

The Painswick Beacon

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Good Morning Painswick!

Now that Terry Wogan is retiring, who will the TOGs be listening to?

Steve Rowley, who has a track record with the setting up of Stroud FM as a community project, as well as Cam FM and COMM FM in Bristol, poses the question as to whether there are local enthusiasts who believe that Painswick is 'ripe' for its own station. Small beginnings may be an hour a week, but such might expand to every morning - and goodness knows what might then happen! He says "We have the opportunity to create regular local community radio programmes. Painswick has a lot of talent and a lot of interesting people. We can provide the training to help you become a broadcaster, how to present, produce and operate the technical equipment. You'll have to provide the wit and the bad jokes".

Well, he has laid down an invitation to visit a 'taster session' for the over 50s on Tuesday, 20th October 10.30am in the Town Hall.

Unbeknown to Steve, and his friend and fellow Pitchcombe resident and regular broadcaster Martin Slinger, the Beacon has given preliminary thought to such an idea. Getting on air other than through time allocated by such as Stroud FM is no mean task, but some may be up to the challenge. Do call in on the 20th, or contact Steve Rowley on 01453.763181 or steve@artension.com

Fine for Clypping

One of those balmy late summer days, coupled with careful planning of the Painswick Feast, made this year's Clypping Service another to enjoy and vividly remember for the many who attended.



Seven Year Old Sponsors a Yew Tree

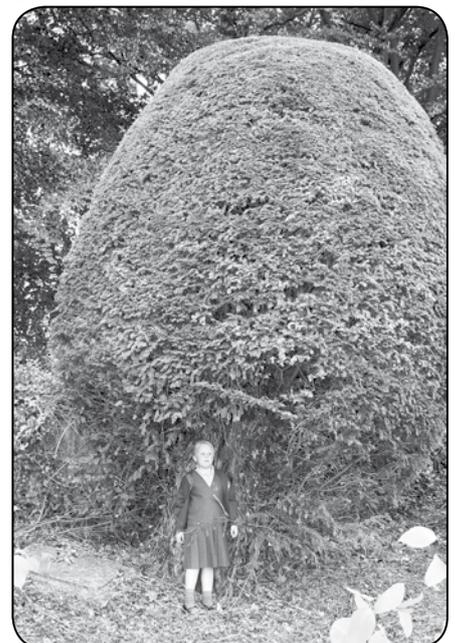
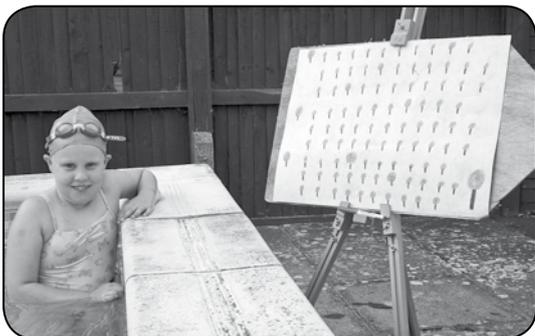
Following a recent visit to St Mary's churchyard seven year old Isabella Weatherall decided she wanted to sponsor a yew tree at a cost of £99. When her mother said 'money doesn't grow on trees' her daughter replied that she would get herself sponsored to raise money for her tree.

She wrote to over 100 people asking them if they would sponsor her for £1 if she swam 99 lengths of the swimming pool. The letters included a leaf from the yew tree. The full sum was raised and when the day of the great swim arrived, watched by many people she successfully completed 99 lengths. All the money promised was successfully collected.

Unfortunately by the time her money was given to the Church the original 99 trees had found sponsors. The idea of purchasing a miniature tree was considered. However a church working party revealed 3 yew trees that had hitherto been hidden by bushes and Isabella was able to select her tree.

In recognition of Isabella's efforts the Yew Tree Committee decided to name this tree Isabella and this will be written into the sponsor's book. It will be the first yew tree in the grounds to be named after an individual.

Nigel Burt 810935



On other pages this month - the Italian job, the last call Directory, celebrity (ginger) chef, the code breakers, used books wanted, triple tenors, the choir from St.P, pussy blushing, coach teaser, more tennis under foot, now to be shredded in the pound, and what about Renée, ladies and art, a coach and four, they're over the hill, low carbon locally, the camera on camra, six ladies posing, dark stories in the hall, our blooming village, the wicked cuckoo; your views requested upon pages 14 and 15 - please.

PLANNING

Planning Procedures

The meeting discussed the variation of planning procedures which has been trialled for several months and found it unsatisfactory. The consensus was to return to the 'brown envelope' system with details of planning notices being circulated to Parish Cllrs and two meetings being held each month to discuss and decide. Members felt this would allow them to examine issues raised by planning applications, carry out site visits when necessary and speak to neighbours etc. David Hudson said that the number of planning applications had dropped significantly.

PARISH COUNCIL

Affordable Housing

The meeting welcomed Martin Hutchings from the Gloucestershire Rural Community Council. Martin explained that his job was to establish the need for affordable housing in rural areas and market towns and look for suitable land. Land which would not be given planning permission for open market housing might obtain it for affordable housing. He relied on Parish Councils to tell him what the local need was. A county wide survey has been carried out this year but a local survey is necessary to establish local needs which he would be happy to arrange with the Parish Council. The question arose of which comes first – the need or the available land with Councillors holding different views. The meeting agreed to co-operate with Martin in designing a questionnaire to survey the parish to establish our requirement for affordable housing.

Business Signage

The Clerk had written to the offending businesses asking them to remove illegal signs. An enforcement officer had subsequently visited and SDC will now decide what action to take for non-compliance.

Village Signs

Maurice Maggs of the Painswick and District Conservation Society reported that 5 entries had been submitted in the competition to design a village sign for

Painswick and a winner had been chosen. Gloucestershire Highways, the final arbiter, had requested some changes including the removal of the legend "Queen of the Cotswolds" as only factual information may be given on road signs. David Hudson, one member of the panel which selected the winning entry, asked that the design be presented to the whole Parish Council at the next meeting, a suggestion that other Councillors and Maurice all agreed.

Gloucestershire Calor Village of the Year Competition

Councillors were asked to consider the best way to use the £100 prize the village won in this competition.

Community Shredding Service

PC has received a request from Roy Welbourn asking for the use of the Pound in Gloucester Road for placing a hedge cuttings shredder and chipper. The equipment and operator would be provided by Wyevale and paid for by SDC at no cost to PC or local residents. Wyevale will also leaflet the village to confirm the date and location. Roy Welbourn argues that this is a far more ecologically sound way of disposing of clippings than having a bonfire. The meeting approved the request.

Allotments

Ela Pathak-Sen presented a draft document outlining the processes when seeking land for allotments. She acknowledged PC's statutory duty and the benefits allotments bring to people, the community and the environment. The process should be transparent, open to different approaches, take into account conservation principles, publish the criteria and allow sufficient time. Ela suggests using a Land Agent to seek out suitable land and advertising in the Beacon for landowners to lease land for allotments. She proposes setting up a working group of five, two Councillors and three members of the public, which will consult the public on proposals, provide a perspective and make recommendations to PC. Planning and environmental considerations will be adhered to, impact assessment on proposed sites will be carried out and PC will explain why sites have been selected or rejected. Formal consultation will take place once options are agreed but the final decision to proceed or not rests with PC.

The criteria to be used in selecting sites are the same as those used during discussions on Gyde Field. Ela proposes an ambitious time scale to complete these processes by January 2010.

There followed a lengthy debate on Ela's document with some difficulties noted. It is unclear whether a Parish Council can set up a working group where the majority of members are not Councillors. Land Agents are expensive charging up to £500 per day and he/she would have to

be given a clear brief, possibly continuing the work already carried out by Martin Slinger and reporting to the working group. There were also concerns at the legality of some of the criteria. Finally a budget has to be decided.

The meeting agreed to appoint Caroline White as the chair of the working group with Martin Slinger as the other Council member and Andy Cash as the third member if a majority of Councillors is required. The meeting thanked Ela for all her hard work.

Terry Parker told the meeting that the Gyde Field allotment proposals and the request for Judicial Review have been of great interest to the National Association of Local Councils. One factor which emerged is that insurance cover for Parish Councils does not include Judicial Review and that this was now being actively looked into.

County Council Report

Cllr Joan Nash, GCC, read out a statement commencing "As your County Councillor, I am feeling sad – sad for Painswick." The full statement may, as requested by her, be seen elsewhere in the Beacon.

She also presented her reports for August and September which may be consulted at Painswick Town Hall.

Recreation Ground Trust

Terry Parker told the meeting that the Parish Council had been advised in October 2000 that the Parish Council is the Recreation Ground Trustee. The Parish Council also owns the former Rugby Club Pavilion. Advice was being sought from the Charities Commission to establish the status of the present Recreation Ground Trust. The Recreation Ground Trust had agreed that the Cricket Club should be allowed to use the Rec for the third and fourth elevens and for the Junior Football Club to use the football pitch.

Painswick Cemetery

PC has received a letter from the War Graves Commission stating that 7 graves in the cemetery are not being maintained to their standards. As the Commission pays for the maintenance of the graves PC must adhere to these standards which include keeping the grass around the graves to below 3 inches.

The graves referred to are on the top terrace of the cemetery which PC designated a conservation area to protect the wild orchids growing there and therefore the grass has not been cut. David Hudson called the state of that part of the cemetery a disgrace and that people had tripped on the grave stones concealed in the long grass. Roy Balgobin, the Clerk, will contact Natural England about the conservation area and respond to the War Graves Commission.



Three other Tenors

What a delight it will be for us all when the Three Other Tenors' come to Painswick on 30th October at 7.30pm in Painswick Church. The concert is to be held in order to raise funds for the refurbishment of Edge Church.

We were originally going to hold the concert in Edge Church but as I was watching 'The Cardiff Singer of the Year' earlier this year I thought to myself 'Goodness if one voice can fill the auditorium in the Millenium Centre in Cardiff what could three voices do in Edge Church!!! I approached the Reverend John Longuet-Higgins and the Churchwardens and they very kindly agreed that the concert could take place in Painswick Church.

I thought you might like some background to the soloists.

Michael Clifton-Thompson, Philip Lloyd Holtam and Howard Kirk are The Three Other Tenors from Welsh National Opera. They gave their first performance in June 1996, at the Taliesin Theatre at Swansea University, when the idea was conceived as a way of raising funds for the Friends of WNO. The event was so successful that they were subsequently asked to perform at many other venues. Since that night, they have gone on to give over 150 performances of their show, all to great critical acclaim, and without denying the obvious allusion to the original Three Tenors, whose wonderful early performances inspired these artists into performing their version of the concert. They have performed at venues throughout the UK, including Symphony Hall, Birmingham; The Hexagon at Reading; The Festival Theatre, Malvern; Grand Theatre, Swansea and The New Theatre, Cardiff. At many of the larger venues they are accompanied by members of the Welsh National Opera Orchestra but the Tenors also enjoy performing at much smaller venues and where, very often, the audiences don't have such easy access to main-scale opera. The Tenors will be joined on stage by WNO principal soprano, Ros Evans, and distinguished accompanist Simon Phillippo.

We therefore invite you to join us for this very special occasion. Tickets are £15 each which includes a glass of wine and refreshments. They are available from Ann Kennett (01452 812669) Glynnis Mayes (01452 814148); Elizabeth Ward (01452 812188) and The Chairman shop in Painswick.



Elizabeth Ward

Music .. and Renée and Birmingham to come

We had a good start to our season on 17th September with our chairman playing recordings of some of the kind of music we will be listening to, both in members' and guest speakers' presentations and concert outings. Tastes differ of course and whilst Alex' selection was greatly appreciated by all, your reporter was particularly smitten with Claudia Novikova singing and giggling Offenbach's "La Perichole" aria – an absolute hoot!, followed by Renée Fleming's La Wally aria (see below), Alison Balsom trumpeting a Caprice by Paganini – smashing stuff this!, and the massed bands of the Royal Marines putting us in the right mood.

Renée Fleming will be singing with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra in the first concert to which we will be going in Birmingham this year on 2nd November – at the time of writing, there are still 5 seats available. Please contact Stewart Price quickly on 814241 if interested.

Ralph Kenber



Charity concert - - Voskresenije

Return Visit of Voskresenije (Resurrection) Choir from St Petersburg, on Tuesday 13th October in St Mary's Church at 7.30pm

The Resurrection choir Voskresenije from St Petersburg will be returning for a fifth concert at St Mary's on Sunday 19th October at 7.30pm. Concerts by this highly acclaimed choir have become an annual event. The first half of the programme will be devoted to Russian sacred music. The programme will include three pieces by Sergei Rachmaninov who developed a deep fascination for unaccompanied music from the Russian Orthodox Church and Ave Maria by C Saint-Saens. After the interval the choir will sing folk music dressed in their national costume.

Those who have attended the earlier concerts will know that the choir's composition changes each year as some members leave to develop their careers on the international circuit. We have been promised some exciting new talent this year with the conductor recruiting outstanding young vocalists from St Petersburg Conservatoire. However, the rare voice of Basso Profondo, Anatoly Artamonov, will be returning for his fifth visit

All proceeds from the concert will be donated to Christian Aid.

Tickets priced £10 are available from: The Chairman New Street Painswick, The Stroud Tourist Information Centre, by post telephoning 812966, or at the door (subject to availability).

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Residents on the eastern side of Painswick valley, and The Park, are forewarned by Jenny Broadbank that she is holding a party with live music tonight, 3rd October, in a field on Beech Lane.

Apologies are given in advance in case the wind is in the least desirable direction and/or the volume not adjusted sufficiently to minimise disturbance.

Painswick matters

County Councillor Joan Nash read the following statement at the September meeting of the Parish Council, and requested that it be published here, which we are pleased to do.

As your County Councillor, I am feeling sad - sad for Painswick.

In this County Division, I represent thirteen villages, which each has a different character and different needs. I work to try to preserve and improve the quality of life for the residents and to make balanced communities. The Parish Councils are working tirelessly to serve their communities.

In the last few weeks Painswick has experienced the "Allotment Saga", much to the amusement of the other villages. Now, I quote from last month's copy of the Beacon, "we could be exposed to the County Council making the Library building available to another agency that the community might find unpalatable." The County Council has not made any decision on the Library building as it has, time and again, given the Gateway Project extensions to make a decision on whether to purchase the building. As the project has proved to be too ambitious and expensive for the village, would it not be better to withdraw gracefully.

Painswick has been blessed by generous benefactors in the past. Mrs Williams gave the Club and Institute, the Gyde family gave the Gyde Orphanage and the Almshouses. I wonder if these gifts were considered "palatable" to the village at that time? After all, the Institute was for working men to have a drink and for everyone to enjoy themselves, the Orphanage was for boys who were abandoned or in need, and the Almshouses were for elderly people with limited means - all these buildings helped to create a balanced community.

What is "palatable" now for Painswick? Not, it seems, allotments - and who knows what is expected in the Library building? It is, however, unlikely to be a night club or a sex shop!

Is it not time to stop threatening the Parish Council with judicial reviews over a few allotments, and to stop trying to create Conservation Areas on land belonging to a Village Charity?

Come on Painswick ----- may we all work together for a balanced community, young and old, working and retired, and all levels of disposable income, as this village has been through the years.

I do hope we can learn to "live and let live" and to respect the needs of others, even if it causes us to make a few concessions to our own lifestyles.

Joan I Nash, Holcombe Farm, Painswick

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal



Painswick has an exemplary record for collecting for the annual Poppy Appeal and I have been delighted to take up the reins as local organiser. However, we have recently lost some of our most stalwart collectors and are looking for new volunteers. The need for support for members of our Armed Forces and their families, both from the past and still today, continues to be a priority.

If you would like to assist with either house to house or street collections anytime between the 24th October and the 11th November 2009 then please contact me, Russ Herbert on 813229 or email sheepphouse@hotmail.com

Many Thanks

Russ Herbert

Nature in art



In October you have the opportunity to learn about Nature in Art, "the world's only museum and art gallery dedicated to all kinds of art inspired by nature". Housed at Wallsworth Hall in Twigworth it has twice been specially commended in the Museum of the Year Awards. Our speaker will be Simon Trapnell, its director, who also helped establish it and is a keen conservationist and campaigner. Do come and join the members of Yew Trees WI who, exceptionally, extend an invitation to guests of both genders. Make a note in your diary now: 7.30pm in the Town Hall on Tuesday 27th October. £2.70!

Although there was no official meeting in August, members decided they would like to meet up and have a night free from domestic duties; so instead of wending their way to the Town Hall, they gathered for a jolly evening in The Bistro with Catalina and Marin looking after them.

Ladies, do you want to meet new people and enjoy talks on a varied range of topics? If so, why not join Yew Trees WI? Membership also gives you the opportunity to join in the wide range of activities and entertainment organised by the Gloucestershire Federation of WIs. If you join now your subscription will last to the end of 2010, and who can resist a bargain? Do at least come for a visit on 27th October.

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'Confusions' out, now it's 'My Friend Miss Flint'

It's so confusing. It's now Donald Churchill and Peter Yeldham's 'My Friend Miss Flint' on the 26th, 27th and 28th November. Sadly Painswick Players have decided to cancel the production of Alan Ayckbourn's play 'Confusions' as several cast members suddenly were no longer in a position to make a significant number of rehearsals and stand-ins were not readily forthcoming. So Miss Flint will take the stage in a comedy about taxation and corruption, which, importantly, has a smaller cast. Taxation and corruption? - a comedy you ask - how? Well, it works, it's very funny and the outcome quite unexpected. So keep the dates in your diaries - just change the details.

Now back to Confusions and I will try to avoid further puns and not confuse you (sorry, just one more). The cast are so taken with the play that we did not want to abandon it totally. Instead we have opted to put it on in May 2010 when we hope our missing members will all be back, available and raring to go. One part has still not been cast though, a male role, a middle aged roué so if you want to risk treading the boards please get in touch with the director George Krasker (01452 864175).

Back to Miss Flint and putting on plays in Painswick in general. For Miss Flint (or MFMF as she is called) - we have to build a 'box' set, that is stage flats along the back and down each side of the stage, with doors and windows and the Players are looking for people with some d-i-y skills who would like to learn about set building and/or stage electrics. Our usual team of technical staff, though willing, are so busy with different commitments that new members would be welcomed with open arms and possibly a screwdriver. Give me a ring if you can help.

Charles Dorman 814548



On t' hill

Do you flinch when you hear the sound of a chainsaw? I do. Although trained in the rudiments of forestry management, my reflex reaction is "Oh, there goes another defenceless tree!" Actually it may only have been an overhanging branch that needed to be cut. On second thoughts, therefore, probably a good thing.

Similar considerations apply when we plan conservation work on Painswick Beacon. Predominantly we wish to see short, undernourished limestone 'grassland' rich in herbs, flowers, butterflies, moths and other small animals. Also there are airy woodland areas like the best bits of The Plantation. In between are the longer grass, scrubby, brambly bits with masses of tree seedlings. Here are the problem areas with the potential for contrary views and conflict. If left "unmanaged" (and you can find plenty of patches where this has happened) busy Nature will soon produce a dense thicket, or worse, an area dominated by non-native fir trees resulting in a dark forest floor with little plant or animal life to reward you, if you do manage to penetrate the dead side branches and brambles.

So we "conservationists" view only some of each year's thousands of ash, sycamore and fir seedlings as "friends". Some are mown, some cut, some sawn and some are left. Many those left have side branches removed ("crown lifting") so that they cast little shade but will in time bulk up to provide nesting habitats, landscape interest, and, ultimately, useful timber (or valuable fuel for the 'carbon' conscious).

Next time you hear one of our chainsaws or our mower do come and enquire what we are doing, and why. Better still, come and join in! Bring healthy friends and neighbours too. We provide tools, encouragement and guidance where needed. We stop for a drink, snack and chance to put the world to rights at "half time". Volunteers are recommended to wear stout footwear and bring gloves. Usually we meet at 10 a.m. by the cemetery car park opposite the Golf Club entrance. We finish at 1 pm slightly warmer and wearier but feeling good about the difference we have made. The next Saturdays will be October 3rd, 17th and 31st. Other dates usually appear in The Village Diary.

David Allott 812624 Chairman, Painswick Beacon Conservation Group

Painswick Parish Council NOTICE

Allotment Land

The Parish Council is looking for land to provide allotments for its parishioners.

The Council would like to be advised of any land within the parish, including Painswick, Sheepscombe, Slad and Edge that is available for purchase or rent.

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Local History Teaser

A grand way to pass through our Painswick streets - but is it quite as old as you might at first think? Take a good look. Can you put a date to the photograph, say why they were in New Street and who is that cuddled up next to the coachman? Answers in next month's Beacon.

Last month's photograph, kindly lent by David and Jean Ryland, showed a very august group of Painswick musicians dressed



in smart attire and proudly displaying their instruments. We believe that the white-whiskered gentleman sitting in the centre of the front row was the Rev. W.H.Seddon and that this was the Painswick Brass Band. Although we do not have an exact date the picture was probably taken in the early 1920s.

If you have a photograph which you think would pose a challenge to readers, please get in touch.

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Letters

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New book

Richard Falconer RIBA writes, and the Beacon is pleased to commend:

Your readers may be interested to know about a new book 'Cotswold Arts and Crafts Architecture' by Catherine Gordon, published by Phillimore & Co. It covers the Painswick Centre and the later function room, Sidney Barnsley's Alms Houses, the Gyde House, and the Bath House at the south-east corner of The Cross, which includes a reproduction of the original drawing.

There is extensive coverage of the work of Detmar Blow. The book also mentions the work of my late grandfather Thomas and, briefly, my father Peter.



The Sue Ryder Care

Leckhampton Court Hospice Christmas Fair takes place on 7th November from 9.45am to 12 Noon at the Town Hall.

There will be cakes, roulades (which can be ordered on the day or before for Christmas), savouries, chutneys and mincemeat; blackcurrant, gooseberry jam and marmalade, plus our usual super raffle, good quality bric-a-brac, gifts, Christmas cards and books.

Festive fare will include home made mince pies or biscuits with tea, coffee or hot chocolate - including second helping! - for £1.50 per person. Children free.

Sue Ryder Care - Leckhampton Court Hospice supports people with cancer and other potentially life limiting conditions; it is the only hospice in the county able to offer in-patient care 24 hours a day. We aim to meet the needs of the whole person, their family and carers, with the support and expertise of our multi-professional specialist palliative care team.

In addition to our inpatient unit we also offer a Hospice at Home Service, and Day hospice services which include multi-professional assessment; rehabilitation, and a range of complementary therapies. In support of families we also have a Family Support Service, including a Bereavement Programme.

We make no charge for our services however we need to raise £1 million a year in voluntary donations to run the hospice so we therefore rely on the support of our local community through donations and our own fundraising to continue to provide local people with such exceptional care.

It will have been open for 30 years next year, so please come and support this our only fund raising in Painswick this year. Donations of money, raffle prizes or gifts will be gratefully received, collection might be possible. Items may be left with:

- Ann Williams, Milton Cottage, Vicarage Street, tel. 812344
- Anne Leoni, 2 Hyett Close, tel. 812521
- Helen Baker, 12 Berry Close, tel. 813091

Anne Leoni, Group Co-ordinator



Royal Oak the toast of CAMRA

CAMRA has judged The Royal Oak at Painswick one of the very best pubs in the Five Valleys for a pint.

The pub is a new entry in the 2010 Good Beer Guide, published last week by the Campaign for Real Ale, and CAMRA members were on hand to toast the launch of the Guide and the pub's inclusion in it. It is one of only nine pubs in the area chosen for the range and quality of their real ales by Stroud CAMRA.

The Guide lists 4,500 of the best pubs in Britain for real ale, all nominated by local CAMRA members, serving beers from more than 700 breweries. Since the 2009 edition, 71 new breweries have opened.

Bob Jeffrey, a CAMRA member from Painswick and a regular at The Royal Oak, praised the transformation in the pub's fortunes. 'Shelagh and her team have turned The Royal Oak around. It was always a lovely pub, but the range and quality of the beers used to leave something to be desired.'

These days the pub sells mostly Stroud Brewery beers and also real cider from Thatchers of Somerset.

To qualify for inclusion in the Guide, pubs are visited unannounced at least three times a year. All the ales are tasted, evaluated and scored. In addition, individual CAMRA members file report cards when they drop in for a pint.

'The Royal Oak is a hidden gem in the back lanes of Painswick,' says Tim Mars of CAMRA and Stroud Civic Society, 'with an intimate wood-panelled public bar and a large lounge with huge stone fireplaces. Unusually, the access to the back yard/outdoor drinking area is via a passage through the servery. The yard is a veritable museum of curiosities featuring rare enamel signs from the original Stroud Brewery and the inn-sign of a long-lost pub, The Adam and Eve at Paradise. On a summer's day it is a glorious suntrap.'

The Black Horse at Amberley, Stroud CAMRA's Pub of the Year for 2008, is also new to the Good Beer Guide this year, while other pubs chosen for the Guide by Stroud CAMRA include The Woolpack in Slad.



'Dark Tales'

the perfect alternative to Halloween

The Painswick Centre is hosting the 'Dark Tales of Gloucestershire', a show based on traditional, local folk tales, on Friday 30th October. This hour-long popular show from the Spaniel in The Works Theatre Company retells these stories in an extremely funny and exciting way using music, dance, rhyme and puppets.

From the royal intrigue of the Bisley boy, to the sad tale of the 'ghost' pub of Dursley, and the incredible Sea Serpent of Coombe Hill, Dark Tales of Gloucestershire is an ideal entertainment for family audiences. (We are advised that this show is suitable for children aged 5 and over). For further information, please contact Wendy Workman, tel. 814022.

Doors open 7:00pm. Bar & refreshments. Performance starts 7:30pm. Ticket price £6.00. Family Ticket £20 (to include children age 15 or under).

Please purchase tickets in advance from The Chairman or, subject to availability, on-the-door.

Jane Rowe

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New tennis courts

Anyone who has been down to Broadham recently will be aware that work on the club's two new courts is well under way. Funded with support from the LTA and Sport England, the additional courts have been long in the planning - water mains needing to be diverted, the footpath realigned and a new electricity supply installed - so it is gratifying to see, at long last, the negotiations, discussions and paperwork become a reality. The new courts are scheduled to be in action by the end of the year.



Gloucestershire County Closed Tournament

A large contingent of Painswick LTC juniors spent the last week of their summer holidays at East Glos Club for the C&G Gloucestershire County Closed Tournament. Whether competing, spectating, or merely there for the socialising, all had an enjoyable few days, even if the mixed doubles and barbecue evening had to be cancelled due to rain.

Alicia Barnett won the Girls' U18 and U16 Singles, as well as the U16 doubles when she and her partner beat Flora McFarlane and partner. Megan Butterworth and her playing partner took the Girls' U18 title. David Reid came runner up in the U18 Boys' Singles, and Dam Omnes in the U16 competition.

In the U12 competition, Lara Fair and her partner got to the final of the Girls' Doubles. Matthew Bell was runner up in the U10 Boys' Singles, but went on to win the Doubles, and Tom Carter won the U9 Boys' Singles.

There were also wins for Painswick in the Consolation Events with Robert Sidwell winning the U16 Boys' event, and Sophie Barnett the U14 Girls'. A huge 'well done' to everyone, and a big 'thank you' to the club coaches for their part in the club's successes.

Jillie Speed



Tennis

Our picture shows Painswick Juniors enjoying Finals' Day.

Left to right: Megan Butterworth, Lara Fair, Sophie Barnett, Douglas Fair, Robert Smithson and Alicia Barnett.

Cricket

Painswick Cricket Club held their annual end of season dinner recently. The event attracted a very good attendance which reflected the club's excellent 2009 season. Club Chairman Steve Pegram in his report thanked those who had done so much to support the club both on and off the field. He introduced the awards which were as follows: First Eleven Player of the Year: James Harber; Second Eleven: Paul Morris; Third Eleven: Richard Coates; Most Improved Player: Ryan Neville; Young Player of the Year: Nick Fenwick. Wayne Lee received the Clubman of the Year award.

Rugby

Painswick began the 2009/10 season with an excellent league performance against the Bristol side Aretians. The cherry and whites tries came through Jake Saunders (two), captain Austen Smith, Dominic Barnard and Will Leicester with the latter being successful with four conversions and a penalty. The final score was Painswick 36 Aretians 5.

There was disappointment for Painswick the following Saturday (19th September) in that their Junior Vase match against another Bristol side, Broad Plain, had to be called off because their opponents could not raise a team. It does mean that Painswick are through to the next round. Painswick United's match on the same day also ended in disappointment as sadly the game had to be abandoned because of a potentially serious injury to one of the players.

Last Saturday at Broadham against Chipping Sodbury the Painswick supporters were treated to a fine exhibition of open rugby by the first fifteen with the three-quarter line combining well to create a number of scoring opportunities. The game had barely started when Tom Mahendran crossed the visitors' line wide out for an unconverted try. Although the visitors mounted a number of promising attacks, unlike Painswick, their rugby was over complicated and they managed to score just the one try. Playing with considerable confidence Painswick led by 19 points to 5 at half-time through further tries from Matt Coombes and Freddie Hodgson, both converted by Will Leicester. In the second half the Painswick added to their total with tries from Russell Thorton and Austen Smith both converted by Will Leicester who also kicked a penalty goal giving the cherry and whites a 36 to 5 points victory.

Painswick have started the new season well and if they continue to play this type of attacking rugby look set to have a very successful year.

On the same day Painswick United lost to a well organised Gordon League side by 15 points to five in a Citizen Merit Table Division 2 match.

- October fixtures** [(L) indicates Gloucestershire League Division 1, (M) Citizen Merit Table].
 Sat 3rd. (L) Ashley Down 1st XV v Painswick 1st XV. Painswick United v Gloucester All Blues.
 Sat 10th. (L) Painswick 1st XV v Dursley 1st XV. (M) Berry Hill United v Painswick United.
 Sat 17th. (L) Bishopston 1st XV v Painswick 1st XV. (M) Painswick United v Stroud Nomads.
 Sat 24th. Bream 2nd XV v Painswick United.
 Sat 31st. (L) Painswick 1st XV v Longlevens 1st XV. (M) Painswick United v Dursley 2nd XV.
 November
 Sat 7th. (L) Bream 1st XV v Painswick 1st XV. (M) Cirencester 2nd XV.

Table tennis

An enthusiastic group of Table Tennis players gathered for their first games at the Painswick Centre on 18th September, with expressions of interest from others who hope to join in the next few weeks. Players of all abilities and ages are welcome to join the group.

We play from 7.00 - 9.00 p.m. in the Main Hall and a charge at the introductory rate of £3.50 per person is made for each evening played. For further information, please ring me on 812464.

We have our first table on loan. Subject to continuing support, the Trustees of the Painswick Centre will be discussing the purchase of a further table at their late September meeting.

David Linsell Trustee, Painswick Centre

Under 12s Football

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Painswick got off to a flyer with their first game of the season. For a team that have not played a match together they gelled surprisingly well. Painswick attacked from the start and were rarely troubled at the back. Alex Evans played the ball from defence to Tom Coultas in the middle who played a great through ball to Paul Jones who opened his account with a well struck goal. Cal Lazarus, who had a tremendous game and was awarded Man of the Match, hit the ball in the box and Dominic Perris fired in the rebound. Goal number three was created by the goalkeeper Nathan Fagg as he hit the ball over the top to Dominic who struck a smashing volley. Goal four was laid back by Josh Newton to Cal outside the box who hit a ferocious strike in the top corner. Blake Peacey was unlucky not to score as a perfectly headed goal was disallowed for pushing. Goal five was a great passing move from Josh to Paul who dragged the ball back across the goal and Cal lashed it in. The half finished with goal number six with another well taken corner from Paul and Dominic notched up his hat-trick with a fine far post header.

The second half started quickly again with the 'keeper parrying a shot from Josh but Tom growing in confidence as the game went on had the intelligence to follow up quickly and coolly placed the ball past the 'keeper. Dominic got his fourth from a low strike. Richard came up from defence to get on the score sheet with a low placement. Cal then completed his hat-trick from a long range free kick as he hit a belter into the roof of the net. Tom scored number eleven and his second with another cool finish as he side footed to the left of the 'keeper. A brilliant start and very promising for the future.

Howard Davis

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Playgroup

The new term has started and Painswick Playgroup is busier than ever with over 45 children on this years register! The Playgroup is now open all day



on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday and just mornings on a Wednesday - to allow the parent and toddler group to meet in the afternoon. So there is a morning session and afternoon session, with a new lunch club in between. With these new changes and additional hours, the Playgroup welcomes new staff member Sarah Slinger, who joins Beaty, Sarah, Sharron, Caroline and Linsey as a valued new addition to this great team.

Pictured from left to right, Sarah Slinger, Beaty Bell, Sarah Taylor, Sharron Andrews, Caroline Gardiner & Linsey Grant.

Emma Bradshaw



Some extracts from Janet Hoyle's first newsletters to parents this term:

INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS

There are lessons continuing in brass, woodwind and strings.

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Woodwind: Miss Atkinson - Fridays **Recorder:** Mrs Mills - Fridays **Guitar:** Mrs Mills - Fridays

HELPING IN SCHOOL

We are always very grateful for help in school, either to work with the children or to help with administrative tasks. Please contact me or your child's teacher if you are able to carry out this important role for the school. We would be very happy to hear from anyone who would like to hear children read or to help to keep the school library organised.

PARKING IN CHURCHILL WAY

I have been contacted by two local residents who have concerns about parents parking outside the school. Please make sure that you arrive in plenty of time to find a safe place to park, be careful how fast you drive and be considerate towards our neighbours and their access to their properties. I remind you that the staff car park is not to be used by parents at the beginning or end of the school day.

PRIORITIES FOR THE YEAR

During this year we will be continuing to develop our work on assessment and personalising children's learning. This does not mean that each individual child will have a personal and individual programme of work. It is about ensuring that teachers have a good understanding of each child's knowledge and skills and of how each child can best be helped to learn in order to make most progress. It is also about developing each child's personal and social skills as well as academic and about the giving of as many opportunities as we can. Central to this is to involve the child in the whole process, so that they develop as confident learners, successfully able to work both collaboratively with others and alone. We will

be involved in 'Assessing Pupil Progress' projects for both English and Maths to help us further develop this work. One focus will be to look in detail at the opportunities we offer for our gifted and talented children.

Phonics will be taught in a slightly different way this year, with groups across the infant classes taught daily by the teachers and teaching assistants. Some children in year 3 who need reinforcement of phonic skills will also be involved in these groups.

We will continue to have individual and class targets for writing, but we are also going to put a focus on the teaching of spelling, which we identified last year as being a relative weakness in our children's writing. We will be reviewing the use of spelling lists and tests, so you may see some changes in what your child is asked to do at home.

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

There are plans going ahead to build a Children's Centre at The Croft. This will not be a child care provision, but an administrative centre for all services for pre-school children in our local area. We also have plans in the pipeline for a new small school meals kitchen at the front of the school that will access straight onto the hall, providing a serving hatch directly to the hall rather than food being wheeled across in a trolley. I will give you more information once plans are agreed

HOUSE CAPTAINS

Our House Captains until Christmas will be: **Beacon** - Toby Bullingham, **Juniper** - William Jackson, **Rudge** - Georgina Churchley

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If you shop online anyway then why not raise valuable extra funds for us by using this fantastic scheme. All you need to do is visit: <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/croftsch> and when you register, select The Croft Primary School as the organisation you wish to support.

A lesson in bluffing for the Local History Society



A bluffer's guide to church architecture – that's how Mr Barry Simon introduced his presentation at the first meeting of the PLHS new season of talks. However, what followed was far from superficial and left the members feeling enlightened and fired up, ready to start really looking at the tell-tale features that assist understanding. It was about how to read the architecture.

Little remains from before the 8th century and many Saxon churches were replaced by the Normans. Within the county however, there are a few good examples of Saxon features. One such is Deerhurst Church with its narrow Saxon tower and internal doorways and windows. Rough cut stone, not always matching, and little decoration are typical, and, as at Beckford, rough diagonal stonework, long and short stone corners, and pilasters, lintels and arches made from a single piece of stone are common.

Norman churches are generally larger, superbly carved and more ornate, though the arches are similar to their Saxon predecessors. Stanton church has classic Norman pillars, at Beverston there are excellent stone carvings on the pillars and Elkstone has a beautiful carved arched chancel. Centuries later the Victorians managed to produce only very poor imitations of this beautiful work.

After this (the Romanesque) period which ended about 1175 came the Gothic or Early English style. The most noticeable difference is the pointed rather than rounded arches. With glass becoming popular early lancet windows were very narrow, be they single, double or triple. Decorated styles followed from about 1250-1350 with bigger windows, complicated tracery as at Bishops Cleeve and trefoil shape to windows. St Mary's in Cheltenham has fantastic examples of geometric work and the Cathedral has lovely examples of rose windows, ball flowers etc.

Perpendicular style followed, found only in Britain. All features are tall as at Northleach, and at Stanton with its perpendicular rood screen and font, and indeed the Cathedral which boasts the biggest perpendicular window, the tallest in Europe. Perpendicular additions to towers, usually crenellations, reflected wool money and gradually window tops flattened. This period ended about 1540. Few new churches were built during the next two centuries though there were many adaptations e.g. the removal of rood screens and whitewashing. Upleadon and Purton with their wooden frames were built in Tudor times and Dumbleton saw many Tudor installations.

The Jacobean period lasted from about 1600-1700 and mainly featured furniture details with little building in the county. Georgian style followed from about 1700-1840 with Tetbury as a good example of a town church. Many new churches at this time were privately built by the rich and styles are therefore very individual. The Victorians, so often lambasted for their building work, in fact were faced with both dilapidated existing churches and an explosion in urban growth. Although many historic features were destroyed in the process of modernisation many churches were saved. A multitude of styles emerged, plucked from all previous periods.

Mr Simon's presentation was certainly stimulating and roused a new enthusiasm in many of those present. The next meeting will take place at the Croft School on Tuesday, 20 October, 7.30pm when Mr Ron Patterson will talk about local eminent Victorians. Everyone is welcome.

Carol Maxwell

Auction of Favours to help CLIC Sargent

Lawrence Llewellyn Bowen and his wife Jackie will be guests at a black tie dinner held at Richmond Painswick on Saturday 14th November. After dinner will be an Auction of Favours to raise funds for CLIC Sargent. If you would like to join us for a champagne reception, 3 course dinner, light entertainment and of course the all important auction, please purchase tickets from Richmond Painswick Reception price is £29.95 a head with £10 of every ticket going direct to CLIC Sargent. Any enquiries to Melissa Gough-Rundle 01452 813902.

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Jane's Open Invitation

Jane Garbett really likes people to come and look at the art work in her studio. Almost tucked away in Vicarage Street opposite the Friends Meeting House, the studio is an absolute delight. With good lighting and proportions it provides an excellent viewing space for Jane's work, attractively displayed and changed on a regular basis. However, the Vicarage Street studio is more than just a gallery.

Jane came to art relatively late. After leaving school in Shrewsbury where she grew up, she worked in training for British Telecom. She married Chris, had her two children – Ben now 17 and Abigail now 15 – and they all moved to Painswick 15 years ago because of Chris' job with Nuclear Electric. When Abigail started attending play group Jane joined a recreational art class at Stroud College, a completely new pastime for her. So this was the beginning. With some trepidation, because, as she points out, it is somewhat daunting as an adult student amongst school leavers, she embarked on a full-time foundation course at Stroud and then went on to



take a degree at UWE in Bristol. This experience as an adult student has been invaluable when it comes to teaching.

Jane runs classes in Painswick and this is a real joy for her. She has a great understanding of the nerves and anxieties which adult learners experience, especially those new to the subject, and this informs to a great extent her approach to teaching. The classes are organised in six week blocks, each themed and highly structured. With six students per class and three classes a week, Jane tries first and foremost to develop skills. She takes pleasure from seeing her students progressing and simultaneously enjoying the companionable nature of the sessions. "My students range from complete beginners to those with experience, and people with all sorts of agendas from serious to social," she says.

She likes being in a position to be able to both teach and paint. Her own work is primarily abstract and semi-abstract inspired by nature and natural forms, and Jane talks about it with passion. In preparing a body of work for show recently, she focused on emotional responses to nature. There is generally an emotional input into her work, an emotional interpretation and an emotional relationship. This of course



involves her own communication aim and the interpretation made by the viewer.

All her clean work is executed in the studio where the classes also take place and her work is displayed. Upstairs there is an attic studio, her own space "where I can make a mess," she explains. The main studio though is open for anyone to call in. She sees it as an area serving several purposes. "It's where I can make my own assessment and gauge my students' reactions to my work, teach, display and sell." She likes the community involvement, coming to her space and not necessarily to buy. She wants people to come in regardless of knowledge or intention, just to look and chat and have a coffee.

Jane Garbett's work is of a very high standard. She is a lady who is serious about what she does but wants to share the joy of art. Her delightful studio is a little gem and clearly signed outside. You just need to ring the bell, Jane is usually in. It's well worth a visit.

Carol Maxwell

Historic Pitchcombe

Would anyone be interested in joining a small group of people in helping to write the history of Pitchcombe?

A version was drawn up some 25 years ago and it would be good if this could be updated and added to by people with local knowledge. If you are interested please contact the writer who will act as coordinator.

Philippa James Pitchcombe Parish Council

Date for your Diary



Friday 25th June 2010.
Sheepscombe Midsummer Ball at the Grand Marquee Sheepscombe Village Hall.
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57th Annual Show Main awards at the Show on 12th September



The Wally Brooks Challenge Trophy - potatoes
Challenge Cup - potatoes, carrots, onions
The E.H. Chandler Plate - vegetable not listed
Special Prize - fruit
Diploma for Excellence in Horticulture - all classes
John Chandler Memorial Challenge Trophy
- vegetables and fruit
The JS Dent Challenge Cup - hybrid tea rose
The Felicity Sharwood-Smith Rose Bowl - multi-head rose
The Christine Arnold Memorial Prize
- decorative trees or shrubs
Special Prize presented by G. Gaugain - foliage pot plant
The Bill Wear Challenge Cup - flowering pot plant
Diploma for Excellence in Horticulture - plants
The Banksian Medal
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The Painswick Horticultural Society Challenge Cup
- flower arrangement
Special Prize presented by Capt. Mannering in
memory of Isobel Mannering - small arrangement
Challenge Cup - miniature arrangement
Certificate of merit for Floral Art - best in decorative section
Challenge Cup presented by F. Sharwood-Smith
(best in Junior section)
Special Prize presented by Painswick Country Market
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Challenge Cup presented in memory of Mrs. Hilda Musty
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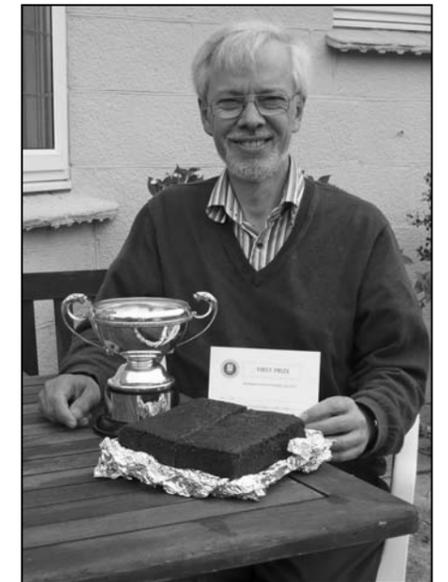
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Ginger cake man!

Ladies, watch out!
Here we have, in culinary parlance, the 'new kid on the block'.

Charles Dorman, at his first (but assuredly not his last) attempt, not only won the prestigious men-only cake class in the Show, but there was an even greater prize in store. The several ginger cakes baked by the men were judged to have upstaged the many delicious concoctions prepared by the ladies - exotic decorations, and all - so while I can claim to having helped that cause, it is to Charles that the accolade was rightly awarded (I think).

LWB



Painswick in Bloom

The awards for 2009 were made at the Show. We caught David Winstone Ursell, winner of the business trophy from Painswick Hairdressers, receiving his from President of the Society Brenda Dunn.

That for containers at a private residence went to Mrs Lorraine Watson in 6 Whitehorse Lane, a truly remarkable display of vivid colours.

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1999 - 2009 and birds



Congratulations on your 10th!

It is a particular pleasure to mark both the end of a successful 10th. year in the life of the Club and the autumn start of an annual programme that 'augers' well! Original usage made observations of birds imperative, the oracles to be heard, he future divined!

Birds feature more significantly in local history than we perhaps suppose? The Roman craftsmen B.C., working the Woodchester pavement, portrayed birds, to us fantastical, mythological, to them the focus of priestly reading of the future. A mere 2,000 years later, came the era of Edward Jenner of Berkeley, FRS not for his epic contribution in showing the efficacy of vaccination but for his experimental observations on the wickedness of the cuckoo! And around WW2 but a few miles away, Peter Scott flying high over the Severn Estuary, first visualised the now famous Slimbridge WWT.

So much for the historical context, recalling man's perpetual fascination with bird life. To recall such scope and grandeur is to describe the enthusiastic endeavour within the club but from a posture of enquiry and humility rather than to create a member image of the great intellectual, wonderfully attired and esoterically equipped! Thus the simplicity of the Bird Club name.

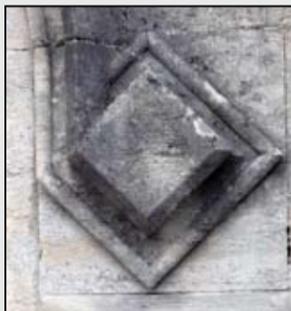
Over the last ten years we have been transported to the Arctic and the Antarctic, to Europe and the Americas, literally to the ends of the earth ~ from St. Kilda's to the Forest of Dean~ and just as enjoyably! We have been treated to great sight and sound and all without leaving the comfort of the town hall in winter but sometimes also at seasonal forays for study of the birds, their behaviour and habitat. Another highlight in the last three years, has been the introduction of weekend field trips to the Exe Estuary, to Stoborough Heath and Brownsea, lately to the Avalon Marshes and the Mendips. Huge credit must go to Joy Elworthy, our programme organiser since inception of the club.

We now much look forward to another auspicious occasion on Tuesday, 13th. October at 7.30 pm in the town hall when David Boag ~ author, photographer, lecturer and safari-leader ~ will give us insights into the "Wildlife and Beauty of Working Quarries" in an undoubtedly elegant presentation. We look forward to meeting again all our members and as usual visitors will made most welcome (£3 admission).

Wendy and Martin Addy

Beacon subscribers		
as at 21st September	2009 - 2010	This date last year
New or renewed after lapsing	72	62
Renewed from last year	492	514
Total including postal	564	576

ArchiTecs



Last month we asked if you knew where you could find the first of two inscribed dates - that for 1806. We also wondered

why there was a second one for 25 years later and appreciated an immediate response from Hywel James who said "The date of 1806 is on the Baptist Chapel. The other date is 1831. I believe that the first date is the date on which the building was constructed by the Wesleyan Methodists. The second date is the date on which it was purchased from the Methodists by the Baptists".

Which does not lead us to this month's 'I spy' test. But just where have you seen this carving?



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Leukaemia and Chemotherapy in Gloucester

Elizabeth Warland has drawn attention to the pressures within which the Edward Jenner Department for leukaemia and intensive chemotherapy operates in Gloucester Royal Hospital, with patients needing to wait in congested corridors and the rooms themselves cramped for the increasing number of patients. She goes on to say "I have been told that they have to raise at least part of the money required before rebuilding can take place". To that end a Jenner Day Unit Appeal was set up, and Elizabeth and friends are determined to do what they can to contribute - with a little help from this community.

Several local businesses have kindly donated to the fund and raffle prizes, and the local event will be a **coffee morning on Saturday 24th October** in the Town Hall from 10.00am until noon.

In addition to a Bring-and-Buy stall there will be a superb raffle, Bric-a-Brac, cakes and preserves - not forgetting coffee and some food, and all for £1.00.



Library news

Well done everyone who took part in this year's Summer Reading Challenge! 80 children started the challenge and a record 65 completed the challenge and received their medals. There were record turnouts at the four craft sessions during the holidays and some very good competition entries.

Baby Bounce continues to grow with up to eight children and carers attending on Tuesday afternoons at 2.30 pm. Do come and join us. We include a brief story for older pre-schoolers as well.

Storytime on 20th October at 3.45 pm will be a Roald Dahl Event, whilst in November, for younger Primary children, we will be celebrating 20 years of Elmer the Elephant.

Calling all Crime Readers: We have just exchanged nearly 80 books with other libraries so there should be some fresh titles.

Other news: We are in the process of putting in some extra shelf units to take some more stock, both fiction and non-fiction - well as quickly as your library staff can wield their screwdrivers!

We are in the process of arranging two events for adults featuring local non-fiction authors. They will take place during normal opening hours and we do ask that you do your utmost to support them.

It has been suggested that a knitting circle might like to meet in the library during opening hours. We have both space and facilities to make a drink. If anyone is interested please contact Kath or Lesley.

Thank you for all your support during the past few months. We look forward to serving you in Painswick in the future.

Kath, Lesley and Sheila



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BEACO-DOKU Derived from Sudoku, Beaco-doku replaces the numbers with letters.

Last month's answer used the letters from FRUITY - as you can see, bottom right.

October always makes us think of conkers. So, if you're ready to get cracking, see if you can fill the blank squares in the grid below so that each column, each row and each block of six squares contains each of the six letters, C-O-N-K-E-R, without repetition.

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October News

I have received numerous messages in recent weeks about an alarming "scam" which have been going on in our area. Older people are being targeted generally by phone, by a company alleging to be either linked with Social Services, the Health Service or the County Council in order to give them credence. They then try to set up a home appointment to sell you mobility equipment. One of my colleague's clients was called in this way just after she'd had a genuine assessment by an occupational therapist from social services and so she presumed her details had been passed on and made the appointment (this would never happen). Fortunately she mentioned it to her Village Agent who called the police and when the "salesman" turned up, he was met by them all!

The representatives do not have any qualifications to help them assess a client's needs.

The sales pitch can be quite lengthy and the goods offered are not always appropriate to your condition or needs, and are highly priced. Gloucestershire County Council Trading Standards Service and Adult Social Care have confirmed that these businesses do not have any link with the council or the health service and are warning people to be alert to this misleading practice. Please inform the police if anyone contacts you in this way and report it to the local Trading Standards office on 01452.426200. Similarly, please alert the police if you get door to door salesmen selling items such as cleaning products, as these calls often precede a wave of crime in an area.

If you are concerned about living on your own, call me and I will visit you and we will see together what help is available to suit your needs. Something as simple as a door chain or personal alarm can make a difference to peace of mind.

On a much cheerier note, I have been informed that there have been some wonderful natural history walks arranged through The Stroud Valleys Project specifically for people with hearing impairments. The programme of natural history walks is designed for people who would like to carry on exploring and enjoying the countryside despite their disability. The walks are less than a mile long and carefully worked out to suit the group's needs. Stroud Valleys Project arranged to train 20 volunteers as hearing guides, who can offer support and countryside interpretation. BSL signing can be provided if necessary. Each walk has a different wildlife or natural history angle and most walks end in one of the local cafés. Lifts can be arranged. For more details please contact Ivi Szaboova on 01453.753358, ivi@stroudvalleysproject.org or 07876.050878.

Lou Kemp 07776.245767

PROPERTY REPORT for September from Hamptons

Heaven forbid that anyone should trust an estate agent's opinion but no one can argue with the impressive data. In our opinion the market presently offers a fantastic window of opportunity for sellers. But then we would say that wouldn't we? Let me qualify it then: year on year the Country division have put 32% fewer homes up for sale and yet we have sold 54% more properties than 2008. Although we are still not at the heady sales volume of 2007, we aren't far off; just 16% down as it happens and not a bad recovery from the 60% drop that the industry reported last year. In fact we are selling at about the same rate as we did in 2005 and 2006 (both considered to be good years). We are seeing properties coming onto the market at realistic prices which is also helping increase the interest of good quality buyers. I anticipate more property coming onto the market as owners recover enough equity to climb the ladder. This will satisfy demand and slow the rate of price growth. So Hamptons don't predict a better time to be able to deliver an excellent sale for our clients and added to this all our properties will go to our London property exhibition on October 15th so if you would like your property to go call us for a free market appraisal on 812354.

We have been valuing some exciting properties which are now starting to come onto the market. An excellent example of this is Pitchcombe Mill a fine Grade two listed mill with magnificent mill pond in a popular village. Merrills, a four bedroom house in the centre of Painswick, Maisie Cottage Vicarage Street a beautifully presented three bedroom cottage with enviable views. 6 Churchill Way four bedroom detached house with garage and garden in need of modernisation. 3 Brookhouse Mill, four bedroom detached family home off Tibbiwell, Beechcote an impressive detached home on the Longridge.

Property currently under offer Pear Tree Cottage Stroud Road, Fletchers Knapp Elcombe, The Old Bake House Colethorp, Evenlode Brimpsfield, Alderley The Highlands, 1 Abbotswood Nuthill, Double Gates Edge Road, Old Forge Cottage Butt Green, Phoenix house Tibbiwell Lane. Properties now sold Park Edge Barn Cheltenham Road, Oak house Hambutts Drive, Sunnycroft Hollyhock lane, Rose Cottage Vicarage Street, Colethorp Court Farm Cottage.

Naomi Whitcher, Senior Negotiator



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Painswick Singers

In the September Beacon we indicated that the Painswick Singers would perform 'Pirates of Penzance' on 31st October.

Unfortunately, this is not correct. We shall be performing 'HMS PINAFORE' that evening at 7.30pm in Painswick Centre. This will be raising funds both for the Singers and The Family Haven.

Tickets are priced at £10 each (to include 'nibbles' as usual). The bar will be open from 7.00pm. Tickets available from 'The Chairman' shop (810820), the Family Haven (01452.422971) and members of the Painswick Singers.

The performance will be followed by mince pies & mulled wine in the Hall

Angela Newing

Enigmatic Bletchley Park

Probus are planning a trip to what was an installation pivotal to the outcome of the war on Monday 9th November, leaving Stamages Lane Car Park at 8.30am.

Although the request for seats on their coach is likely to be high, anyone interested in adding their name to a list in case there is a vacancy should get in touch with Ken Gibson on kayjaygibson@yahoo.com or telephone 01452.372326

The Painswick Beacon detailed as far as space permits

THE VILLAGE DIARY

OCTOBER

Sat	3	Painswick Beacon Conservation Group scrub clearance working party. (location check 812709)	Painswick Beacon	10.00am to 1.00pm
		Painswick Music Society AGM: followed by Recital by Robina Sabourin & Robert Burgess	Church Rooms	7.00pm
Mon	5	Community Lunch: Hosts - Country Markets Yoga (Mondays) contact Kim 812623	Christ Church Hall Sheepscombe Vill. Hall	12 noon to 1.15pm 6.30 to 8.00pm & 8.15 to 9.45pm
Tue	6	Dog Training Club (Tuesdays)	Christ Church Hall	9.30 to 12.00noon
Wed	7	Yoga (Wednesdays) contact Kim 812623 Probus: The Archers at Poitiers 1356 - Ian Shapter Bingo: Wednesdays - Tel. Ann, 813911/Liz, 813139	Sheepscombe Vill. Hall Shires Room, Falcon Painswick Centre	9.30 to 11.00am 10.00am 7.30 to 10.00pm
Thu	8	Yoga - All Abilities (Thursdays) Cotswold Room 812623 T'ai Chi: Thursdays - Contact 01452 813072 Jolly Stompers Line Dancing: Beginners - Thursdays Experienced beginners - Thursdays	Painswick Centre Town Hall Town Hall Town Hall	9.30 to 11.00am 9.30am 12.00 to 1.00pm 12.30 to 1.30pm
Fri	9	Country Market - Coffee available - Every Friday Friday Club: "Mazes & Labyrinths" - Angela Newing	Town Hall Town Hall	10.00am 2.30pm
Sat	10	Friday Club Coffee Morning - CANCELLED		
Mon	12	Community Lunch: Hosts - St Mary's Church	Christ Church Hall	12 noon to 1.15pm
Tue	13	Reflections upon theme of peace (p.6) Bird Club: The Wildlife & Beauty of Working Quarries - David Boag Voskresenije (Resurrection) Russian Choir (p.3)	Catholic Church Town Hall St Mary's Church	9.00am to 6.00pm 7.30pm 7.30pm
Wed	14	Horticultural Society: Autumn colour & Interest in the garden	Town Hall	7.30pm
Thu	15	Music Appreciation Group: George Lloyd - presented by Ian Hiscock	Cotswold Room, Painswick Centre	7.30pm
Sat	17	Painswick Beacon Conservation Group scrub clearance working party. (location check 812709)	Painswick Beacon	10.00am to 1.00pm
Mon	19	Community Lunch: Hosts - Parish council	Christ Church Hall	12 noon to 1.15pm
Tue	20	Painswick FM - radio possibilities (p.1) Local History Society: Sheepscombe Victorians - Ron Patterson	Town Hall Croft School	10.30am 7.30pm
Wed	21	Probus: The History of Cheltenham - Susan Newton	Shires Room, Falcon	10.00am
Fri	23	Friday Club Outing to The Cotswold Perfumery, Bourton on the Water		
Sat	24	Copy dateline for November Beacon Conservatives Bridge Drive Coffee Morning in aid of GRH Leukaemia & Chemotherapy Dept. (p.15)	Town Hall Town Hall	2.00 to 6.00pm 10.00am to 12 noon
Mon	26	Community Lunch: Hosts - Christ Church	Christ Church Hall	12 noon to 1.15pm
Tue	27	Yew Trees W.I.: Nature in Art - Simon Trapnell (p.4)	Town Hall	7.30pm
Fri	30	Dark Tales of Gloucestershire, performed by Spaniel in the Works Theatre Co. (p.7) The 'Three Other Tenors' - the Welsh National Opera (p.3)	Painswick Centre St Mary's Church	7.00 for 7.30pm 7.30pm
Sat	31	Painswick Beacon Conservation Group scrub clearance working party. (location check 812709) Coffee and Crafts Theatre Club Outing to Cheltenham Painswick Singers Concert: HMS Pinafore. (p.16) Directory 2010 closing date (p.19)	Painswick Beacon Christ Church Hall Stamages Car Park Painswick Centre	10.00am to 1.00pm 10.00am to 1.00pm 1.30pm 7.30pm
NOVEMBER				
Mon	2	Community Lunch: Hosts - Dog Training Group Music Appreciation Group Concert Outing to Birmingham Symphony Hall	Christ Church Hall Birmingham	12 noon to 1.15pm 7.30pm
Wed	4	Probus: Growing up in Norway during the German occupation - Tore Fauske	Shires Room, Falcon	10.00am
Thu	5	Cotswold Care Fundraising Group	Ashwell House	2.30pm
Fri	6	Friday Club: Guests of Richmond Painswick	Richmond Painswick	2.30pm



Sat	7	November Issue of The Painswick Beacon published Sue Ryder Care Christmas Fair (p.6)	Town Hall	9.45am to 12.00noon
Mon	9	Probus to Bletchley Park (p 16) Community Lunch: Hosts - Puffins	from Stamages Lane Christ Church Hall	8.30am 12 noon to 1.15pm
Wed	11	Bird Club: A Calendar of British Wildlife - Andy Purcell	Town Hall	7.30pm
Thu	12	Music Appreciation Group: Handel - Alex Nichols	Cotswold Room, Painswick Centre	7.30pm
Sat	14	Painswick Beacon Conservation Group scrub clearance working party. (location check 812709) Christmas Shopping and Pamper Fair (enq. 814022) Black tie dinner and Auction of Favours (p.11)	Painswick Beacon	10.00am to 1.00pm
Mon	16	Community Lunch: Hosts - Catholic Church	Painswick Centre	10.00am to 5.00pm
Tue	17	Cotswold Care Fashion Show Local History Society: Folk Music and Songs of the Cotswolds - Gwilym Davies	Richmond Painswick Christ Church Hall Painswick Golf Club Croft School	12 noon to 1.15pm 7.00pm 7.30pm
Wed	18	Probus: Evolutionary Pessimisms - HG and Other Wells - Roger Hennessey Ashwell House Day Centre Coffee Morning	Shires Room, Falcon Ashwell House	10.00am 10.30am to 12.00noon
Thu	19	Churches Together AGM and Speakers	Church Rooms	7.30pm
Fri	20	Friday Club AGM followed by "Handbell Ringing" with Steve Colman	Town Hall	1.45pm (AGM)
Sat	21	Christian Aid Coffee Morning	Town Hall	10.00am to 12noon
Mon	23	Community Lunch: Hosts - Women's Fellowship	Christ Church Hall	12 noon to 1.15pm
Tue	24	Yew Trees W.I.: Annual Meeting and Talk on Traidcraft	Town Hall	7.30pm
Thu	26	Painswick Players present - Confusions by Alan Ayckbourn. (also 27th & 28th) Music Appreciation Group: Ivor Gurney - presented by Philip Lancaster	Painswick Centre Cotswold Room, Painswick Centre	7.30pm 7.30pm
Sat	28	Painswick Beacon Conservation Group scrub clearance working party. (location check 812709)	Painswick Beacon	10.00am to 1.00pm
Mon	30	Community Lunch: Hosts - Christian Aid Group	Christ Church Hall	12 noon to 1.15pm

DECEMBER

Wed	2	Probus: The Archers at Agincourt - Ian Shapter	Shires Room, Falcon	10.00am
Thu	3	Cotswold Care Fundraising Group Christmas Dinner		7.00pm
Fri	4	Friday Club Outing to Bath Christmas Market Salvation Army Brass Band Seasonal Concert - enquiries to 813228	Painswick Centre	7.30pm
Sat	5	Conservatives Xmas Party and Quiz	Town Hall	tba
Mon	7	Community Lunch: Hostess - Margaret Hodge	Christ Church Hall	12 noon to 1.15pm
Wed	9	Probus: Christmas Dinner	The Hill, Stroud	
Thu	10	Music Appreciation Group: Christmas Social	Cotswold Room, Painswick Centre	7.30pm
Sat	12	Painswick Beacon Conservation Group scrub clearance working party. (location check 812709)	Painswick Beacon	10.00am to 1.00pm
Tue	15	Yew Trees W.I.: Christmas Gathering	Town Hall	7.30pm
Fri	18	Friday Club Christmas Lunch		
Sat	19	Painswick Singers Christmas Concert: followed by mince pies & mulled wine	Christ Church	7.30pm

2010 JANUARY

Wed	6	Probus: The Severn Bore - Chris Witts	Shires Room, Falcon	10.00am
Thu	7	Music Appreciation Group: Haydn - Howard Allen	Cotswold Room, Painswick Centre	7.30pm
Tue	19	Local History Society: Early English Allotments - John Looseley	Croft School	7.30pm
Wed	20	Probus: County Air Rescue Trust Bird Club field trip to Cotswold Water Park	Shires Room, Falcon Gateway Centre	10.00am 10.30am
Thu	21	Music Appreciation Group: Surprise - Iain Cooper	Cotswold Room, Painswick Centre	7.30pm

FEBRUARY

Thu	4	Music Appreciation Group: Chamber Music - Norma Kay	Cotswold Room, Painswick Centre	7.30pm
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PLANNING MATTERS A summary of information from the Parish Council

NEW APPLICATIONS

JUBILATE, BLAKEWELL MEAD. Alterations and extension to dwelling.
OVERDALE, SLAD. Erection of replacement dwelling (revised scheme following approved application S.07/1210/FUL).

HOLCOMBE FOLLY. Erection of garden shed and greenhouse.
AMBLESIDE, THE GREEN, EDGE. Erection of extension to form sun room.

Land at DOWN FARM, SLAD. Erection of equestrian worker's dwelling.
STOCKS COTTAGE, ST. MARY'S STREET. Internal alterations.

CONSENT

BOUNDARY COTTAGE, BACK EDGE LANE, EDGE. Erection of a conservatory.
HINCHLEY, THE HIGHLANDS. Erection of extension.

DIRECTORY 2010 – last call

Each year the Beacon's free copy of the Directory of Painswick's businesses, services and societies is delivered with every copy of the December Beacon. A valuable source of information for all local residents and our visitors, it also, of course, benefits those businesses and organisations which are included. The information is also posted on our web site.

If you provide a service or run a business or society it is in your interest to ensure that the relevant details are entered in the next edition. It is also important to check that the details of existing entries are correct and up-to-date. Please let us know about any changes to be made. Likewise, we need to know now if you wish your entry to be removed.

We depend entirely on the information given to us by traders, club secretaries etc and we need those details urgently, and certainly by the end of October if you wish to be included. This is a free community resource and the information needs to be current, accurate and comprehensive.

Please send your details via the Beacon's email address beacon@painswick.net or put in the Beacon box in New Street. After the end of October will be too late.

Litmus in the pink!

We would like to say a big thank you to everybody who kept an eye out for our missing Burmese cat Litmus, who is now happily reunited with his brothers!

To all who called with sightings, and to Naomi and Dylan of Kings Mead in particular, who found Litmus in their garden and kept him in their house until we were able to come and retrieve him, we are so grateful for your help.

The Wells Family, Blakewell Mead.

Out of the Mist

The Cotswold tribute to the RNLI, as advertised last month (page 12) and being staged in Cranham is well prepared and attracting much support. The only performance still with tickets is on Saturday 31st October at 2.30pm. Contact is Norma Kay on 07720.046802 and Hazel Roberts on 812661.

Remember, all proceeds are going directly to the RNLI.

Alan Tyson

Painswick Parish Council NOTICE

ALLOTMENT WORKING GROUP

The Council agreed during its meeting held on 16th September 2009 to set up a working group consisting of 2/3 Councillors and 2 members of the public. The Working Group is to be chaired by Councillor Caroline White.

Members of the public who would like to be considered for the Working Group are kindly asked to write a letter of interest, together with reasons for wishing to be on the Working Group to the Parish Council Clerk, the Town Hall, Painswick, Stroud, Glos. GL6 6QA by 26th October 2009.

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Dynamic Yoga Class at Pitchcombe Village Hall. Classes on Tuesday evenings 7.00 to 8.30pm. All ages and abilities welcome. Class costs £8.00. Contact Rob on 01452.503262

Bath Knight powered lifting belt for sale. To be used in conventional bath. Guaranteed to work when installed. £175. Telephone 812304

Yew Dining Table; polished finish. Oval drop leaf with central pedestal. Plus four chairs (two carvers). Very good condition. £100 ono. Can deliver. Telephone 812293

Clothes Sale - Add some glamour to your Winter wardrobe. Sale starts on Tuesday 20th, ends Friday 23rd October at the Patchwork Mouse. Open 10.00am till 4.00pm each day. Enquiries 813122

Smallish sofa/comfy seating, wanted tel 812178

Lost in Kingsmill Lane or Cotswold Mead a long black "Topshop" ladies cardigan. If found please call 812951.

House to rent wanted by past Painswickians, house trained with impeccable credentials. Furnished 3/4 bedrooms, Painswick/Sheepscombe/Cranham, November to February 2010. Phone Julie Habgood on 813905 or email jso537@telus.net

Patio parasol for sale, cream fabric, wooden pole, height - 8ft, spread - 8ft. £10.00 Tel 812167.

Small economical car wanted for young first time driver. 812178

Musical Workshops for babies and toddlers at Painswick Centre on Fridays 10.00 to 10.50am. Please call Caroline Mander on 01242.520065



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The Personal Column

Rachel Taylor and Jenny Gaugain

Welcome

We would like to welcome MAI and BILL ROBSON from Northumberland now living at 5 Churchill Way,

and DILLON and VICTORIA HILL and their young son, Joe, who have come to live in Sunnycroft in Hollyhock Lane

Mrs MATCHETT who moved into 2 Churchill Way,

and Mr SNOWDEN who now lives at 15 Hyett Orchard.

Change of House

SUSIE OAKLEY and her daughters Alice and Mea have moved to Rose Cottage, Vicarage Street,

and BOB WATKIN has moved from Churchill Way to Richmond Painswick

Diamond weddings

Congratulations to DOREEN and KEITH ANDREW who have celebrated their diamond wedding in September in Richmond Painswick,

also to Professor JOHN and Mrs ALISON WEBB, also at Richmond, who celebrated their diamond wedding in September

and TOM and AUDREY CAPPER on their 60th too (pictured).



Ruby wedding

Congratulations to CAROLINE and JOHN MILNE who celebrated their fortieth wedding anniversary on 6th September

Golden wedding

Congratulations to JUDY and JULIAN REED who celebrated their golden wedding on 5th September.

Congratulations

Congratulations are in order for JAMES TOWNSEND on obtaining a First Class

Bill Bray, MBE, resident of Richmond Village, celebrated his 95th birthday on 31st August with family, friends and staff at the home. Old Cryptian Bill was able to recall with humour many memories to everyone and thoroughly enjoyed his champagne birthday lunch and special tea. The photo shows Bill opening some cards with his Granddaughter Sarah.



degree in History from the University of York,

and ALICE RICHARDSON who graduated from the University of Cardiff on 15th July having gained a 2.1 BSc Honours degree in Psychology,

also CHARLOTTE TOWNSEND on her Biology degree with Honours in Zoology from Edinburgh University

and Canon MICHAEL IRVING on his recent appointment as a Deputy Lieutenant for the County of Gloucestershire,

and to JO BEARD on recognition of her services by the Chairman's Award of the Macular Disease Society.

We also congratulate the three families resident in Painswick who have daughters currently reading medicine

ALICE UNWIN now in her 2nd year at Queen Mary's Hospital in London, daughter of Dr Jon and Mrs Sally Unwin; Jon is a GP in the county.

ANNABEL SIDWELL who is about to start her studies at Sheffield University, daughter of Phil and Michelle Sidwell;

Michelle is a consultant surgeon at Gloucester Royal Hospital,

and CARYS LEWIS starting medicine this autumn at University College London; daughter of Dr Ewart Lewis and Dr Candy Jansen.

Get well soon

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to JEAN RYLAND, FREDA HUDDLESTONE, TRISH DAVY, JACK BURGESS and LEN TAYLOR who have all not been well recently.

Condolences

Our sincere sympathies to the family and friends of ROY WELBOURN, OLGA ZBOROWSKA, PEGGY BRADSHAW, CAROLYN MURRAY and ERIC MORRISON who all died recently.

Personal messages

Pete and Emma Bradshaw would like to thank their friends and neighbours in Painswick for their love and support following the death of Peggy Bradshaw on 4th September.

Our deepest and most sincere thanks to Father Bill Watson, Terry Parker, David Archard, Kate French and Michelle Elliott.

Leslie Brotherton thanks, in more than mere words can convey, his appreciation of the many tributes to his wife Dulcie, of 53 years, and the deeply comforting words he has received.

Audrey Capper thanks all her kind friends and neighbours for their support while she was in hospital.

Tom and Audrey Capper receive best wishes on the occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary, from Mike, Graham, daughters-in-law and grandchildren.

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