousin.



The route took them past many of London's landmarks some of which were lit up pink in support of their efforts. Crossing the line 26.2 miles and eight and a half hours later she was pleased to say that she had raised just over £1,000.

It is her biggest charity fundraiser to date and also one of the hardest things she have ever done!! She says she can't thank the village enough for all the donations and also Team Naggle and her personal trainer Mark for all the support.

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MSA Food and Wine Club visits Brace of Pheasants, Plush

AFTER a false start to the year's events and a cancelled AGM due to Covid, the Milborne St. Andrew Food and Wine Club finally got out for some food and wine; and beer and soft drinks.



We had a fabulous Sunday lunch at the Brace of Pheasants in Plush.

Many of the members had not been before. It has gone through a number of owners with varying rates of success over the past few years. Last November it was taken over by Matt and Shannon Gernetzky who have really put the Brace of Pheasants back on the map.

There was an incredibly warm welcome from the team for our party of 30. The atmosphere was cosy and comfortable. There was a great selection of wines and perfectly kept beers direct from the cask. Conversations quickly started up as friendships were renewed. We were all set for a great lunch which was soon served. I have to say the quality of the food was fabulous. The service was excellent; getting 30 meals out in quick order is no mean feat.



Last week the Brace of Pheasants held a South African wines and food tasting which was sold out. Sadly we didn't get to that one but Matt is thinking about organising a Dorset Sparkling Wines tasting at some point in the not too distant future. I asked him to keep me informed. I think that could be another winner for the MSA Food and Wine Club.

We're a very friendly bunch, if you'd like some information about the MSA Food and Wine Club contact me, Steve O'Neill, at MSA.FoodandWineClub@gmail.com or give me a call on 07490 691121. Cheers.

Steve (Chairman)

Busy night as PS looks to year ahead

THE Annual Village Meeting is an open meeting for parishioners to speak to councillors on ideas they would like to see in the community that are within the power of the Parish Council (PC) for the forthcoming year.

The meeting started with Clerk Lewin clarifying the role of the PC. The PC:

- represents the electorate;
- acts as a facilitator, on behalf of the parishioners, of questions that are presented to Cllr Parker at Dorset Council;
- has no powers on Dorset Council matters, the environment agency and areas of land not owned by the PC.

There are nine meetings a year that are open to the public, which are advertised a week in advance. The PC are governed by law and there are things they have to do at certain times - and the Annual Village Meeting is one of those, and has to be held every year.

Update from Chairman McNair

- May 2021 to April 2022 was a very busy year. There was good participation at the village litter pick when about 13 big sacks of litter were collected from the local area. A new bin has been placed on the Dewlish Road, which has reduced the amount of litter from people out walking, as well as dog fouling, at that end of the village.
- Upgraded benches in open spaces, which were also contributed by members of the public. Also contributed to benches at the village hall and the sports club.
- Continued with the multi year grass cutting contract, and positive feedback has been received from the villagers that the village is looking better.
- Continued to support the Community Speed Watch programme. The Speed Indicating Device (SID) was installed in the village on 4th May (the day of the meeting) - and is working. It is hoped that this will reduce the speeding problem on Milton Road.
- Looking forward to 2022/2023 the main projects:
 - ◊ Huntley Down development will trigger elements of section 106 funding. The plan is to use some of that money to deliver the traffic calming elements of the Neighbourhood Plan.
 - ◊ Improving accessibility to footpaths around the village where there are stiles - stiles cause barriers, especially for the elderly, those with children in buggies, or if you are walking a dog that struggles with stiles;

Jubilee Jamboree update was given by Cllr Stephens

- **Thursday** there will be a themed night at The Royal Oak.
- **Friday** there will be a film at the Village Hall, which will be free for parishioners.
- **Saturday** parishioners will meet at the Village Hall and there will be a procession to the sports field - with scarecrows and in fancy dress. There will be events at the sports ground. People should bring their own picnics and drinks to the sports ground.
- **Saturday evening** there will be a celebration at the sports ground with a band paid for by Wyatt Homes. During their break there will be open mic - contact Cllr Stephens on 07282 650104 to sign up.
- **Sunday** parishioners are being encouraged to do their own street parties. There will be a church service in Dewlish in the morning. The evening service at 6.00pm will be in Milborne St. Andrew.

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- **Gardening Club** have arranged a container competition.
- **The Players** will judge a scarecrow competition

Items for discussion from Parishioners

Sports Club representative Mr Lock, speaking on behalf of all trustees, would like the PC to adopt a more proactive supporting role towards the Sports Club. One way of doing this would be a joint working group venture to deliver the priority policy issues embedded within the Neighbourhood Plan. PC requested Mr Lock email the PC and the Village Hall.

Question to the PC regarding the 12.5% increase of the precept this year. The last two years there was a decrease and prior to that it was an increase of 6.7%. Response from the council:

- Inflation is a big driver, and the increase of costs of the grass cutting contract is one example of that.
- This year the PC has been more active with items for the community.
- The Clerk's responsibilities had increased and so the role went through the job appraisal process which resulted in the Clerk being due more points, and a pay increase.

The response to a question about the PC's attitude towards increased taxation was that historically PCs have increased precept by a percentage, which is the wrong thing to do. Precept should be based on the anticipated expenditure for the year. Milborne PC review planned expenditure, and an increase/decrease will be based on that planning. This explains the reasons why it has gone down in previous years as there was less money planned to be spent. The Milborne St. Andrew precept is considerably lower than other local PC precepts. The PC stated that they look for best value for money and hold people accountable for contract obligations.

There was discussion about the policy statements in the Neighbourhood Plan and whether the PC should work these up into workable projects. The policy statements are made up from aspirations about what the villagers want and it was felt that the PC should take the lead. PC said it was up to the community to come up with projects, and not for councillors.. If a parishioner has a suggestion for a project, please contact the PC with proposals and costings so that it can be discussed.

Some projects that have been identified from the neighbourhood plan are:

- **The Community Land Trust** – the PC has gone out to the villages on three occasions but have not had volunteers come forward. This is still on the plan but need volunteers to help with this as the PC cannot do it on their own;
- **Traffic management** will be progressed as a priority with funds from section 106 Huntley Down development;
- **Conservation Area project** that is being actively pursued will come to fruition in 2022.

Parishioners should note that the village Facebook group is not the right place for communication with the PC. Facebook is more like a noticeboard – use it for an opinion, to advertise what is going on in the community. Councillors will not respond on behalf of the PC on Facebook.

Any member of the community that has something that they would like to raise with the PC should either:

- come along to the monthly PC meetings – everyone is welcome and there is an opportunity to share ideas, or
- contact the councillors directly. Details of the members of the PC can be found on the PC website www.milbornestandrew-pc.org.uk and click Who's Who in the menu. Email Clerk Lewin on milbornestandrew@dorset-aptc.gov.uk.

Full council meeting

The litter pick followed a similar process to the one in autumn last year. We picked up considerably less rubbish than last time. There was good support and help from Scouts and local people. There was some fly tipping cleared from Milton Road. Will plan to do it again September/October time.

There were concerns over the ploughed field behind Homefield. Cllr Redding had recently spoken to the farmer about why it was done which was that the ground was getting "sheep sick". It has been sown with late spring barley, and will be cultivated from now on until the ground recovers and is suitable for grazing once again.

Dorset Councillors report

- The full council meeting was disrupted by two protesters who, after an opposition motion had been fully debated and defeated on climate change glued themselves to the front desk in the chamber.
- Tour of Britain stage seven will come to Dorset on 10th September. The start and finish locations will be West Bay and Ferndown respectively
- 96% of parents and carers were offered their first choice of school, which is above the national average.
- Parishioners are asked to use the least impactful NHS service, and consider using NHS 111.

Planning matters:

Search and comment on planning application at www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/planning-buildings-land/planning/planning-application-search-and-comment.

- P/HOU/2022/01855 Garden Cottage Chapel Street Milborne St. Andrew Dorset DT11 OJP. Create new vehicular access, parking and turning facilities (demolish part of existing boundary wall).
 - ◇ Decision to oppose the application on the grounds of pedestrian safety, detriment to loss of the wall, and concern of the impact on the stream.
- P/FUL/2022/01904 Longmead Farmhouse Longmead and Longmead Cottages – Access Road, Milborne St. Andrew, Blandford Forum, DT11 0HU Replacement biomass boiler and pellet hopper installed in existing building. Windhager BioWIN Excel pellet boiler – auto feed 60kW MES immersion temperature sensors 25m coil pellet suction hose Pellet hopper – sheet steel 2 x 3 x 2.2m – 7.2 Tonne Associated boiler flue (Ratification)
 - ◇ Decision to support the application.
- P/HOU/2022/02132 Home Farm Chapel Street Milborne St. Andrew DT11 OJP. Replace part of thatched roof with reclaimed double Roman terracotta roofing tiles
 - ◇ Decision to support the application.

Tree for the Jubilee – Queen's Green Canopy

Proposed location for the tree is on Milton Road/Hopsfield. All residents close by have been consulted and all were in agreement of the location. Will be looking to plant a native cherry tree.

Once planted it will be added to a map where people can come and visit. Suggested date for planting is 10th September – everyone is invited.

Neighbourhood Plan

Consultation documents are in the final stages – will be rolled over to next Council meeting.

Please come along to the next Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 1st June at 7.00pm at the Village Hall. It is open for members of the public and press to attend, and it would be lovely to see more parishioners in attendance. *Jo Whitfield*



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Programme for the Milborne Jubilee Jamboree

Thursday 2nd June

- **Great British all you can eat evening** at The Royal Oak – Call 01258 837248 to book.

Friday 3rd June –

- **Filled Planter Competition** – run by The Gardening Club.
- **Fairie Village opening** at the Village Hall's top field at 2.00pm.
- **'Mrs. Brown' film** showing at the Village Hall, free admission. Refreshments available at the bar with a half time Royal Quiz!

Saturday 4th June

- **Scarecrow Competition** run by The Players. Bring the 'regally inspired' scarecrows to the Village Hall at 11.30am for the procession to the Sports Pavilion.
- **Sports Day** at The Sports Pavilion will take place from midday. Bacon butties and soft drinks will be available from the Village Hall from 10.30am. Procession to The Pavilion will start at 11.30am with scarecrows and in fancy dress.
- **The Party at The Pavilion** kicks off 7.00pm with the band The Few. Open mic session from around 8–9pm with a skit from The Players. Contact Amy on 07282650104 to sign up. The pizza van will be available for hot food early evening. There will not be a bar so bring your own drinks.

Sunday 5th June

- **Queen's Jubilee Church Service** – takes place at Dewlish Marquee at 11.00am on Sunday 5th June for Milborne parishioners to attend
- **Street parties** – Community driven street parties are encouraged in line with national celebrations.

What's on in Milborne

JUNE

Wednesday 1st

Parish Council Village Hall, all parishioners welcome 7.00pm

Thursday 2nd

Great British Banquet The Royal Oak

Friday 3rd

Her Majesty Mrs Brown Village Hall 7.30pm

Saturday 4th

St. Andrew's Churchyard working party from 10.00am. Everyone welcome.

Sunday 5th

Queen's Jubilee Church Service Dewlish Marquee 11.00am.

Wednesday 8th

History Group The Royal Oak Function Room 7.30pm

Thursday 9th

WI speaker from The Swanage Railway Village Hall 7.30pm. *Open to everyone.*

Thursday 9th

Bridge The Royal Oak 7.00pm.

Saturday 11th

Community Café Village Hall 10.00–12 noon.

Sunday 12th

Mid-day deadline for copy for the *Reporter* msa.reporter@yahoo.co.uk or give to a member of the team.

Thursday 16th

Bridge The Royal Oak 7.00pm.

Thursday 16th

Gardening Club Village Hall 7.30pm. Visitors and new members welcome.

Saturday 18th

Longmead Community Farm Big Yard Sale 10.00am until 4.00pm

Sunday 19th

Songs for a Summer Afternoon St. Andrew's church 3.00pm – see page 5.

Wednesday 22nd

Bridge The Royal Oak 7.00pm.

Thursday 30th

Pie Night The Royal Oak.

Regular Bookings at the Village Hall

Ladybirds Playgroup Monday–Friday 8.30am.

Players Monday 7.00pm weekly.

Line Dancing Tuesday 7.30pm weekly.

Wednesday Club 2.00pm 1st Wednesday monthly.

Yoga Thursday 3.30pm weekly.

Karate Thursday 5.10pm weekly.

Women's Institute 7.30pm 2nd Thursday monthly.

Gardening Club 7.30pm 3rd Thursday monthly.

Artsreach Events – look out for the posters.

Check the Village Hall Notice Board for any other events that are one off for you to join in with.

Regular Bookings at the Sports & Social Club

Busy Bees Under 5 Group from 9.30–11.30am on Thursday term time only. Contact Claire Tudge on 07970 734162.

Yoga (Mellulah) Thursday (evening): Friday (mornings).

Beavers Friday 5.00–6.30pm.

Football Saturdays and Sunday.

Private parties, birthdays, wedding receptions check online calendar.

Check the Sports & Social online calendar on the village website for any other events you might be able to join in with.

Regular Bookings at the First School

Pilates Monday 6.30–7.30pm (term time only).

Yoga Tuesday 6.15–7.45pm (term time only).

Badminton Wednesday 6.30–7.30pm (term time only).

Anyone for bridge?

THE MSA Bridge Group, now entering its eighth year, continues to meet in The Royal Oak in Milborne St. Andrew on a weekly basis. The pub has recently changed its routine and the Theme Nites that have recently been staged on the 2nd Thursday of the month are currently on hold with the next one anticipated in July. However, Pie Nites on the last Thursday of each month are continuing. Some of our members cannot play on Wednesdays and some cannot play on Thursdays so we will continue to alternate. In addition, the forthcoming Platinum Jubilee will also have to be considered so the meetings in June will be on Thursdays 9th and 16th June followed by Wednesday 22nd and then Thursday 30th. All will start at 7.00pm.

The aim of the group is to provide an opportunity to learn and improve your playing skills in a social and 'blame free' environment. For anyone who has never played before instruction will be provided along with a simple two-page 'crib' sheet. We have recently welcomed two new members who are starting to play bridge for the first time and are enjoying the unpressured way of learning and improving their game. There is no charge for joining or playing.

If you would like to try something new or to improve your playing skills by regular practice and would like more information please contact me, Laurie Benn, on 01258 837720 or by email at laurie@benn.me.uk. If you feel that evening meetings are not convenient, please get back to me and it may be possible to arrange other times.

I look forward to hearing from you.

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Dorset Councillor	Emma Parker	07411 149997
Parish Council – Dewlish	Clerk:	
	Chair: Andrew Booth	01258 837284
Parish Council –	Clerk: Wayne Lewin	07419 136735
Milborne St. Andrew	Chair: Richard Macnair	07774 081551

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South West Highways hello@swhitd.co.uk 01404 821500

Wessex Water Sewerage Floodline 03458 505959

MSA Flood Warden, Non-Emergency Only: Mark Johnson 01258 839060

GENERAL — ADULT

Moonlight Swing Band	Gillian Pink	01305 260731
M.A. Neighbourcar	Nigel Hodder	01258 470333
Wednesday Social Club	Sheila Burton	01258 839033
Women's Institute	Lesley Clarke	01929 471732

GENERAL — YOUTH

Scouts/Beavers	Sam Elliott	07873 762035
Busy Bees	Claire Tudge	07970 734162
Milborne Ladybirds	Liz Dyer	01258 839117

POLICE

Police – Non-emergency contact		101
Community Beat Officer	PC Dave Mullins	101
Safer Neighbourhood Team	PC Dave Mullins and PCSO Luke Goddard	101

SCHOOL

Milborne First School		
Headteacher:	Sharon Staddon	01258 837362
Chair Governors:	David French	
Friends of School co-Chair:	Marie Chappell	

SPECIAL INTEREST

Bellringers	Pip Howell	01258 837329
Bridge Group	Laurie Benn	01258 837720
Cribbage	Peter Anthony	01258 837089
Dog Training Behaviour	Natasja Lewis	07896 275357
Food and Wine Club	Steve O'Neill	07490 691121
MSA Allotment Society	Joy Robinson	01258 837661
MSA Gardening Club	Sally Dyer	01258 837061
Milborne Players	Gren Davis	07876 793319
Round Robin Ramblers	Ian Bromilow	01258 880044
Village History Group	Pam Shults	01258 837203

SPORT

Hardy Country Bowmen	Mike Healy	01300 342134
Badminton	Bruce Dyer	01258 839117
Circuit training	Grace Martin	01305 213885
Cricket – Dewlish	Elaine Kellaway	01258 837696

Pilates (school)	Claire Barratt	07703 648869
Football – Veterans	Paul David	07841 506839
Skittles – Dewlish	Simon Ross	01258 837606
Sports & Social Club	Chairman: Richard Lock	01258 837929
	Bookings: Richard Lock	01258 837929
Tap Dancing for Adults	Kevin Selby	01305 250386
Tennis	Rich Hawker	07393 309037
Yoga (at school)	Sue Chapman	01305 848053
Yoga (at Sports & Social Club)	Saira Francis	01258 880505
Yoga (at Village Hall)	Angela Johnson	01258 839060

VILLAGE HALL

Dewlish		
Chair:		
Booking Secretary:	Margaret Groves	01258 837617
Milborne St. Andrew		
Chairman:	Sarah Ryan	01258 839230
Booking Secretary:	Alison Riddle	01258 837148

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