

# The Painswick Beacon

Sine praeiudicio

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## Buster barks up the right tree!

On Friday 15th August, a burglary in Pincot Lane was foiled and the four burglars caught thanks to the combined efforts of three Painswickians, two police cars, one police helicopter... and a police dog called Buster.

The story starts with Rosemary Sanderson returning to her home in Pincot Lane with her son, Rory, at 3.45pm to find a grey car just outside her drive with a young man at the wheel on his mobile phone. As she turned into the drive she met three more young men running towards her, their arms laden with laptops and bags.

"They ran for the hedge as I madly reversed back to find myself just behind the grey car. The three young men jumped in and the car accelerated away. I yelled to Rory to get my mobile phone and take down the registration number as I set off in hot pursuit!"

Or as hot a pursuit as is possible in her little red Fiat Seicento!

At the bottom corner of Pincot Lane, the grey car crashed over the fence and stopped with its wheels dangling over the edge of the stream. The four young men leaped out and ran off across country towards Painswick.



At this point, Rosemary tried to dial 999 to call the police, but – of course – there was no signal, so she sounded her horn and managed to attract the attention of two builders working on the roof of a neighbouring house, who had seen the burglars throw a laptop in the garden of Weavers Mill.

She then ran up the lane to get a signal and phoned the police.

"Within minutes a police car had arrived and then the place went crazy. The police had been changing shifts, so the old and new shift all came out, along with a police dog handler, who was nearby. And the police helicopter!"

We pick up the story again just after 4.00pm at Sheepehouse Cottage in Stepping Stone Lane, where Jackie Herbert surprised – and was surprised by – four young men clambering through the hedge into her garden.

"They looked very muddy, very exhausted and clearly very lost," said Jackie, who thought they might simply be ramblers who had rambled a bit off course. When she directed them through the gate onto Steppingstone Lane, she saw they were acting decidedly suspiciously, ducking down behind the hedge to avoid being seen, before making a run for it. One of them ran straight into the path

of a police car and was promptly arrested. The other three struck out again across country and even with the police helicopter circling above, it looked like they might have succeeded in avoiding being spotted.

But then... enter Buster, the police dog! A quick sniff at their point of entry into the garden of Sheepehouse Cottage and he was off, handler, PC Philip Powles, in tow. Within half an hour, the three young burglars had been discovered hiding from the helicopter under a tree and the arrest was made.

"The police were terrific," said Jackie, "particularly Buster!"

Meanwhile back at Pincot Lane, the neighbours had swung into action and were looking after Rosemary's house and supplying her and Rory with cups of strong, sweet tea. Rosemary admits that she and Rory were just a little shaky! The police eventually came back, took

statements and fingerprinted the house and by 9.00 pm, the drama was over. "We got all the stolen items back except for my digital camera, Rory's mobile phone and his ipod", she says, "If you're walking in the fields, they may be in a hedge somewhere!"

And Gloucestershire Police have confirmed that four young men, all from Gloucester, were arrested and charged in connection with a burglary in Pincot Lane. Three of them later pleaded guilty and were convicted at Stroud Magistrates Court and were referred to the Crown Court for sentencing. The case against the fourth man, who was also charged with driving without insurance, was held over for procedural reasons. All have been remanded in custody.

JRB

## Patchwork Mouse re-opens

The Patchwork Mouse in New Street, which closed in February whilst owner Dawn Mallinson went into hospital for some complicated 'bionic' surgery, is now open again. This is a unique and enchanting little shop, chockfull of delightful gifts, curios and cards, from the beautiful to the positively weird, much of it marked down in a half price sale to celebrate the re-opening. Opening hours have changed slightly and are now Tuesday to Friday inclusive. *Full story on page 11.*

## JOB-OPS for jobs

Responding to an original request from Susie Oakley from Richmond Village, the Beacon is starting a new classified advert column, 'JOB-OPS', to promote employment opportunities in Painswick.

Modelled on the successful MINI-ADS format, JOB-OPS is open to all Painswick based employers and costs £5.00 for a 30 word insertion. *Further details on page 19.*

**On other pages this month:** From A to B, time ticks on for Gateway, not resigned to Richmond, hot air over Painswick, a Russian enigma, a Painswick pastoreale, a relaxing classic, getting fired up to join, coffee on Saturday for Friday, some sweet smelling ladies', relaying Edgehogs, a slimmer Susie, a blooming Painswick, scrubbing up the Beacon, Queen Vic at Richmond, 1907 bar prices at the Centre, dancing teas and some inconsequential trivia....

As is the norm for August, there was no Parish Council meeting last month and, hence, no report.



## A46 - to 'B' or not to 'B'?

As mentioned last month, the public meeting is being held at Painswick Town Hall on Thursday 25th September at 7.30 pm and our local MP, David Drew, is keen to attend. We are now pleased to confirm that as well as Cllrs Stan Waddington and Joan Nash, Lawrence Elocoks from GCC Highways Department and Jeremy Callard of Atkins Transport Planning and Management will also be attending.

The Newsletter sent to Parish Councils in July mentioned consultation meetings to be held in August. We hope to hear about the results of these at our meeting in Painswick.

There is a Cotswolds Freight Management Strategy which when implemented will go a long way to meeting the aims of the petition, (signed by over 700 people in and around Painswick). The plan should reduce HGV traffic

through Painswick and Edge by 30 to 40% and impose weight restrictions without redesignating the A46. To be informed about this plan and so have questions ready for the meeting, please read the consultant's July Newsletter or their latest Information Sheet, both of which can be down loaded from the Beacon website: [www.painswickbeacon.org.uk](http://www.painswickbeacon.org.uk).

So come along to the meeting on the 25th with your views and questions about the use of our roads by HGVs. This will be the time to ask your questions and, we hope, get some answers. If you cannot attend and have questions or want to comment, write to Jeremy Callard, Atkins Transport Planning and Management, 260 Aztec West, Almondsbury, Bristol BS32 4SY.

Ann and Charles Dorman



## Tick, tock, tick, tock – time goes by...

In an ideal world we would be announcing the successful outcome of many negotiations and news of the next steps of Painswick Gateway. However, many of you will have noticed that the world is far from ideal and negotiations have a habit of stretching beyond time and space. What we can report is that the trustees have been very busy and have passed various balls to our partners in play and await their return. We are sure that all interested in Gateway, particularly those pledged to support Gateway will be pleased to hear that

- an agreed revised Memorandum and Articles have been updated and registered with Company House 6272803
- these, together with an agreed constitution for a Community Association are also now registered with the Charity Commissioners 1125615
- an understanding has been reached with officers of the County Library service which has now been referred to their solicitor
- consequential upon that understanding an agreement to purchase the freehold of the library premises is in the hands of the County Estates officers and solicitors
- arrangements for the lease of the Church Rooms are in hand but receiving scrutiny by the Diocesan and PCC solicitors
- Christ Church and the URC (West Midlands) are marketing their property in Gloucester Street and drawing up an agreement regarding use of much of the proceeds.

While all this is going on considerable attention is being given to refining the forward budget. This is an especially challenging exercise in a climate in which factors such as rapidly rising fuel costs are affecting projections but then Gateway is an interesting project and the alternative – to give up on the library and Painswick – are, we believe, not an option. In addition architects are being short-listed pending a satisfactory decision as to whether to proceed. That decision can only be made when all the balls have finished bouncing and the results of all negotiations are known. We sincerely believe that point is within sight now and hope to be able to bring further news to you very soon. Meanwhile please be thinking how you could help and support our new community library, and the exciting venture that is Painswick Gateway.

Edward Young, on behalf of the Trustees.

**Painswick  
Gateway**

## Flood Protection

Stroud District Council awarded a contract last month to a Birmingham based firm, BWB Consulting, to survey the Painswick Stream, or more accurately the whole 12 km watercourse, with a view to hydraulic modelling and determining ways of better managing flood flows and thereby mitigating the risk of damage. A voluntary group has been formed between a number of mill/riparian owners for the purpose of gathering data and supporting the work of the professional team.

Many readers will have witnessed the July 2007 flood waters raging down the valley. If anyone can provide digital images, i.e. photos or scanned prints, showing the flooding, we would be obliged if you would let us have copies by email to help us with the appraisal. It is intended to create a web-site, which will provide more detail for all to see later in the autumn. If you can help, please contact Edward Young on 07876.502991 or [painswick66@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:painswick66@yahoo.co.uk)

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## Letters

*The inclusion of a letter not imply that the Beacon endorses the views expressed.*

### Richmond:

#### Time to re-sign?

*From Ann Yates, Kingsmill Lane:*

Is the huge sign board at the Richmond Village a permanent fixture? I remember small board signs in Painswick being refused but the large, intrusive signs that have been in place ever since the Richmond Village was in the process of construction seem to be immune from the planning regulations that one assumes govern an area of outstanding natural beauty. Even if there is no regulation allowing a demand for the removal of what can only be described as a hoarding, taste alone should dictate the its unsuitability.

Also (Beacon August, Parish Council News), where the matter of Richmond Village and its limited opening of their restaurant to the public was raised Will any licence, if they need one, further compromise the privacy of several Cotswold residents already overlooked by the roof top part of the restaurant? General public use of the restaurant and roof top surely would be unacceptable.



#### Heavenly Painswick: all just hot air?



*From Anne Castle, Victoria Street:*

The hot air balloon you showed in your July issue, apparently enmeshed in overhead cables, passed safely over Painswick churchyard as can be seen in the accompanying photograph taken by my husband Paul. We took off from Dursley in the late afternoon of June 4th and drifted across Painswick about 50 minutes later. It was fun picking out familiar places from an unfamiliar viewpoint and to have a roof tiler's view of our own rooftop.

We avoided the overhead cables and landed without mishap in a field beyond Cranham. It was a memorable trip.

# Gloucester Charter Band relaxes classically in Painswick

Joining us for the Relaxing Classics at St Mary's concert on Saturday 6th September at 7.30pm will be The Gloucester Concert Charter Band. Formed in 1983, the year that Gloucester celebrated the 500th anniversary of the granting of a great charter to the city by Richard III, this year will see the band celebrate its 25th Anniversary of music making – quite a milestone for any band.

The band is busy and can be heard at various venues across the County, so we are pleased that they have managed to fit Painswick into their schedule.

Other performers (see last month's Beacon) include Shimmering Flutes, the Phoenix String Quartet and Douglas Barnes (Baritone).



Tickets, in aid of St Mary's outreach work in the community and Wotton Lawn Hospital cost £8, including light refreshments during the interval, and are available at The Chairman, antiques shop, New Street Painswick, St Mary's Lychgate Office and on the evening subject to availability.

Do please come and support this event as the evening promises to be most enjoyable, comprising a varied mixture of 'easy on the ear' light classical music.

Roy Wellbourn

## PAMAG New Season

Painswick Music Appreciation Group opens its season on 18th September in the Painswick Centre (Cotswold Room) with an open invitation to any newcomers interested in trying us out.

As usual, the programme includes a number of Concert Outings, which non-members are welcome to join. The first of these is to the ever popular Birmingham Symphony Hall on Friday 14th November. The programme comprises Wagner Siegfried Idyll, Strauss Four Last Songs, and Beethoven Eroica Symphony. Good Circle seats are available at a heavily discounted £27, with coach travel from Stamages Car Park at approx. £10.00, departing 4.30pm. These outings are very popular, so don't delay! Call Stewart Price on 814241 for further details.

## Mission to Seafarers concert

By popular request and in aid of the men and women you hardly ever see but who bring you food, clothes, gadgets and Christman presents from all over the world, the Stuart Singers will be returning to St Mary's church with a concert of popular music on Friday 26th September at 7.30 pm. Music for everybody: come and bring the family. Tickets £6.00 (18 and under £3.00) on the door or phone 813444 for advance bookings.

John Parfitt

## Russian Choir's missing posters enigma

Nigel Burt is pleased to confirm that, in response to several requests, the Russian choir 'Voskresenije' will be returning to St Mary's for a fourth visit on 19th October. The concert will commence at 7.30pm. The money raised will be used to further develop music in the church and support several local charities. Please note the change of date from that previously published.

In addition to the Beacon, the committee relies on local shops and notice boards to promote the concerts and it is very grateful for everyone's help. Unfortunately last year any laminate posters placed on the Stamages Car Park notice board were removed despite care being taken not to infringe on the space of other organisations. Whilst other notices avoided attention those promoting the Russians choir were singled out and removed on several occasions.

Nigel comments that he thought the cold war had finished! "If the person is still on the hunt perhaps he/she will contact me just to see if any particular element of the poster causes offence." The main feature of the poster is a painting by a pavement artist of the beautiful Resurrection Cathedral in St Petersburg. The church was erected on the spot that a rebellious radical, Ignaty Grinevitsky, a terrorist from the People Will organisation, mortally wounded the emperor Alexander II. The church is sometimes known as 'Our Saviour-on-the-spilt-blood'. Are elements of the Peoples Will party at work in Painswick, he wonders?

## Painswick Pastoreale

**Singers Wanted!** Are you Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass? Don't know? Come and find out!

The Painswick Singers is a friendly local choir expanding under a professional conductor. Last spring we shook the walls of a packed St Mary's with Mozart's *Requiem*. Join us this autumn as we set out for diverse rural idylls with music from Handel's *Acis and Galatea*, Purcell's *King Arthur* and (no less idyllic, if something of a change in tone) Rodgers' and Hammerstein's *Oklahoma!*

Rehearsals are 7.30-9.30 on Mondays, beginning on 8th September, in the upper room at Painswick Library. No auditions required.

Enquiries 812965 or 01453.826421. The concert will be on 25th October at the Painswick Centre.



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# Our Local Heroes Need You – a great opportunity



You are, of course, aware of the wonderful heroic efforts made by our local retained fire fighters during the floods last year. Without them and the tremendous amount of energy and time they gave our situation would have been bordering on the intolerable.

Are you also aware that the role of a local firefighter encompasses so much more? Only last month our team was called out to the dramatic fire at the Next store in Quedgeley, but they may also find themselves in a rescue situation at a car crash, a kitten stranded or simply a fire alarm going off for no reason. Being part of the team involves a myriad of possibilities, all interesting and challenging, but perhaps most of all, offering a chance to contribute significantly to the good of the local community.

All members of our local team are part-time and train once a week on Monday evenings. Far from being an onerous duty they regard their role in a very positive light – important, helpful, respected, fulfilling, critical in times of need. It's also a fantastic way to keep fit and there are social benefits too.

This team is a great group of people who work well and effectively together. Frustratingly, our local team is not up to its full complement and this is where you could be of help. Why not consider joining the Painswick firefighting team? Just think of all the benefits not least of which would be membership of an outstanding and very likeable team. If you are aged between 18 and 65 you are eligible. It's also noticeable that there is a dearth of ladies, well none actually, in the Painswick team, so come on girls.



"We need people who, ideally, are in the village during the week and will be able to give cover at evenings and weekends as well," says Mike Powis, station manager. Team members are paid a monthly retainer fee plus an hourly rate for training and an hourly incident rate.

The Gloucestershire Fire and Rescue Service is looking to recruit more men and women to swell the numbers in order to fulfill our local station requirements. On Thursday, 11th September there will be a recruitment evening at the station in Pul-lens Road when you can find out more if you're interested and try out the equipment. Why not come along and see for yourselves what it's all about? Everyone is welcome between 7.00-9.00pm.

This is important and the possibility of saving someone's life – well, it doesn't get much more rewarding than that, does it?

*Carol Maxwell*

## Health Awareness day at Richmond

The Wellness Spa at Richmond Painswick would like to welcome you to a health awareness day on Wednesday 1st October from 10am till 4pm.

They will be offering free health checks and nutritional advice as well as giving you the chance to participate in free taster classes in Yoga, Pilates, Stretching and Alexander Technique. (Ability to get onto and off the floor unaided is essential for these classes)

Advice will be available on osteoporosis, physiotherapy and reflexology as well as information on major health issues. The day will be held in the auditorium at Richmond and refreshments will be available. For more information or to book for a taster class please contact the Wellness Spa on 810211

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## Building Peace

Carolyn Hayman, CEO of the charity Peace Direct, will give a talk at Painswick Quaker Meeting House on Saturday October 11th, (starting 7.00pm).

In every conflict, local people are building peace. Like Dekha Ibrahim Abdi in Kenya, who set out to make her local marketplace safe and ended up stopping a war. Peace Direct funds and promotes the work of these local champions in Kenya, Sudan, Somalia, DR Congo and elsewhere.

Many of the peace makers are women, working with courage to overcome the dangerous cycle of violence. They use conciliation, mediation, adjudication and negotiation as an alternative to fighting.

The charity was founded by Quaker Scilla Ellworthy in 2003, and shortly afterwards was awarded the best new charity award. The judges praised its "practical, responsible action, which resulted in having a genuine influence in the areas in which it operates".



## Community Lunches 2008/9

As summer comes to a close we look forward to the Autumn session of the Community Lunches. The first lunch will be held on Monday 6th October at 12 noon in Christ Church Hall, and this year we will be supporting the Ashwell Lunch Club along with our ongoing commitment to Christian Aid.

For anyone who is unaware, the Lunches were started about forty years ago to raise awareness and money for those in need. A simple meal of home made soup, cheese, bread and butter is served in return for a small donation with each lunch being hosted by a different group.

The original aims remain, along with the benefits of this project to our own community, the opportunity to meet with friends, to make new ones and the importance of helping one another.

With the ever-increasing costs of fuel and food, the suggested donation will be raised to £2.50 plus an extra 50p for tea or coffee.

Many thanks

*Gill Gyde*

## Coffee on Saturday for Friday



On Saturday, 18th October, there will be a coffee morning in aid of The Friday Club, 10.00am - 12.30pm in the Town Hall with the addition of a Cake stall, and Arts and Crafts stall including hand painted Christmas cards, paper etc.

*Anne Smith*

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**Edgehogs Relay For Life**

On 15th/16th August, the 'Edgehogs', a team from Edge and surrounding areas, took part in the very first twenty hour Cancer Research Relay For Life in Stroud. The event took place at Stroud Rugby Club. David Drew MP performed the opening ceremony at 6.30pm and this was followed by a Survivors Lap of Honour.

It was then the Team Members time to take turns walking around the marked track. You had to have a member of your team on the track during the whole duration of the event (our team was one of a few who managed to do that!).

At dusk the Candle of Hope ceremony took place. People



could decorate and write the names of loved ones who they had lost to cancer or to honour somebody's courage in their fight against cancer, on white bags which were filled with sand and a glowing candle. The bags were placed around the track with the candle burning, lighting the way for the Relay participants as they continued to walk throughout the night.

The Relay finished about 2.30pm Saturday with a balloon launch.

I would like to thank everybody who gave generous donations and bought balloon tickets. We are awaiting the final amount raised by our team but at the last count it was £1450.00.

Finally, a huge Thank You and Well Done to the following team members - Caroline Racliffe, Shirley Jones, Anne Hathaway, Alison Bullingham, Kirsty Holland, Chris Wilkes, Rosemary Alder (who raised the most money and was on the Organising Committee), Bob Alder, Rosemary Levett, Pauline Herbert and extra team members who helped with the walking Saturday - Mary Slinger, Alison Phillips and Sarah Whittaker, not forgetting Sophie Racliffe, Toby and Ellie Bullingham and James and Laura Slinger who walked and camped with us.

*Sarah Slinger - Team Captain*

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# Sweet smells of success

If you were out and about on the streets of Painswick on the evening of 24th July, your nose may well have been assailed by an amazing mixture of perfumes, as the ladies of Yew Trees WI wended their fragrant way home from the Town Hall, after Pam Slater's talk on local success story: "The Cotswold Perfumery". Based in Bourton-on-the-Water this family firm has been creating fragrances for over 40 years. We learnt that perfumes consist of two ingredients: Essential oils, which are pure plant extracts and Aroma chemicals which mimic the smells of flowers. When John Stephen, the perfumer and owner, comes to produce a perfume he has a choice of 800 ingredients. His selection is governed by several things; the cost of the end product being an important one. Jasmine for example, can cost £12-15,000 per litre/kilo - no wonder perfume can be so expensive!

Having learnt that perfumes can be classified into three types, floral – light and summery, oriental - heavy and sophisticated and chypre – sandalwood based, we were encouraged to try the samples Pam had brought with her. This led to a very jolly and, dare I say, smelly end to the evening as every patch of bare flesh was used as a testing ground!

The evenings are getting shorter, it is the start of a new academic year, so ladies why not make the effort to come and join the friendly group who make up Yew Trees WI. Most people like a bargain and our special offer is, if you join in the autumn your subscription lasts through to December 2009! Our next meeting is on Tuesday 23rd September at 7.30 pm in the The Town Hall when Melanie Ball is going to talk on the work of The Red Cross. See you there ladies!

Celia Lougher



## Fairtrade & Christian Aid

## Christian Aid



**Cut the Carbon – Drink the Tea!** Our Fairtrade Village welcomes "Round the Wolds in 8 tea-graze" at 11.00am on Thursday 18th September.

Join us in the Church Rooms for a Fairtrade "Tea Time" morning to greet Nigel Quarrell (Christian Aid Gloucestershire Co-ordinator) with fairly traded tea, coffee, biscuits and cakes

Alison Robinson

## Coaches to Bath & London

Seats are still available for the coach to Bath on Wednesday 17th September. Please book immediately to ensure that the coach will run. Fare £12.50.



Early booking is also essential for the coach to London on Wednesday 15th October. It will leave Stamages Lane at 8.30am, reaching Knightsbridge about 11.15am, and continue to Northumberland Avenue, Trafalgar Square. For the return journey at 6.30pm, everybody must rejoin the coach in Northumberland Avenue. Fare £15.

Bookings with cash or cheque (payable to "London L & B Outings"), should be made with Joan Truman, Little Place, Hollyhock Lane, Painswick GL6 6XH. Enquiries to Joan Truman 813965 or Pauline Berry 813227.

## Susie slims ...for Acorns

Susie Oakley Village Manager of Richmond Painswick successfully shed a stone to raise funds for Acorns Hospice,

Andy Jarrett of Acorns is photographed with Susie Oakley accepting the donation.

This brings the total raised for Acorns by staff and residents of Richmond Painswick to £674.22.



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# Painswick blooms!



**On one of the few dry mornings in July, Mr Ray Fardon of Bourton-on-the-Water came to judge this year's competition of 'Painswick in Bloom', organised by Painswick Horticultural Society.**

The results were:

#### *Commercial premises*

**1st The Falcon Inn,** (pictured above) which Mr Fardon described as "a worthy winner" and certainly contributed to the appearance of the town.

#### **2nd Painswick Woodcraft**

#### *Private dwellings*

**1st The Old Bakery,** Cheltenham Road, described as "outstanding, immaculate"

**2nd No.1 Ashwell,** which drew the remark, "obviously well cared for and must cheer the whole neighbourhood."

Last year's winners, although much admired, were unable to be judged this year. However, displays which Mr Fardon considered worthy of special mention were:

No.6 Whitehorse Lane

Golden Heart Cottage

New Street Flats

'Pentwyn' No.1 Hyett Close

8 Churchill Way

As I accompanied the judge, my own view was that all the floral displays were worthy of praise and the contributors should feel very proud of their efforts in making Painswick in Bloom look so beautiful.

*Pauline Berry, Secretary PHS 'Painswick in Bloom'*

## Beacon subscribers

| 14th August                   | 2008-09    | Last year  |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|
| New or renewed after lapsing  | 54         | 119        |
| Renewed from last year        | 513        | 482        |
| <b>Total including postal</b> | <b>567</b> | <b>601</b> |



## 56th Annual Show

Just a reminder that the 56th Annual Show of the Society will take place at the Painswick Centre on Saturday 13th September, opening at 2.30 pm. Entries must be received by 10.00 pm on Saturday 6th September.

Members are requested to make every effort to enter the show this year as another season of very poor growing conditions could result in fewer exhibits in the hall.

Cakes and scones are required for the teas, as are raffle prizes and small items for the twenty pence stall. Please help if you can.

*Philip Berry*

## Beacon - Scrubbers wanted!

As our memories of this 'Summer' begin to fade, the Painswick Beacon Conservation Group is starting its Autumn programme of scrub clearance. Why not come and join us! Bring your healthy friends and neighbours too.

The aim is to remove or contain scrub, seedlings, brambles and excess grass growth that threaten the important plants and insects, which give the Beacon its special character. Tools are provided; encouragement and guidance are given.

Volunteers are advised to wear stout footwear and to bring gloves as well as a drink and a snack for our essential half-time rest when we have a good chinwag too.

We usually meet beside the cemetery car park opposite the Golf Club entrance at 10.00 am and finish at 1.00 pm, oxygenated, slightly weary, but proud of what we have done.

The first four mornings are Saturdays: 13th and 27th September and 11th and 25th October. Further details are available from our 'Ganger' John Rhodes: Tel 812709.

*David Allott, Chairman*



## More gold from China?

We reported last month that Delyth Allen is taking part in a trek on the Great Wall of China in aid of Leukaemia Research at the beginning of October. Since then Delyth tells us that in addition to sponsoring her directly at Wayland, Cotswold Mead (tel.813182), you can also donate online at [www.justgiving.com/delythallen](http://www.justgiving.com/delythallen). Justgiving sends your donation straight to Leukaemia Research and automatically reclaims Gift Aid if you are a UK taxpayer.

## Beacon articles

**We remind readers that it is both helpful and important that contributors ensure their articles are acknowledged by us because accidents happen.**

Sometimes, we discover, after publication and much to the frustration of the author, that messages had been sent to the wrong address or we received several simultaneously and overlooked one of them. Contrary to the opinion of some, we are human and make errors too. These can be minimised with your help. Please allow about 48 hours and, if no acknowledgement has been sent to you, do please get in touch without further delay.

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## Trek India!

Some challenges only last for 10 days. And some last a lifetime! From 19th – 29th October Pauline Bayliss will be joining other charity trekkers taking part in the Principal's Star Appeal Challenge India Trek, a sponsored trek in aid of the National Star College, an independent specialist residential college for young people with physical disabilities or acquired brain injuries.



Its mission is to enable its students to prepare for the best that adult life can offer through cost effective, innovative programmes of education, training and independence. As a registered charity the college relies on fundraising and donations to constantly improve its provision, in particular to meet the increasingly complex needs of its students with severe disabilities.

Pauline says she has taken up this challenge because she is very proud to work at the College and believes whole-heartedly in the work they do to enable young people with disabilities achieve in both their studies towards qualifications and the development of skills to live autonomous lives in their communities.

"We will be trekking for approximately eight hours a day in the foothills of the Himalayas, in the north-eastern province of Himachal Pradesh."

She is covering the cost of expenses so all the funds raised from sponsorship will go directly to the college to provide new and improved education, residential, therapy facilities and equipment.



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## Jazz and 1907 bar prices

The Painswick Centre will be staging two events over the next couple of weeks. The first of these is on Sunday 7th September, Jazz on a Sunday. Jeanne Marlow will be backed by Paul Buck on keyboard and Trevor

Emeny on sax, clarinet and flute. The group will perform from noon until 3pm. There will be a full bar and a Ploughman's lunch will also be available. This is the first time the Trustees have run this event but if it's successful we'll certainly repeat it. To make it worthwhile we need about 60 people so do please come along. Tickets are available at the door priced £5.

Then, on Saturday 20th September we are staging our annual supper dance, with the theme for this year being 'The Best of British'. Food by Three Counties, Ian Towers will be entertaining us in his usual inimitable style, and an Auction with some fantastic items by Lindsay Braune. Where else can you get such a cracking evening for just £17.50 (including your own Union Jack to wave during Land of Hope and Glory!). Tickets available from The Chairman.

While clearing the old Lounge Bar recently I came across some old Cash Ledgers for what was then the Painswick Institute. I thought it might be worthwhile reproducing a page from it. The two weeks I have chosen are the weeks commencing November 13th & 20th 1907, the year the Painswick Working Men's Club opened. In those days members paid for every activity they participated in. So this particular page looked like this:

| 1907                                 | Brought Forward | £72-3s-7d |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| November 13th                        |                 |           |
| By: Subscriptions as per Book        | £               | s d       |
| Sale of Rules                        | 3               | 0         |
| Hire of Hall, Liberal meeting        | 6               |           |
| Gymnasium Class, 7 men @1/-          | 15              | 0         |
|                                      | 7               | 0         |
|                                      | 1               | 5 6       |
| November 20th                        |                 |           |
| By: Bar as per Stewards Book         | 4               | 15 0      |
| Billiards                            | 1               | 6 10      |
| Baths                                |                 | 1 0       |
| Proceeds of Social Evening Nov. 12th | 1               | 8 8       |
| Subscriptions as per Book            | 2               | 0         |
| Sale of Rules                        |                 | 6         |
| Gymnasium Class, 5 men @1/-          | 5               | 0         |
|                                      | 7               | 19 0      |

As you can see, in those days it was possible to play a game of billiards, have a quick bath at the top of Tibbiwell, buy a pint and still have change from a shilling! Based on the Cash Ledger, bowls did not begin at the Club until 1911. In those days members paid as little as 1d to play bowls.

The tickets for The Best of British will be numbered. There will be a draw and five lucky guests will be able to purchase two drinks from the Bar at 1907 prices. If anyone would like to have a look at these ledgers, please give me a ring on 814070.

Ralph Drew

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## Tea Dances

For those of you who may have missed the last edition of the Beacon, or perhaps have just moved to the area, our new season of Tea Dances at the Painswick Centre recommenced on Thursday the 4th September at 2.30pm.



Personally, I think these Tea Dances would be better with a few tables...

A mixture of ballroom, latin and sequence dances with a break for tea and biscuits make for an enjoyable afternoon of gentle, sociable exercise. So why not come along one Thursday and join the dancers who have been supporting us over the last eight years, especially with the autumn and winter days ahead.

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## A New Season with the Local History Society

The Society starts its new season of talks and presentations on Tuesday, 16th September when Dave Walton, a volunteer guide on the Arts and Crafts collection at Cheltenham Art Gallery and Museum will give a presentation on Gimson and the Barnsleys, an influential group on significant architectural features in Painswick. This will be the first of many important and interesting talks over the coming year and everyone is welcome. It will take place at the Croft School, starting at 7.30pm.

### Help us win the history competition

As reported in last month's Beacon, our Local History Society is due to take part in the annual Gloucestershire Rural County Council information display competition at Thomas Rich School in Gloucester on 4 October.

The theme is poets and writers and we need your help. We are keen to include as many genres and authors as possible, even anon. At present we know of a small but interesting number and have been promised the loan of one or two first editions. We would be very pleased to hear from you if you are able to suggest any local authors or works and provide any information about them. Of course, we would like to win but the competition is quite fierce so we need all the help we can get!

Please contact Carol Maxwell on 813387, email carolmaxwell@talktalk.net, or any History Society members.

*Carol Maxwell*

## Return of the Patchwork Mouse

Painswick just wasn't the same without the Patchwork Mouse. This wonderful little gem of a shop closed in February, initially for three months while owner Dawn Mallinson went into hospital in Cheltenham for essential treatment to her foot. The three months passed and rolled into four, then five and by the sixth month the little shop looked positively forlorn to all who passed by.

To the relief of many the door opened again in August and Dawn was definitely back in business.

Dawn had suffered from a problem with her ankle for some time and anticipated being unable to run the shop for about three months from the time of her hospital admission. She underwent complicated surgery to remove bones and undergo fusion in her foot and ankle, but as is often the way the whole process took considerably longer, hence the six months closure. However, Dawn is pleased to announce that she is more or less back to normal now, and even something akin to bionic woman with her new ankle. "I'm amazed, thrilled. It's so successful" she says.

Dawn has worked hard to create a unique and enchanting little shop, chockfull of delightful gifts and curios. And of course there is her fabulous range of cards, from the beautiful to the positively weird and everything in between. With characteristic enthusiasm she shows me her latest set, each card of which contains a rather stylish necklace. It seems amazing that she can pack so much into the relatively small space so that your eye is constantly being drawn to every nook and cranny. All her goods are both attractive and of high quality. And amidst all of this you can sit at one of the three little tables and enjoy really good tea, coffee and cake.

At present most things except cards and jelly cat toys are in the sale, some at half price. Dawn is busy organising her Christmas stock which will appear in the shop in October. There will be lots of fun things and by popular request the return of the backward clock.

Opening hours have changed slightly and are now Tuesday to Friday inclusive. Dawn loves the business and explains that her customers are, by and large, really nice. "I'm terribly lucky," she says "and it's because of the locals and local visitors that I'm open." She clearly enjoys working with people and it's Dawn's energetic and friendly personality, her great sense of humour and her knack of presenting really attractive stock that generate such a warm atmosphere in the Patchwork Mouse. It's hardly surprising that when she was out of action she received an enormous number of cards, flowers and gifts from well-wishers and for these she is very appreciative.

Dawn is very much back in action and the Patchwork Mouse is well worth a visit.

*Carol Maxwell*



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## The Royal Oak – a Bumper September

The Royal Oak is certainly one of Painswick's lively places these days. During September an excellent programme of events is planned to brighten up those darker autumn evenings starting on Saturday, 6th September with the Fabulous Tweezer Sisters who will wow you with rock ballads and harmonies.

The following Saturday sees the return after a short break of Dan Maslen's open mike night, and on Friday, 19th September Elvis is back. Just £5 will ensure your place on the dance floor with our own rock legend plus Jonny's bar snacks to keep you going. You can book now on 813129.

In August Jai and Ian took over the Oak's kitchen and cooked for a splendid Thai food evening. If you missed out then, or if you came along and enjoyed the evening, you have another opportunity to experience an authentic Thai meal on Wednesday, 24th September when Jai and Ian will return to the kitchen. Booking is advisable.

And looking forward to October a real highlight will be another gourmet evening similar to that held a couple of months ago and which was a great success. More on that in the October Beacon.

We are so lucky to still have a real local pub. Shelagh and Jonny work hard to make the Oak Painswick's traditional local and, with good value pub grub with flair, a selection of excellent local brews and a programme of lively events, they deserve your support.

*Carol Maxwell*

# PAINSWICK SPORT assembled by Terry Parker

## Short Mat Bowling

The Short Mat Bowling Club not only enjoy their game on Mondays, year long, in the Town Hall, but make it their business to extend that pleasure. Twice each year the members also come together to enjoy a meal; one in a local 'diner' and another (weather permitting) in the lovingly maintained garden - complete with railway memorabilia - of Colin and Marguerite Treglown in New Street. This year the weather did not permit, so all adjourned to the Town Hall, but appreciated the fare none the less!

Across recent months the club had arranged a knock-out competition, and it was particularly opportune for Chairman Ken Gibson to present the 2008 Singles Trophy to Marguerite at the supper on 13th August.



## Tennis

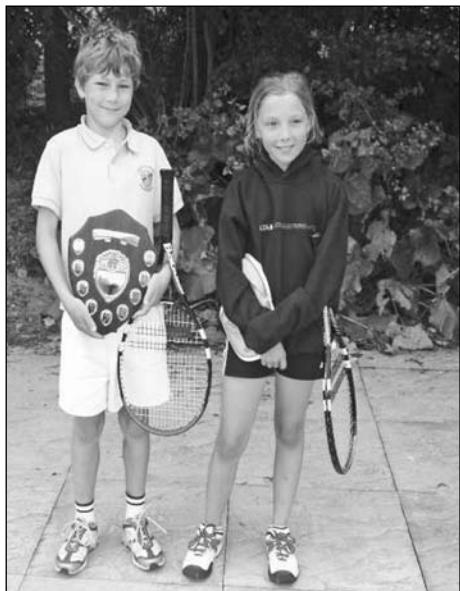
August at Painswick LTC was a frustrating month of trying to complete league matches with the weather being as uncooperative as it could have been.

Although the junior leagues still have a few matches outstanding, the men's and ladies' teams have had another successful season. The big news is that the men's A Team, captained by Paul Duncliffe, have, for the second year running, finished top of the Premier Division which is a remarkable achievement.

The juniors are currently warming up for the Gloucestershire County Closed Tournament in the last week of August, and then the Club Finals are due to take place in September.

Two junior tournaments took place at the end of July; the Minis tennis competition was won by Louis Lovell who beat Alice Bradley in the final (*pictured right*) and (*pictured left*) in the U10s tournament Dominic Perris was the overall winner over Lara Fair. Well done to all the children who took part.

Stewart Hall and Gill Willoughby won the annual August mixed doubles club tournament. Chris Jeynes and Joan Griffiths were in second place. The tournament is played on a handicap round robin basis.



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## Cricket

Painswick first eleven ended the league season on a high note when they beat Dumbleton by the margin of six wickets. Playing at Broadham last Saturday, Painswick won the toss and asked the visitors to bat. James Harber who has had an outstanding season with the ball was again in fine form returning the exceptional figures of 5 wickets for 29 runs. The quality of his bowling helped Painswick to dismiss Dumbleton for just 105 runs. In their innings the home side passed the visitors total for the loss of 4 wickets.

Painswick's second eleven playing at Dumbleton were beaten by 2 wickets in a high scoring game which included 2 centuries: Painswick's Adam Wager being undefeated on 109.

On the same day Painswick's third eleven had a comfortable victory against Woodchester's second eleven with Richard Barnard taking 6 wickets for just 13 runs.

**August results** [(L) indicates league match; \* not out]  
2nd. (L) Kingsholm 1st XI 61 (J Harber 6-4)  
Painswick 1st XI 67-1.  
Painswick 2nd XI. (L) 255-7 (M Taylor 53)  
Kingsholm 2nd XI 142 all out.

Sun 3rd Gloucestershire Cricket Board Senior County Cup Quarter Final  
Painswick 1st XI 104 all out Frocester 1st XI 81-3. Frocester won on faster run rate.  
Sat 9th. (L) Bredon 1st XI v Painswick 1st XI - cancelled.  
Painswick 2nd XI v Bredon 2nd XI - cancelled.  
(L) Stroud 4th XI 97 all out Painswick 3rd XI 99-5.  
Sat 16th. (L) Woodmancote 1st XI 97 all out Painswick 1st XI 60 all out.  
(L) Painswick 2nd XI 231-7 (M Taylor 55)  
Woodmancote 2nd XI 233-6.  
Sat 23rd. (L) Redmarley 1st XI 91 all out Painswick 1st XI 95-4.  
(L) Painswick 2nd XI 129 all out Redmarley 2nd XI 130-7.  
(L) Cam 3rd XI 115-8 Painswick 3rd XI 116-2  
(W Jamieson 57).  
Sun 24th. Painswick XI 73 all out Randwick XI 46 all out.  
Thu 28th. Errorticks XI 196-9 Painswick XI 166 all out.  
Sat 30th. (L) Dumbleton 1st XI 105 all out (J Harber 5-29) Painswick 1st XI 106-4.  
(L) Painswick 2nd XI 244-5 (A Wager 109\* P Wilkie 56) Dumbleton 2nd XI 248-8.  
(L) Painswick 3rd XI 180-8 (C Loveridge 64)  
Woodchester 2nd XI 81 all out (R Barnard 6-13).

## Painswick Unrunners for Half Marathon

Not content with pursuing burglars (*see frontpage*), Rosie Sanderson is starting an eight week training plan for the Unrunners to unrun the Stroud Half Marathon 2008.

Rosie says the aim is to run or walk it in conjunction with The Williams Syndrome Foundation team.

"We aim to run faster than any potential burglar!"

## The Gloucestershire Historic Churches Trust

Each year the Trust organises a Sponsored Ride to raise funds for our heritage church repairs.

This year, on Saturday 13th September, riders on bicycles or horses will join walkers in visiting as many churches as possible, sponsored by friends and families. Prizes are awarded for various categories of participants who raise the most funds. If you would like to take part or just sponsor a cyclist, please contact your local organiser and participant.

I would be glad to have someone to accompany me from Painswick. Sponsorship forms are available from me at 14 The Croft, Painswick. Telephone: 812565.

*Michael Buttrey (local organiser)*

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## Painswick Cricket Club

### Dinner/Dance

The club is holding a dinner/dance and presentation evening at the Painswick Golf Club on Friday 26th September: 7.00pm for 7.30pm until late.

Tickets are priced at £22.

## Rugby

Painswick first fifteen began the 2008/2009 season last Saturday with a convincing victory at Reading when they beat the home club's third fifteen by 24 points to 6. Reading's first fifteen play Painswick's first league fixture is against Dursley at Broadham Fields next Saturday.

**Fixtures** [(L) indicates league match. (M) indicates Merit Table].

Sat 30th Aug. Reading 3rd XV 6 Painswick 1st XV 24.  
Wed 3rd Sep. Painswick 1st XV v Gloucestershire Police 1st XV.  
Sat 13th Sep. (L) Painswick 1st XV v Dursley 1st XV.  
Sat 20th Sep. (L) Old Bristolians 1st XV v Painswick 1st XV.  
Longlevens 2nd XV v Painswick 2nd XV.  
Sat 27th Sep. (L) Painswick 1st XV v Ross on Wye 1st XV.  
Sat 4th Oct. (L) Tewkesbury 1st XV v Painswick 1st XV.  
(M) Painswick 2nd XV v Stroud Nomads.

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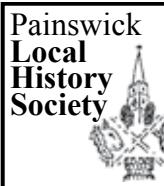
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## Local History Teaser

These three family members were very well known during their time in Painswick and several decades later are still remembered. Are you able to name the family, say what the man's role in Painswick was and hazard a guess at the date of the photograph?

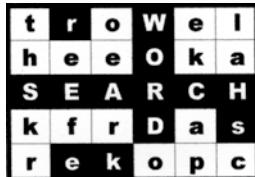
Answer in next month's Beacon.

Last month's photograph generated an overwhelming response and, though no-one was able to name all of the worthy gentlemen in our line-up, those people who phoned or emailed collectively identified each one of them. They were: back row left to right – Mr Reed, Jack Hinds, Mr Poole (a tailor); front row left to right – Dick Beech (a local solicitor), Bob Gardner (he worked for Burdocks), Dr Tincker, C.W.Orr (composer who also ran a bookshop in Stroud) and Edward Rogers (manager of Savory's Mill). The photograph was taken at the Painswick Institute (now the Painswick Centre) in 1957 on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of its opening and the gentlemen were the trustees.

David Rogers kindly lent the photograph and his grandfather was Edward Rogers who was the treasurer. Pauline Berry also pointed out that he was her Uncle Ted. Jenny Gauguin fondly remembered many of the group as did Audrey Timpson, and Alison Godsall nee Heal who has not lived in Painswick for some time was able to name several. Arthur Perrins explained that, at that time, the Institute was the centre of many events and activities and that young men aged over 16 were allowed in but only on the understanding that they had to keep quiet whilst the older men played snooker etc. All very strict, but fun nevertheless.

If you have a photograph which you think would pose a challenge to readers we would love to hear from you.

*Carol Maxwell*

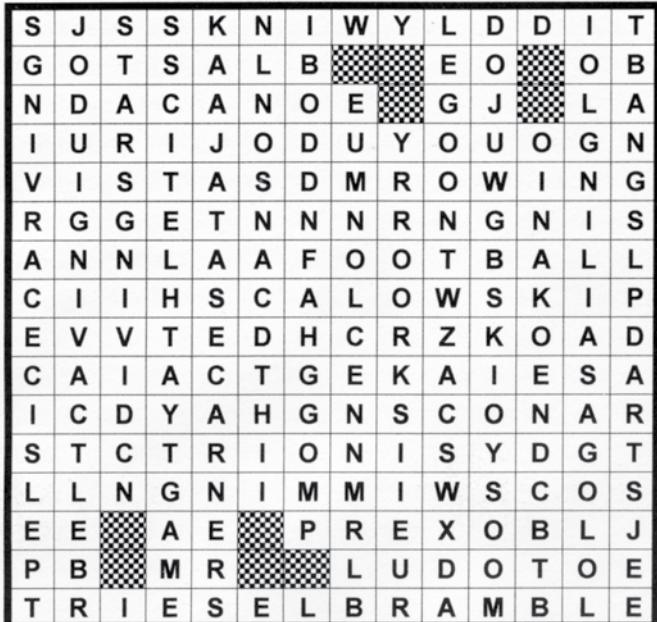


### WORDSEARCH

As the magnificent spectacle of the Beijing Olympics fades a little from the mind, can you find, here, the thirteen sports in which Team GB gained medals?

Answers to last month - 15 rugby positions:

- BLINDSIDE FLANKER,
- FLY HALF,
- FULL BACK,
- HOOKER,
- INSIDE CENTRE,
- LEFT WING,
- LOOSEHEAD PROP,
- NUMBER EIGHT,
- OPENSIDE FLANKER,
- OUTSIDE CENTRE,
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# A Back-to-School Test for more mature Painswickians...

With the children at last all going back to school, we thought we would give our more mature readers the chance to shine. Using all the wisdom that comes with age and experience, we invite you to tackle the following cerebral exercise to prove once and for all that you are still as sharp as ever.

Below are five questions. You have to answer them instantly. You can't take your time, answer all of them immediately. Let's find out just how clever you really are....

Ready? GO!



## First Question:

You are participating in a race. You overtake the second person. What position are you in?

*Answer: If you answered that you are first, then you are absolutely wrong! If you overtake the second person and you take his place, you are second!*

Try not to mess it up next time. Now answer the second question, but don't take as much time as you took for the first question, OK?

## Second Question:

If you overtake the last person, then you are...?

*Answer: If you answered that you are second to last, then you are wrong again. Tell me, how can you overtake the LAST Person?*

You're not very good at this, are you?

## Third Question:

Very tricky arithmetic!

Note: This must be done in your head only. Do NOT use paper and pencil or a calculator.

Take 1000 and add 40 to it. Now add another 1000 . Now add 30. Add another 1000. Now add 20. Now add another 1000. Now add 10. What is the total?

*Did you get 5000? The correct answer is actually 4100. If you don't believe it, check it with a calculator!*

Today is definitely not your day, is it? Maybe you'll get the fourth question right....

## Fourth Question:

Mary's father has five daughters: 1. Nana, 2. Nene, 3. Nini, 4. Nono. What is the name of the fifth daughter?

*Did you Answer Nunu? NO! Of course it isn't. Her name is Mary. Read the question again!*

## Fifth Question:

A mute person goes into a shop and wants to buy a toothbrush. By imitating the action of brushing his teeth he successfully expresses himself to the shopkeeper and! the purchase is done.

Next, a blind man comes into the shop who wants to buy a pair of sunglasses; how does HE indicate what he wants?

*He just has to open his mouth and ask... It's really very simple....*

Now pass this on to frustrate all those annoyingly smart young people in your life!

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Last month's mix of timber and stone - see below - is atop the Catholic Church on Friday Street.



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# Meet The Queen at 'Victorian' Richmond Painswick!

Richmond Painswick is holding a Victorian Garden Party to raise money for Acorns Children's Hospice Trust and Age Concern. The themed day will take place on Wednesday 24th September, from 10.30am – 5.00pm, at the village's beautiful rooftop gardens, and will be opened by Queen Victoria (alias village resident, Mrs Pauline Foreman)

Volunteers from the two charities will be helping to run stalls that sell sweets, books and Victorian posies, and children from the Croft Primary School, in Painswick, will entertain visitors with a country dancing display. There will also be face painting and activities for young visitors, as well as a tombola, raffle and some traditional games. Morning coffee, a BBQ lunch and afternoon tea will also be served.

Staff, residents and children will all be dressed in Victorian costume, and visitors are welcome to don Victorian style attire too, as there will be a fancy dress competition, with a prize for the best dressed Victorian.

Susie Oakley, manager of Richmond Painswick, said: "The residents, charity volunteers and children are all working really hard to make sure visitors have a brilliant day. Everyone is welcome to join us – and all proceeds will be going towards our two chosen charities."

Tickets for the event cost £2.00 if purchased in advance, and £2.50 if bought on the day (children under 16 are free and lunch and refreshments are extra). Tickets are available from the reception at Richmond Painswick, or by calling: 01452 813902, as well as from Painswick Post Office or the Croft Primary School

## Not a lot of people know that...

This is time of the year when it's always a bit quiet on the Beacon news front. And in times like this, Beacon editors are torn between cutting out a few pages (and hence cutting the print cost, thereby bringing a little joy into the life our Treasurer), or filling the space with trivia. Being serious, mature, responsible adults, our response is obvious... Bring on the trivia!

### So, did you know that...

- If you yelled for 8 years, 7 months and 6 days you would have produced enough sound energy to heat one cup of coffee, which hardly seems worth it?
- A cockroach will live nine days without its head before it starves to death!
- Banging your head against a wall uses 150 calories a hour ?
- The male praying mantis cannot make love while its head is attached to its body? The female initiates courtship by ripping the male's head off.... "Hey, honey! I'm home...What the...!"
- The flea can jump 350 times its body length? It's like a human jumping the length of a football field.
- The catfish has over 27,000 taste buds? What could be so tasty on the bottom of a pond?
- Butterflies taste with their feet?.
- Elephants are the only animals that cannot jump? On the whole, this is probably a good thing.
- An ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain? We know people like that.
- Starfish have no brains? We know people like that too.
- 67.2% of Painswickians believe everything they read in the Beacon?
- 87.7% of published statistics are made up on the spot?

## PROPERTY REPORT for September from Murrays

Over the past few months the media has done nothing to assure us that the market is going to get any better. However in Painswick and the surrounding villages, Murrays are taking on many new properties and are still selling them at a reasonable rate.

I feel it is worth pointing out that although we are in a buyers market and seeing many prices reduced, vendors should not panic. Any such reductions will obviously be across the board, so to put it simply, if they need to drop the price they are selling at, it is very likely that the property they wish to buy will also have been reduced. In that respect, there are no real disadvantages to anyone.

Property has traditionally been, and should still be, viewed as a mid to long term investment. The brief period when you could buy a house and sell it on after only six months making a profit of several thousand pounds, is over. Good properties are still selling provided they are sensibly priced and marketed to the best advantage, which is of course where Murrays comes in.

We have had several New Instructions over the past few weeks, they are: 1 Hyett Close, an immaculately presented three bedroom house which has already gone under offer, 33 Ashwell which is also a immaculately presented four bedroom house with very pretty garden, Rose Cottage in Vicarage Street which has been newly renovated to a very high standard with three bedrooms, Staddlestones in The Highlands which is a great family house with lovely garden, Knapp House in Sheepscombe, a beautiful house in a very sought after location with stunning views which has also gone under offer already, The Croft which is a fantastic bungalow in Pitchcombe with huge potential and panoramic views, and Sunny Bank a large four bedroom house in Whaddon.

Properties that have recently gone under offer are: 1 Hyett Close, Glendale in Vicarage Street, Knapp House in Sheepscombe, The Briars in Longridge, Ravenscourt in Edge and 2 Church Cottages in Whaddon, and Westholme on Bisley Street has now sold.

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# THE VILLAGE DIARY

**SEPTEMBER**

|                |    |  |                                     |                                 |
|----------------|----|--|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Sat            | 6  | Conservatives Summer Lunch Party, by kind permission of Mr Lawrence Turner. Tickets £10 - tel: 812158 / 813250 | Damsell's Cross                     | 12.30 to 3.00pm                 |
|                |    | Relaxing Classics: Concert in aid of St Mary's Church & Wotton Lawn Hospital (p.4)                             | St Mary's Church                    | 7.30pm                          |
|                |    | The Fabulous Tweezer Sisters   | Royal Oak                           |                                 |
| Sun            | 7  | Jazz on a Sunday   | Painswick Centre                    | 12 noon to 3.00pm               |
| Mon            | 8  | Short Mat Bowls (Mondays) contact 813627   | Town Hall                           | 10.30am & 6.30pm                |
|                |    | Yoga (Mondays) contact Kim 812623  | Sheepscombe Vill. Hall              | 6.30 to 8.00pm & 8.15 to 8.45pm |
| Tue            | 9  | Dog Training Club (Tuesdays)   | Christ Church Hall                  | 9.30 to 12.00noon               |
|                |    | Chi Kung (Qigong) classes - Tuesdays - £8 p.p. per class   | Town Hall                           | 7.00pm                          |
|                |    | Tai Chi classes - Tuesdays - £8 p.p. per class   | Town Hall                           | 8.00pm                          |
| Wed            | 10 | Yoga (Wednesdays) contact Kim 812623   | Sheepscombe Vill. Hall              | 9.30 to 11.00am                 |
|                |    | Probus: The people who built Birmingham - interspersed with music. Malcolm Lewis                               | Shires Room, Falcon                 | 10.00am                         |
|                |    | Bingo: Wednesdays - Tel. Ann, 813011/Liz, 813138   | Painswick Centre                    | 7.30 to 10.00pm                 |
| Thu            | 11 | Tai Chic Thursdays - Contact 01452 813072  | Town Hall                           | 9.30am                          |
|                |    | Yoga - All Abilities (Thursdays) Cotswoold Room 812623   | Painswick Centre                    | 9.30 to 11.00am                 |
|                |    | Jolly Stompers Line Dancing: Beginners - Thursdays   | Town Hall                           | 12.00 to 1.00pm                 |
|                |    | Experienced beginners - Thursdays  | Town Hall                           | 12.30 to 1.30pm                 |
|                |    | Tea Dance - Thursdays  | Painswick Centre                    | 2.30 to 4.30pm                  |
|                |    | Recruitment evening for the Fire and Rescue Service (p.5)  | Fire Station                        | 7.00 to 9.00pm                  |
| Fri            | 12 | Country Market - coffee available (Fridays)  | Town Hall                           | 10.00am                         |
| Sat            | 13 | Gloucestershire Historic Churches Trust sponsored ride (cycle or Gloucestershire horse) or walk (p.13)         | Painswick Beacon                    | 10.00am to 1.00pm               |
|                |    | Painswick Beacon Conservation Group scrub clearance working party. (location check 812709) (p.9)               | Painswick Beacon                    |                                 |
|                |    | Horticultural Society Annual Show (p.9)  | Painswick Centre                    | 2.30 to 5.30pm                  |
|                |    | Can Masiel's Singing & Open Mike Night   | Royal Oak                           | 8.00pm                          |
| Tue            | 16 | History Society: Dave Walton from Chelt. Art Gallery (p.11)  | Croft School                        | 7.30pm                          |
| Wed            | 17 | Coach to Bath: £12.50. Tel: 813085 / 813227 (p.7)  | Stavages Car Park                   | 10.00am                         |
|                |    | Women's Fellowship AGM   | Christ Church Hall                  | 7.30pm                          |
| Thu            | 18 | Fairtrade Cut the Carbon Event (p.7)   | Church Rooms                        | 11.00am                         |
|                |    | Music Appreciation Group: Opening Meeting  | Cotswoold Room,                     | 7.30pm                          |
| Fri            | 19 | Friday Club: Life and Times in Gibraltar - Gill Richards   | Painswick Centre                    |                                 |
|                |    | The Return of Elvis - £5. Tel. 813128  | Town Hall                           | 2.30pm                          |
| Sat            | 20 | Copy deadline for October Beacon   | Royal Oak                           |                                 |
|                |    | Best of British Dinner Dance   | Painswick Centre                    | 8.00 to 11.00pm                 |
| Sun            | 21 | Clypping Service   | St Mary's Church                    | 3.00pm                          |
| Tue            | 23 | Juniper Hill work party. Tel 813823. Meet at triangle at foot of hill  | Juniper Hill                        | 8.45am                          |
|                |    | Year Trees WI: The work of the British Red Cross   | Town Hall                           | 7.30pm                          |
| Wed            | 24 | Probus: Story of the Hampton Car - Trevor Picken   | Shires Room, Falcon                 | 10.00am                         |
|                |    | Victorian Garden & Tea Party (p.16)  | Richmond Painswick                  | 10.30am to 5.00pm               |
|                |    | Painswick Players AGM  | Painswick Centre                    | 7.30pm                          |
|                |    | Thai Night: Tel 813129   | Royal Oak                           |                                 |
| Thu            | 25 | A&B Public Meeting   | Town Hall                           | 7.30pm                          |
| Fri            | 26 | Stuart Singers concert in aid of Mission to Seafarers (p.4)  | St Mary's Church                    | 7.30pm                          |
| Sat            | 27 | Painswick Beacon Conservation Group scrub clearance working party. (location check 812709)                     | Painswick Beacon                    | 10.00am to 1.00pm               |
|                |    | Theatre Club outing to Malvern   | The Falcon                          | 1.00pm                          |
| <b>OCTOBER</b> |    |  |                                     |                                 |
| Wed            | 1  | 8-week Art Course (Wednesdays) by Mark Kelland starts  | Richmond Painswick                  | 9.30am to 12.30pm               |
| Thu            | 2  | Music Appreciation Group: Committee Choice   | Cotswoold Room,<br>Painswick Centre | 7.30pm                          |



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|-----------------|----|--|------------------------------------|
| Fri             | 3  | Friday Club curling: 'The Mail Box'  | BBC Birmingham                     |
| Sat             | 4  | October Issue of The Painswick Beacon published  |                                    |
| Sun             | 5  | Harvest Lunch  | Painswick Centre                   |
| Mon             | 6  | Community Lunch: Hosts - Country Market (p.6)  | Christ Church Hall                 |
| Wed             | 8  | Probus: Arenas of sport - Cricket, Racecourses, Rowing - Ayhan Shires Room, Falcon Sampson                     | 12.00noon to 1.15pm<br>10.00am     |
|                 |    | Soul Café - Contemporary Spiritual Bible Study - Rev H Whyte   | 2.00pm                             |
| Thu             | 9  | Bird Club: Breeding birds of southern Britain - Graham Wren  | Town Hall                          |
| Sat             | 11 | Painswick Beacon Conservation Group scrub clearance working party. (location check B12700)                     | Painswick Beacon                   |
|                 |    | Building Peace talk by Carolyn Hayman (p.6)  | 10.00am to 1.00pm                  |
|                 |    | Painswick Music Society AGM  |                                    |
| Mon             | 13 | Community Lunch: Hosts - St Mary's Church  | Friends Meeting House              |
| Wed             | 15 | Couch to London. £15. Tel: 013865 / 013227   | Church Rooms                       |
|                 |    | Women's Fellowship Social Evening  | 12.00noon to 1.15pm<br>8.30am      |
| Thu             | 16 | Music Appreciation Group: Arthur Sullivan  | Christ Church Hall                 |
| Fri             | 17 | Friday Club: A Painting Experience with Adele  | Shires Room, Falcon                |
| Sat             | 18 | Coffee Morning in aid of The Friday Club: Cakes / Arts & Crafts / Christmas Cards etc.                         | Christ Church Hall                 |
| Sun             | 19 | Return visit: Voskresenije (Resurrection) Choir from St Petersburg (please note amended date)                  | 7.30pm                             |
| Mon             | 20 | Community Lunch: Hosts - Parish council  | Christ Church Hall                 |
| Wed             | 22 | Probus: Humour & songs from the wars - Mike Wallace  | Shires Room, Falcon                |
| Sat             | 25 | Painswick Beacon Conservation Group scrub clearance working party. (location check B12700)                     | Painswick Beacon                   |
|                 |    | Knitwear Sale: Great labels at even greater prices - cashmere, wool, lambswool etc.                            | 10.00am to 1.00pm                  |
|                 |    | Painswick Singers concert version of Oklahoma and other music  | from 10.30am                       |
|                 |    |  | 7.30pm                             |
| Mon             | 27 | Community Lunch: Hosts - Dog Training Group  | Christ Church Hall                 |
| Tue             | 28 | Year Trees WI: Fancy a Join? - Robert Linsell  | 7.30pm                             |
| Wed             | 29 | Theatre Club curling to Cheltenham   | The Falcon                         |
| Thu             | 30 | Music Appreciation Group: Berioz   | 7.30pm                             |
| Fri             | 31 | Friday Club: Halloween Event   | Richmond Painswick                 |
| <b>NOVEMBER</b> |    |  |                                    |
| Sat             | 1  | Coffee & Gâteaux Morning<br>Conservatives Wine Tasting. Tickets £12 to include supper.<br>Tel: 013260 / 012743 | Christ Church Hall<br>Church Rooms |
| Mon             | 3  | Community Lunch: Hosts - Christ Church   | 10.00am to 1.00pm                  |
| Tue             | 4  | Bird Club: Finland - winter to spring: Helen Williams  | 7.30pm                             |
| Wed             | 5  | Probus: The Archers at Cresy 1348 - Ian Shapler  | 12.00noon to 1.15pm                |
| Thu             | 6  | Music Appreciation Group at Richmond Painswick   | 7.30pm                             |
| Sat             | 8  | Sue Ryder Care Christmas Fair  | 10.00am                            |
| Mon             | 10 | Community Lunch: Hosts - Catholic Church   | 12.00noon to 1.15pm                |
| Wed             | 12 | Soul Café - Contemporary Spiritual Bible Study - Rev H Whyte   | 7.30pm                             |
| Fri             | 14 | Friday Club curling: A Day at the Races  |                                    |

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# PLANNING MATTERS

A summary of information from the Parish Council

## NEW APPLICATIONS

EXTRA COVER, FAR END, SHEEPS-COMBE. Single storey extension and loft conversion.  
BEECH FARM, BEECH LANE, SHEEPSCOMBE. Erection of extension to provide annexe accommodation.  
HABRICIA COTTAGE, ELCOMBE, CATSWOOD LANE, SLAD WARD. Raising the level of the roof to match the adjoining cottage, rebuilding the existing rear extension with a green roof to form a new studio, formation of a rear courtyard at first floor level.  
WELL COTTAGE, LONGRIDGE, SHEEPSCOMBE. 2 storey rear extension.  
18 GLOUCESTER ROAD. Single storey front extension.

## REVISED PLANS

HALCYON, LONGRDIGE, SHEEPS-COMBE. Replacement dwelling. Main changes: Ecological Assessment required.

## CONSENT

CARDYNHAM HOUSE, TIBBIWELL LANE. Retrospective application for the erection of 3 signs and external light.  
THE OLD SUNDAY SCHOOL, SLAD. 2 storey extension, retaining walls and internal alterations.  
THE OLD CARRIAGE HOUSE, EDGE. Erection of extension.  
RUDGE COTTAGE, BACK EDGE LANE, EDGE. Extensions & alterations.  
SHEEPSCOMBE HOUSE, SHEEPS-COMBE. Erection of an Orangery.

FIG TREE COTTAGE, KEMPS LANE. Two storey extension.

BEECH COTTAGE, SLAD. Extension over garage to form store room.  
CROFT HOUSE, GLOUCESTER STREET. Demolition of existing outbuilding/workshop. Erection of replacement workshop.  
MYND HOUSE, THE HIGHLANDS. Erection of replacement garage.  
BUTT GREEN HOUSE, BUTT GREEN. Insertion of 3 dormer windows.  
TRILLGATE FARM, SLAD. Erection of extension to existing attached out-building.  
BACK EDGE HALL, BACK EDGE LANE, EDGE. Erection of replacement garage/store.

FAIRINGS, CASTLE CLOSE. Erection of extensions & alterations. (Revised scheme following permission 07/2696)  
PAINSWICK BAKERY, NEW STREET. Installation of 2 rooflights.

PIPPINS, GLOUCESTER STREET. Single storey extension.  
JUBILATE, BLAKEWELL MEAD. Reduce height of cedar by up to 20 ft. Thin upper canopy and reduce the lateral branches to keep shape.

## REFUSAL

RICHMOND VILLAGE, STROUD ROAD. Erection of temporary sign boards.

## PLAN WITHDRAWN

ELCOMBE, SLAD. Erection of overhead power line.

## APPEAL DISMISSED

LAWN COTTAGE, PAINSWICK COURT, SHEEPSCOMBE. Retrospective application for the erection of dog kennel with shed attached.

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# The Personal Column

## Weddings

Congratulations to ANDREW PLATT and CAROLINE ARDRON who are to be married today, 6th September, at St James', Cranham;

also to ADAM BURLEY and MARY PHILLIPS who are being married at St James' Cranham on 13th September;

also to THOMAS WOODFORD and HANNAH JEFFS who are being married at St Mary's Painswick on 20th September;

also to MARY DAWS and REVD LEON COLLYER who were married at St Luke's Bath on 29th August;

and also to LOIS KING who was married to DANIEL THOMAS at Chepstow on 4th July. Lois, who sent us the picture (*right*), has worked in the Pharmacy for several years.

## Golden Wedding

Our appologies to ANN and DEREK SANDERS whom we congratulated last month on their Golden Wedding but wrongly spelt the name as 'Saunders'.

## Ruby Wedding

Congratulations to FRANCES and JOHN WATSON who celebrated their Ruby Wedding on 10th August.

## Babies

Congratulations to EMILY and BARNEY MACER on the birth of Matilda on 21st July, a sister for Max and first great grand-daughter for Mary and Tony Macer.

Last month, in welcoming RAPHAEL SEYMOUR to the world, we omitted to mention that young Raphael's mother, Caroline is the granddaughter of the late Seymour and Mabel Partridge of Welcom, The Park. (*Mea culpa – JRB, Editor*)

## Welcome

We are pleased to welcome Mr & Mrs COLIN LEWIS to Mary's Acre in Stamages Lane

also to VERNON WILLIAMS and LIANE CURTIN to Hambutts Barn from Stroud

also to KEITH and JOAN GARDNER to Richmond Village from Essex;

also to Mr and Mrs SLATER from Lymington to Richmond Village

also to SUSAN CASEY to Richmond Village from London,

and also to KATE LOWE from Moreton-in-Marsh to Richmond Village.

## Change of House

FELICITY SHARWOOD-SMITH is moving into Richmond Village.

## Get Well Soon

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to PAUL WHITTAKER and ROBERT GODDARD

## Condolences

Our sympathy goes out to the family and friends of TONY MANTON, AUDREY PRICKETT, BARBARA CLAPTON and DULCIE MARSH, who have all died recently.

## Personal messages

Congratulations to JOANNE DANIELS for qualifying as a Registered Mental Nurse. We are all very proud of her achievements. With love and best wishes for her future from all the family – Ann Daniels

JACK SMITH would like to thank everyone who made his 80th birthday such a wonderful occasion. Special thanks to all the family, the Rugby Club, Steve Luckett and the Golf Club, and for the flower arrangements from Ralph and Joan Drew. I had wonderful presents and if this is 80, roll on 90!

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