

# The Painswick Beacon

*Sine praeiudicio*

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## Farewell Number 46 – new Stagecoach bus route

Today (November 1st) sees the end of an era when the last 46 Stagecoach Bus leaves Painswick. The 46 is to be replaced by the 61 which will have a changed route. The new route will provide an hourly service during the daytime on Mondays to Saturdays from Cheltenham to Dursley via Brockworth, Painswick, Stroud, Ebley, Stonehouse and Cambridge. Stagecoach report that new journeys will be introduced on Saturday evenings between Cheltenham and Stroud. Most journeys will connect with the new Service 63 for connections to Nailsworth and Forest Green. The 63 replaces Service 46 between Stroud and Forest Green plus the whole of Service 93. The new route will operate every 30 minutes during the daytime on Mondays to Saturdays. There will also be journeys up to every

hour on  
Sundays.

School  
journeys  
on service  
504 will be  
incorporated  
into the new  
timetable. Every  
hour journeys  
will connect  
with new  
Service 61  
at Stroud,  
Merrywalks  
for connections  
to Cheltenham.



The route between Gloucester, Stroud and Nailsworth will match that of the former 93 Gloucester, Stroud, Nailsworth service.

There will be disappointment that the 46 is to be replaced by the 61. There can be few if any bus services that carry the same number as the road on which they operate (A46). The 46 has been the Cheltenham – Stroud route number since Stagecoach became the operators. There are a number of other changes to bus routes in the Stroud and South Gloucester area. Stagecoach report that the changes are probably the most significant for more than 30 years. Simple timetables for the changed routes are available on the Stagecoach website [www.stagecoachbus.com/west](http://www.stagecoachbus.com/west) or from Painswick Community Library.

## Goodwill Evening

On Friday 28th November between 5pm and 9pm Painswick will host its sixth Small But Perfectly Formed Christmas Goodwill Evening. Please delay your search for Christmas presents until you've had a chance to peruse the wonderful and unique range of handmade gifts and produce that will be available at the two Christmas Markets taking place at the Town Hall and the Painswick Centre.

As darkness falls, many of our very own shops, art studios, galleries and businesses will also be opening late to attract you with their own range of Christmas inspiration and tempting you in with delicious aromas of mince pies, mulled wine and bountiful servings of Goodwill! Take a stroll around beautiful Painswick on 28th November, enjoy the warm welcome and goodwill that Painswick has to offer and discover the unique Christmas gifts you've been searching for.

*Chris Mercer*

## Fireworks

At this time of firework displays, please remember that pets and livestock can be petrified by explosions.

## Best in county

At the end of the Gloucestershire Local History Association's annual history day on 11th October in Cheltenham the announcement was made that Painswick's display had been awarded first place. This came as a wonderful surprise but also a welcome acknowledgement of all the hard work which had been involved.

The theme this year was the effects of The Great War on local communities and there were entries from the length and breadth of the county. Competition was certainly stiff with several groups presenting very attractive, professionally produced displays. However, Painswick Local History Society's entry was considered the one which overwhelmingly fulfilled all the judging criteria. It adhered closely to the theme, had a clear narrative, used verbal, pictorial and graphical presentation appropriately, included analysis as well as factual information and reflected serious research and interest throughout.

The annual history day, with its talks and the opportunity to engage with other history groups, is always interesting. Our prize for being the best is a year's free membership of the Association, a certificate and the honour of being one of the judging panel next year. The drawback is that if we present a display next year – the theme is emigration and immigration – it will not be part of the competition. The price of success!

Our winning display will be on view in St Mary's Church from 4th November.

*Carol Maxwell*

## Services of Remembrance

The annual Service of Remembrance will be held in St Mary's Church at 10.50am on Sunday 9th November. On Remembrance Day, Tuesday 11th November at 10.55am,

there will be a short service at the War Memorial during which wreaths will be laid. All local organisations are invited to participate in the wreath laying ceremony. Everyone will be most welcome at the services.



### On other pages this month:

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# PARISH COUNCIL NEWS 15th October by Terry Parker

Reports upon meetings of the Parish Council cannot help but be selective, if only because of space constraints. We try to highlight points of widest public interest, based upon what we see and hear.

The full minutes of Council and committee meetings are available for scrutiny at the Council's office.

## PLANNING COMMITTEE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ben Nicholls, Roey Parker, Abigail Smith, Emma Smith and Caroline White.

The members agreed to recommend the following applications for consent:

- 2 Painswick Heights, Yokehouse Lane. Single storey extension to dwelling

- Flat 18, Gyde House. Provision of two bedrooms and shower room in existing roof space with conservation roof lights. New staircase and new front door. The members took into account the concerns expressed by a resident.

- Fielden, Slad Road, Slad. Demolition of attached garage and replacement with two storey extension to provide additional living accommodation.

- 4 Court Orchard. Erection of two dwellings. The issue of drainage was to be addressed.

- Shetlands, Far End, Sheepscombe. Extension and alterations to a listed cottage

- Amesbury, 3 Vicarage Street. Replacement of 3 windows.

- Stonecroft, Sheepscombe. Fell 6 x Norway Spruce.

- Revised plan for Meadow Cottage, Kingsmead. Demolition of existing house and two garages. Construction of replacement dwelling, double garage and linked study wing. The members considered the details of the revised plan but resolved to maintain their objections and recommendation for refusal.

## PARISH COUNCIL

### Public Questions

There were none.

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### Matters of urgency

The Chairman referred to the substantial donation received by St Mary's Church towards the restoration of the Gravedigger's Hut. As result there was no requirement to seek a grant from the Lottery Fund.

### County Councillor's report

In his written report, Councillor Bullingham referred to the award of a £9,700 grant

from the Lottery Fund's Sharing Heritage programme. The grant will support the Gloucestershire Libraries Remembers project which will include a series of events and displays to commemorate World War One across the county over the next three years. Councillor Bullingham also referred to the need to support the A417 Loop Solution. He reported that central government would make its decision on funding for the A417 Loop in May 2015.

Councillor Ian James referred to the recent fatal accident on the A417 and said that a petition which called for government action was being prepared.

### District Councillor's report

Councillor Julie Job spoke of the parish council's concerns regarding fireworks and said that she would be asking for tighter regulations at a District Council meeting to be held the following day. Councillor Rob Lewis said there was a requirement for a qualified person to ignite explosive fireworks. Councillor Job asked why the Parish Council was to exclude members of the press and public from the "Potential Post office for Painswick agenda item".

Councillor David Oxendale explained that the reason for confidentiality was not a Parish Council requirement but that of the Royal Mail. The Clerk to the Council said that the position remained unchanged from that reported in the October issue of the Painswick Beacon. This was that discussions were taking place to provide an "Outreach" facility which required a location at which a post office service would be provided for a weekly minimum of 15 hours. Councillor Job said that the Stroud Member of Parliament had written to the Royal Mail seeking the reinstatement of a central post box. It was pointed out that the closure of the post office box changed the criteria and strengthened the case for the new box.

### Rural Environment Committee

The Council agreed to approve a budget of £500 per annum to be set aside for a programme to replace stiles with Kissing Gates. It was also agreed to "top up" the Plantation fund.

### Traffic Committee Working Group

Councillor Abigail Smith had submitted a

written report. GCC traffic surveys. These had been completed at the 5 locations agreed at the September Parish Council meeting. The results were awaited. Mobile Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS). The sign that had been purchased with Bisley Parish Council was now back in Painswick, charged up and ready for trial at the end of the month. Emergency Access Signs. 4 had been ordered and were due to arrive that week. They would be put up along Vicarage Street. The attachments associated with the signs enabled the signs to be moved to new locations as required.

### The Love Painswick Business Group.

Councillor Oxendale reported that he had been appointed Chairman of the group in succession to Councillor Abigail Smith. The group was encompassing community organisations as well as businesses. A meeting had been held on 2nd October to discuss the creation of a brand name for Painswick. A working party was to meet in November to progress the name. Visitor Surveys were to be carried out during the winter months.

### Ward reports

Councillor Martin Slinger said that he had written a report about stormwater problems at Edge. Councillor Ann Daniels reported that the foliage had been cut back alongside the footpath between The Croft and the school. Councillor Ian James reported that the stream barrier opposite the Village Hall had collapsed and that the road alongside the hall was in a poor state.

### Meeting closure

The meeting open to the public closed at 8.30pm.



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## Painswick mum jumps 10,000 feet for charity

Brave mum Vicky Mayo (26) is jumping 10,000 feet to raise money for The Croft School today, 1st November. Vicky will try to contain her nerves as she completes a tandem skydive at Salisbury Airport. "I wanted to do my bit to raise money for my children's school and this seemed like a fun challenge," said Vicky, mum to Sienna aged 7 and Ellis aged 6, both pupils at the school. "Four local businesses have paid for me to do the jump;

Anne-Marie Randall Photography, Sheepscombe Meat Hog Roasts, Si'S Perfect Fitness Stroud, and Martin & Co Cheltenham, so all sponsorship money raised goes straight to charity!"

Headteacher at The Croft, Mr Kevin Howie said, "We would like to raise £500 to revamp the school hall which is looking tired and needs updating. The money raised will be spent on a new sound system and decoration which will aid the children's performances and help them gain confidence in school plays and in assemblies".

If anyone would like to sponsor Vicky to jump they can do so by contacting The Croft School on 01452 812479 or texting VICK18£? Followed by your sponsorship amount To 70070.

Emma Bradshaw 07824 514364

*Pictured above are children from The Croft with Vicky.*

*Photo: Anne-Marie Randall Photography.*

## Parish of Painswick (Painswick Ward) Casual Vacancy

Notice is hereby given that a vacancy exists in the office of Parish Councillor for the Parish of Painswick (Painswick). Applications are invited to fill this casual vacancy on the Parish Council (Painswick Ward); applicants must be over the age of 18 years. Applicants are requested to apply in writing, including a Curriculum Vitae (CV) to the Parish Clerk, The Town Hall, Painswick, Stroud, Glos. GL6 6QA by noon on Friday 14th November 2014. If you require further information, please contact the Parish Clerk on 01452 812722.

*Roy Balgobin Clerk to the Parish Council*

## Remember Remember the 5th of November at The Croft School!



Please come and join us at The Croft School for our fabulous Fireworks and Bonfire Night on Wednesday 5th November, gates opening at 6 p.m. with fireworks at 6.45 p.m. There will be delicious hot food available to buy (jacket potatoes, hot dogs and burgers) as well as drinks, popcorn, toffee and chocolate apples, a variety of glow sticks and craft activities indoors to entertain the little ones. Tickets can be purchased on the door (£2.50 for adults, £1.50 for children) or free entry if you have a Friends of the Croft School membership card. If you are interested in buying a year's membership which will get you free entry into any of the Croft School events (including our Christmas Fayre and Summer Fete) then everyone is very welcome to join, whether you have children at the school or not. The cost is £15 and covers a year's membership for two adults and any named children under 18. If you are interested in finding out more, then please call the Chair of the Friends of the Croft, Linsey Filby on 07917114488. We look forward to welcoming all members of the community to our Fireworks Night and finally, we apologise in advance for any inconvenience caused to local residents.

*The Friends of the Croft School*

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## Grand Attic Picture Sale Friday 7th November, Painswick Centre

The local Catholic community is organising a sale and auction of pictures on Friday 7th November at the Centre. The pictures will be on view, and for sale, in the afternoon from 4pm to 6pm, followed by an auction of the best commencing at 8pm. The entrance fee during the viewing period is £1 for adults with accompanied children of school age free. For the evening of the auction, the entrance fee will be £4 including a complimentary glass of wine. It will be a fun social event with an experienced auctioneer to make it go at a slick pace.

The event is being held to raise funds for the essential repair of the roof of the Grade II Listed Building Catholic Church in Stroud, the maintenance of which is a legal requirement. If you have a picture or pictures you would wish to donate, please contact Somerset Moore (813923) or Margaret Young (812122). Larger pictures can be collected.

## Police Report

Under the Painswick Parish including Sheepscombe, Edge and Slad Districts for the period September 1st 2014 to September 30th 2014 there were nine substantiated crimes recorded. The breakdown of these offences as according to Home Office banding rules was as follows;

**Violence:** There were two offences recorded during the month which are categorised under the Home Office guidelines banded as violence. The first substantiated report was of an assault occasioning actual bodily harm on 08/09/2014. A named suspect was interviewed by Police under caution but denied the offence. There was insufficient evidence to support a realistic prospect of conviction and the crime remains undetected.

The second was recorded as a Public Order offence and the crime remains undetected.

**Sexual Offences:** A substantiated sexual assault was reported during the month. Police enquiries are ongoing into the offence.

**Burglary** There was one dwelling burglary reported on 17/09/2014.

Entry was gained to a property by the removal a glazed unit from a window frame. A semi untidy search was conducted and articles of property stolen. Enquiries are ongoing into this offence.

**Theft (Motor Vehicles):** There were three substantiated thefts from motor vehicles during the month. These thefts occurred at PAINSWICK Beacon and near BULLS CROSS on 31/08/14 and in PAINSWICK on September 11th 2014. All the offences remain undetected at this time.

**Theft:** There was one attempted theft from an automated machine at STAMAGES Lane Car Park on 02/09/2014. No entry was gained and at present this crime remains undetected pending further evidence coming to light.

**Criminal Damage:** There was one report of criminal damage to a motor vehicle in PAINSWICK Town on 26/09/2014. Police enquiries are ongoing into the offence.

With the clocks going back and with the darker evenings fast approaching, homeowners are reminded to consider their home security. A house in darkness will often attract a potential burglar and there are a range of security measures that can be considered including timing switches for lights and audio equipment.



## Zero Six Papa Two (Painswick Fire Engine's Call Sign)

November is traditionally the month of bonfires and fireworks. If you are building a bonfire make sure it is on level open ground with plenty of space around it and no overhanging trees. Put a chicken wire fence around it stop wildlife using it as a home and check it for wildlife and hiding pets before it is lit. Light it on one side only to allow any roosting birds or other wildlife a chance to escape.

If you are going to have a firework party, always follow the instructions on the box and store fireworks in a metal tin. Be especially careful with sparklers and small children as sparklers burn at temperatures between 1000°C and 2000°C and can easily set fire to clothes. Alcohol, bonfires and fireworks don't mix and remember fireworks at home carry a far greater risk of injury. Professionally organized displays are much more spectacular and less risky.

The fire crew from Painswick was recently involved in a large Hazmat (hazardous materials) exercise at Gloucester South Fire Station with fire crews from across Gloucestershire. The purpose of the exercise was to check our knowledge of operational and decontamination procedures when hazardous chemicals are found when attending an incident.

We would like to say a warm welcome to James Wheatley who joined us as a new recruit in September and is currently undergoing his basic training. He should be an operational on-call firefighter by early December and should be a fully competent firefighter toward the end of 2016.

We still have further vacancies and are always looking for suitable men and women from all walks of life to join our team. If you would like to train to be a firefighter, learn new skills and help protect your local community in the process, then please visit [http://www.glosfire.gov.uk/recruit\\_ff\\_retff.html](http://www.glosfire.gov.uk/recruit_ff_retff.html) for more information. Alternatively, contact Mark Hancock at [mark.hancock@glosfire.gov.uk](mailto:mark.hancock@glosfire.gov.uk) or 07967 3160



## Annual General Meeting 2014

The Chairman and committee of CTAP warmly invite you to their AGM on Thursday 20th November at 7pm in St. Mary's Church Rooms (Assembly Hall), Painswick.

The meeting will be followed by refreshments, and then there will be a talk given by Mr. Alastair Sammon, entitled, "Two years in Tanzania" as he and his wife, Rev Helen Sammon, have recently returned from there.

This should prove a most interesting evening. We look forward to your support – ALL are welcome.

*Rita Bishop, Secretary CTAP*

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## Buy local honey from local families at the Country Market

Painswick Country Market now features two producers of local honey. This year, we have welcomed a new supplier of honey: Michael Daly, son of Painswickian Pat Daly and brother of Gilly Hill, owner of the refurbished Hairdressers. Michael, who is pictured carefully withdrawing the superbox to check the bees and honeycomb, tends his hives at his Upton Hill home.



Jim Dickinson of Lypiatt has been our long-standing supplier of honey gathered from beehives spread across several Cotswold farms. Pots of honey, both set and clear, arrive at the Friday market each week with vegetables from the Dickinsons' farm at Stancombe Beech, where Jim's sons Keith and Ashley work, and eggs from free-range hens at John and Fiona King's Abbotswood Farm, Brockworth.

All the honey can be found alongside this year's new jams, pickles and chutneys on the preserves table, every Friday from 10 to 11am in the Town Hall. If you have local produce that you would like to sell through Painswick Country Market, please either drop-in or contact our Market Manager, Pamela Westcott by telephone (812471) or email [info@painswickmarket.co.uk](mailto:info@painswickmarket.co.uk)

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The data collected by the group will be passed on to police who will review it for repeat offenders and those significantly exceeding the limit, to whom they will write or visit. The Painswick Parish Council Traffic Committee and associated Working Group will use the data to canvass the police to provide additional enforcement activity where speeds limits are shown to be consistently exceeded. Further, the gathered data will be used in our ongoing discussions with Gloucestershire County Council highways regarding additional speed control measures, e.g. upgrade of signage/lining, installation of Vehicle Activated Signs.

Many thanks is extended to both the volunteers involved in this latest community action and to the police for their support with training and provision of the equipment.

*Cllr Abigail Smith, Chair of Traffic Committee, Painswick Parish Council.*



## Roman coin found

I was recently digging my garden at Brook House when I unearthed a roundcopper object that on cleaning appeared to be a coin. I took it to the Corinium Museum in Cirencester who were extremely helpful. Their collections officer James Harris has identified the object as a Roman sertertius coin depicting the emperor Trajan AD 98-117.

I wonder if any of your other readers have made a similar find.

*Edward Elgar*



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## Celebrating Stroud's Inventive Nature

Can you name three everyday items invented and made in Stroud district? The lawnmower? The green baize for snooker tables? But what about the non-flammable material that was used in the fuselage of Concord and in the suit worn by Niki Lauda, helping to save his life when he crashed during a race? Or how about the adjustable spanner, the lightning conductor, a material that is used in open heart surgery, or the world's first 3D printed bicycle?

Stroud district's long and distinguished track record in manufacturing and engineering goes un-noticed amongst its residents, yet nearly 24% of people living here work in this sector in some way. The creativity and innovation that makes this area one of the industrial powerhouses of the UK is celebrated during Festomane, 24th – 29th November. It's a week-long festival of events highlighting achievements past and present which was started by Neil Carmichael MP, and Neil and his staff still provide the co-ordinating role for organising the festival.

On Monday the 24th, the 'Creation and Innovation Revealed' Exhibition at Stratford Park Leisure Centre gives you the chance to meet some of the innovative companies based in the district, and learn more about what they do. At the Museum in the Park on Wednesday, the 26th, the spotlight falls is on our history: alongside displays compiled by local history societies will be a special preview of the Relder's Collection, prior to a major exhibition next year. A special talk in the evening discusses the history of Dursley's Mawdsley Mill, and how past industry is still with us today. A special morning seminar on Thursday 27th provides support and guidance to small and medium sized businesses to help them develop and expand. Entry to all these events is free. The week rounds off on Saturday 29th with the Girl Power! workshop aimed at girls considering their future careers. Talks by successful women working in this sector, demonstrations and a Q&A session provide an insight into the potentially well-paid and rewarding careers on offer in manufacturing and engineering. For more information about the whole week's events, visit [www.festomane.co.uk](http://www.festomane.co.uk) or ring 01453- 751572.

*Daniel Gripton*

## Rural Jottings - Autumn

My daughter-in-law calls me out because the cattle are bawling in the field but she cannot see them. When I get out there I find two cows calling on one side of the hedge and their six month old calves calling on the other side! Eventually the calves give in and walk the fifty yards down to the gate to join their mothers. All quiet now!

The weather is turning towards autumn and, although the grass is still growing, it is of low quality. Out in the fields you can always tell when this time of year comes – the animals are restless, start eating hedges and shout when they see you. So it is time to start winter feeding. If they start losing weight it costs a lot of money to replace and bring the animal back up to good health.

I gave a short talk at the village Harvest Supper the other night, off the cuff, about the past and present. In the sixties we made about ten thousand small bales, of hay and straw, nearly all handled by hand in and out of the barns. Then we had helpers joining us to do the job so there was camaraderie. Now, the big bales of hay, silage and straw are handled by machine all by one person, or with another tractor and driver in the field with you, in the distance. These big, round bales are ten times the size of the small ones; and the very large, square "six stringers" just over twenty small bales.

It can get lonely driving long hours and your mind and concentration start to wander. This is partly why there is a high suicide rate amongst farmers. We listen to the tractor radio and keep in contact on the mobile phone. One of the reasons mobile phones were, and are, used in farming to keep in touch with each other, check everything is OK, call for help when there are breakdowns and so on. I spoke of the first new tractor we bought in 1972. It cost us £1,700. The equivalent tractor now would not give us much change from £20,000.

*Martin Slinge*

## PlayPainswick

PlayPainswick is a community project seeking to provide new and exciting play and fitness equipment on the Recreation Ground. A sub-committee of the Parish Council, the core committee consists of three local mums working hard to coordinate ideas, consultation and fund raising. Consultation is underway to gather feedback on the existing setting and play provision and to find out what is needed and wanted for different ages and abilities

We will be at the Town Hall on Sunday 9th November from 2pm-4pm. Why not come along to see some draft plans and give us your ideas on what could be provided!! We will have a bouncy castle and free refreshments.. including sausages!! Alternatively, go to [www.painswick-pc.gov.uk](http://www.painswick-pc.gov.uk) and download a questionnaire, to email back to us, with your ideas and suggestions. We need to raise £100,000 to create this exciting play and exercise facility for all ages. We are thrilled that £10,000 has already been secured! Get involved now and help deliver a fantastic new facility for both residents and visitors to enjoy for years to come. Thank you.

*PlayPainswick Committee – Cllrs Caroline White & Emma Smith & Mrs Becca Eccles*

## Meggie's New Shop

Megan, daughter of Neil and Susan John at The Falcon Inn, opened Meggie's a Gift & Lifestyle boutique on October 29th at The Falcon Inn opposite The Shires, selling gifts, interiors, accessories, cards and lovely things.

Megan would like to invite you all to Meggie's Christmas Opening & Shopping Event on Friday November 28th at 6.30pm. Enjoy a festive night of mulled wine & shopping followed by live Music at The Falcon Inn. Meggie's is open Wednesday – Saturday 10am-5pm & Sundays 12pm-5pm.

*Megan John 07710623159*



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## Rococo Garden - Creating Christmas Saturday November 15th

Very soon we will be decorating the Coach House in the Rococo Garden ready for this year's Creating Christmas event and filling it with all things Christmassy! Isn't it amazing how quickly the year goes round!

This year we will have a large selection of new Christmas stock including a range of tree baubles and our own Rococo Christmas cards. We will also be launching our own cookery book entitled 'More than Just a Cookery Book'. This is a collection of recipes from the Friends and from restaurants and hotels around Gloucestershire and Wiltshire. But to give it that something extra we have included beautiful photographs of the garden throughout the year taken by Anne-Marie Randall from Painswick and garden tips from Steve Quinton and his team of gardeners. At £9.99 it will make a really excellent Christmas present for all your friends.

The restaurant will be open and selling cakes, teas and coffee and at lunch time we also be providing a range of soups and rolls. In addition we will be having demonstrations of Christmas crafts. This year we are lucky enough to have Jane Morris, a Chelsea award winner, to demonstrate how to make a beautiful wreath for your front door – do come and see how she does it.

Please come and support the event. What nicer way is there than to spend a winter Saturday in a warm Christmassy Coach House in the company of your friends and family? We will be open from 10.30 to 4.00pm and are very much looking forward to seeing you.

*Vicky Aspinall*

## Report from Hambutts Field Trust

The Trust has been approached twice during 2014 by the Parish Council, at the request of village dog owners, to see if we would accept the installation of a larger dog bin at the entrance to the field from Edge Lane. At our meeting in March "The Trustees were against this, as it reinforces the impression that the field is simply the village toilet for dogs" (I quote from the minutes of our meeting). Recently the Parish Council were sent a photograph of the bin, which was obviously full, with several plastic bags of dog excrement left on the ground below it. I understand that bags have also been hung on bushes, and that one bag was thrown over the garden wall of a house by the field. Obviously this is not acceptable. However, the Parish Council do not have sufficient funds to empty the bin more than once a week. The Trustees do not wish to install a larger dog bin because as a registered charity we have specific environmental/conservation/heritage charitable purposes, and these do not include providing a dog toilet. We have in the past grazed National Trust cattle in the field, and may do so again. We are currently establishing a wildflower meadow in the middle of the field.

Therefore, if the dog bin is full, dog owners should please take their bags of excrement home with them and dispose of them in their own bins, just as they would do if they had been walking elsewhere in the village. On behalf of all the Trustees, may I thank them for their cooperation and support in this?

*Virginia Falconer Hambutts Field Trust*

## Messy Church

The next Messy Church is on Thursday 13th November in St. Mary's Church Rooms from 3.30 to 5.30 pm. This month we will be learning about Noah and his Ark – how Noah listened and trusted in God.

This is a fun event with games and arts and crafts and finishes up with a hot meal. It is free but donations towards the meal would be appreciated on the day. Messy Church is for primary school children and their brothers and sisters accompanied by Mum, Dad or a responsible adult.

Any queries contact Fiona Gill [Fiona.gill@psalms.uk.net](mailto:Fiona.gill@psalms.uk.net) or 0771 513382.





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## Want to be a Gloucestershire RECORD BAKER?

On Friday 14th November 2014 BBC radio Gloucestershire will be trying to break the World record for the Longest Line of Cakes and it's all in aid of Children in Need. The current record stands at 607 metres and we are hoping with the help of the Gloucestershire community we can break that. We need to bake more than 14,500 cupcakes! We'll be attempting the record at Gloucestershire Airport on Friday 14th November. The cupcakes need to be baked to a set recipe and we'll be running collection points all around the county on Thursday 13th November, so you can bake your cupcakes and then take them to your nearest collection point.

You can find out more at <http://www.bbc.co.uk/radiogloucestershire>.

Alternatively we can post you the details if you send a stamped addressed envelope to BBC Gloucestershire, London Road, Gloucester, GL1 1SW. We'd love to know if you'd like to take part so please email us at [radio.gloucestershire@bbc.co.uk](mailto:radio.gloucestershire@bbc.co.uk) and let us know how many batches of cupcakes you'll be able to bake.

*Gloucestershire Rural Community Council*

## Changes at Cotswold88

Christmas is fast approaching, with thoughts of works parties, family gatherings and lavish Christmas day lunches. Cotswold88 is offering all Painswick residents a Privilege Card entitling us to a wide range of discounts. I called in to meet the new General Manager, Samantha Ascroft. She reminded me that this was not just a hotel, but a place to relax with friends for a coffee, snack or enjoy the brand new a la carte menu in the Juniper Restaurant.

Cotswold88, nestled in the heart of Painswick is the epitome of decadence hidden behind a façade of a traditional Cotswolds frontage. There is an onsite beauty room "Ambianza Beauty" open to residents and non-residents offering services from Jessica manicures and pedicures to full body massages and men's grooming and of course wedding packages.

Situated behind the Church, Cotswold88 is a perfect venue for weddings and their dedicated team ensures that the planning, preparations and the day itself runs smoothly.

If you contact Reception for more details, your name can be included on their VIP list so you will be the first to know of any upcoming events or offers.

*Joyce Barrus*



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## Winter scrub bashing dates on Cotswold commons with Natural England

Sunday 2nd November	10am - 3pm	Bulls Cross top or middle triangle
Sunday 23rd November	10am - 3pm	Cranham near Millennium Post
Sunday 18th January	10am - 3pm	Rudge Hill above Edgemoor Inn
Sunday 25th January	10am - 3pm	Juniper Hill upper slopes
Sunday 8th February	10am - 3pm	Sheepscombe central common

We will be working from 10am until about 3pm - look for the smoke! Feel free to come along for the whole day or even just an hour or two.

Please wear warm comfortable clothes that you don't mind getting dirty and sturdy footwear. If you are planning to stay all day then you will need to bring lunch - hot drinks and biscuits will be provided. It is also advisable to bring waterproofs in case of light rain. If it rains heavily we may have to stop work early or cancel the task so if the weather is bad on the day it is worth ringing the mobile number below to check the task is still on. All tools and work gloves will be supplied.

No need to book, just turn up on the day. If you would like any further information please get in touch with Kate Gamez at [kate.gamez@naturalengland.org.uk](mailto:kate.gamez@naturalengland.org.uk) / Mob: 07747 485136.

## 5 Valley Cat Rescue - Helping farm, feral, old, disabled and stray cats

I recently moved to Pitchcombe and became involved with this Charity which has become a very rewarding hobby. The organisation rescues cats and kittens without loving owners and seeks to re-home them. If you're thinking of a new addition to your family, 5 Valley Cat Rescue have many friendly felines of all ages in need of a home.

Donations are also warmly welcomed. For more information please visit: [www.5valleycatrescue.org](http://www.5valleycatrescue.org) or [www.facebook.com/5valleycatrescue](http://www.facebook.com/5valleycatrescue) or phone the cat line number: 01453 886354.

At the moment I have 2 adult female cats and 2 sixteen week old female kittens. If you, or anyone you know, are looking for a new addition to their family, they are lovely cats. My email is [tarbuck4@aol.com](mailto:tarbuck4@aol.com)

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## The Painswick Hairdressers and Barber submission

The salon was closed from 11-27th October and all went without hitch till we found a bad case of "The Damp" which necessitated tanking, adding unexpected work, which means we will be open and operating as normal, but will not be entirely finished (sigh..). We sincerely apologize, but as many of you who have dealt with listed buildings that needed upgrading know: expect the unexpected....

During our closure all the team continued to add to their skills, with specialist 'hair health programs' to ensure a perfectly matched Paul Mitchell product your lifestyle and hairstyle choices. We're also pleased to announce that a selected range of Paul Mitchell products will be available from launch, which will include some fabulous pet grooming products.

Our grand reopening for all loyal Clients will be on Friday 14th November at 6pm. Please make that a diary date to come and celebrate with all the team and to experience some of the exciting services we've got lined up for you; including:

- £8 discount off a wash cut and blow dry from 17-29th November.
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- Pre-Wedding consultation services and exclusive wedding breakfast/tea salon packages for that special day.
- The Man Cave - an exclusive area for Men's cutting, styling, wet shaving and pampering.
- A ticketed event demonstrating 'New Cid' Cosmetics on the Thursday 27th November. Tickets available in the salon for £5, refundable with any purchase.
- Exciting hair and beauty retail on Friday 28th November, during the Goodwill celebrations.

Finally, if you haven't been able to pop in and meet myself and the new stylists yet, my 'virtual' door is always open. You can call in, call me, email me or even drop an anonymous note through the door, particularly if you have suggestions or feedback as to how we can improve your salon and tailor our service to the needs of the community.

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## A well deserved accolade for the pharmacy

We all know that our Painswick Pharmacy with its supporting services and products is excellent. It is, therefore, pleasing to learn that it has been awarded the coveted Bronze accreditation by Investors in People South of England.

A glowing report acknowledged a range of very positive developments our pharmacy had demonstrated during the past three years, that is, since the last assessment. According to the report Mike Powis and his team of ten have focused on being the pharmacy of choice for the people of Painswick and surrounding area, this being achieved through excellent customer service, well trained employees and a well set out pharmacy. With government emphasis on the need for greater use of pharmacies this is good news for Painswick.

The report also praises the services offered other than prescriptions – toiletries,

seasonal goods and health care products and services such as blood pressure monitoring, cholesterol tests and diabetes screening.



It is interesting to note that mention is made of the fact that, despite stiff competition from supermarkets and large pharmacy chains, Mike has not only succeeded in continuing to run Painswick Pharmacy as a sound family business but has also enabled it to grow and develop through modernisation. The customer base has remained loyal and the staff feel respected and valued. They explain that the working atmosphere is professional and caring with Mike aware of the need for a good work/life balance for his staff. This, of course, is at the heart of the Investors in People ethos. Good management looks after staff and this in turn leads to best practice.

Gaining even a basic accreditation is difficult and only about 7% of businesses manage a Bronze, so Mike and his team are definitely to be congratulated. The key question now is will they go for Silver? They have three years to rise to the challenge and, according to the Investors in People advisor, they have already fulfilled some of the 67 criteria needed. They're definitely on their way.

*Carol Maxwell*

## Sue Ryder Christmas Fair

Saturday 22nd November is now the rearranged date for the Sue Ryder Christmas Fair to be held in the Town Hall from 10.30am, until 3pm. Come along and enjoy coffee and a mince pie with us. Donations of cakes, bric-a-brac and books are welcome, to Morna Holliday, tel 813063, Meriel Middleton, tel 814357, Angela Follows, tel 814605.

*Angela Follows, 8 Churchill Way, GL6 6RQ, 01452 814605*

## 13th November; a date to remember!

Painswick Beacon Conservation Group will be hosting an important meeting after the brisk AGM at 7.30 p.m. on Thursday 13th in the Church Rooms, off Stamages Lane, car park.

With several expert speakers we will cover a range of topics:

- What PBCG is for and how you might help
- How Edge Common (also known as Scotts-quar Hill or Rudge Hill Common) has been hugely improved and shows how Painswick Beacon can follow suit. (Paul Griffiths).
- How the meadows can be improved by seed collection and distribution (Katherine Holmes of the Cotswolds AONB'S Magnificent Meadows team)
- How the number of Junipers on the Beacon is being doubled. (Tim Wilkins of Plantlife)
- How the Duke of Burgundy, and Large Blue butterflies are being helped by the planting of 1,000 cowslips and 350 Wild Thyme. (Polly Lillocco of Butterfly Conservation.)
- How the woodlands can be improved to produce excellent habitats plus firewood and charcoal.
- And also a Question and Answer session.

The cattle on the Beacon have vastly improved the paddock (known as No. 4) to the west and north of the Hillfort. The grass is now short and they have also enjoyed eating most of the "weeds" and the leaves of unwanted ash and sycamore self-sown trees. Last Thursday, 23rd October, our "four-legged mowers" moved east towards Cheltenham to pasture new (Paddock 2) occupying the Southern ramparts of the hillfort as far as the Cotswolds Trail. They will stay there almost till Christmas or until the feed is all gone or weather too frightful.

Elsewhere the Saturday work parties have been planting wild thyme, reducing the competition of other trees and bushes round the older junipers, and, mostly clearing unwanted ash and sycamore from "should-be" flowery grass areas. One of the perks of being a workparty slasher is free firewood; - predominately ash. Come and join us, and help yourself. Dates are Saturdays November 8th and 22nd, December 6th and 20th. See the Village Diary. If you are a keen rose grower do help yourself to the quantities of cow dung in the used paddocks. Natural England aims to reduce the fertility of the limestone grassland so you can please them as well as your plants. A win-win situation?

*David Bishop Chairman 814205, David Al-lott Vice-Chairman*



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Dear Sir,

Three estate agents and no post office. What could better exemplify the decline of our community?

Yours faithfully,

*Stephen Friar*

Sir,

In the June edition of the Beacon County Councillor Bullingham was reported as saying that the 20mph speed limit was not enforceable. In the October edition Parish Councillor Smith was reported as saying the 20mph limit was enforceable. Would it not be reasonable for Cllr Bullingham and Cllr Smith to agree whether our 20mph limit is enforceable and to work together to achieve an effective 20mph limit?

*Ross Munro*

*Stoneleigh, Gloucester Street*

## 20mph Zone update

Councillor Abigail Smith has sent this response to Mr Munro.

1. A traffic regulation order is in place for the 20mph zone.

2. I am awaiting a copy of the report on associated signage from GCC (I have a meeting with Daniel Tiffney to discuss next week) but there is nothing to suggest the current signage would prevent the 20mph zone being enforced.

3. Having spoken to PC Dave Wood, the local police have speed detection equipment that can be used to enforce 20mph limits.

4. The local police will enforce the zone if there is evidence that it is being persistently and significantly exceeded. PC Wood suggested a speed in excess of 28mph would class as such, although it is not currently clear whether this would need to be the average speed or a percentile. I aim to use the Community Speed Watch data and recent GCC traffic survey data to test the criteria and make then case for enforcement action within the 20mph zone.



## A Summer Supper and "Hugely Huggable"

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Wedding hats, fascinators, sun hats, sporting caps and a jester's hat sported by members added a light hearted touch to the proceedings at the delicious summer supper held at The Falcon on 26th August.

At the September meeting Dr. Gillian White gave a well -researched presentation on the history of the teddy bear. Instead of the soft and fluffy approach expected we were treated to a clearly delivered account of how the teddy bear fitted into the history of the twentieth century,

The teddy bear was named after the former US President Theodore "Teddy" Roosevelt Jr. because he sportingly refused to shoot a cub on a bear hunting trip in 1902. This became the topic of a political cartoon and Maurice Michtom saw the drawing and created and mass- produced cute, stuffed, toy bears. Simultaneously Margarete and nephew Richard Steiff developed the famous tawny, plush mohair bear in Germany.

Bears have been the most popular gifts for children and adults to signify comfort, love, congratulations and sympathy. A black, mourning bear was given to people affected by the Titanic disaster in 1912 and bears in uniform accompanied soldiers going to the Front in WW1.

Since then many of our favourite bears have been made in man-made fabrics and many colours such as Winnie the Pooh, Rupert, Sooty, Paddington and the current Pudsey. John Betjeman took his teddy bear to Magdalen College with him because it made him feel "safe". The teddies that accompanied members to our meeting probably played this role in their owner's lives!

At the 10th Birthday meeting on November 25th the AGM will be held and Mark Cum-

mings, the Presenter on Radio Gloucestershire and Columnist on Cotswold Life, will speak.

*Janet Jenkins*



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## The Peacemakers

The Peacemakers by Karl Jenkins, a companion piece to his hugely popular The Armed Man, is to be performed by Wycliffe Choral Society and Orchestra and the Cotswold Youth Singers on Sunday 30th November in The Chapel, Wycliffe College, Stonehouse, GL10 2AF at 7.30pm. Dating from 2011, The Peacemakers is dedicated to all those who lost their lives in armed conflict, and the text includes words by Nelson Mandela, The Dalai Lama, Mother Teresa, Anne Frank and Terry Waite among others, as well as quotations from religious texts such as the Bible and Qur'an. It is a deeply moving work and will have a particular poignancy in these trouble times and as we commemorate the outbreak of the First World War. The programme also includes Grieg's Holberg Suite and Barber's Adagio. The soloist is Hannah Scott (soprano), the leader, George Ewart, and the conductor is Christopher Swain. Hannah, who is Nigel and Jane Burt's granddaughter, is quite well known in Painswick having just given a recital at the Music Society's AGM.

Tickets £10.00 (U18's £2.00) from Stroud Tourist information Tel 01453 760960, online at [www.wycliffechoralsociety.org](http://www.wycliffechoralsociety.org) or at the door.

## The Tourist Information Centre – Latest News

Seven months have now passed since we announced the good news that we had planning permission to change the Gravedigger's Hut in St Mary's Churchyard into a permanent home for Painswick's Tourist and Information Centre. Although the Church is fully in support of the change, we still needed permission from the Diocese of Gloucester as the building is within the Churchyard. Sadly this has proved a longer exercise than we had hoped. It also became clear that, because of the location, the cost of the repairs needed was going to be higher than anticipated and more fund raising would be needed.

In the meantime, the Church has allowed us to continue our, admittedly reduced, service from the back of the Church for a further four months, throughout the Summer.

Thanks to a number of donations, we have at last raised the funds we need to complete the project. Through the pages of the Beacon, we, together with our volunteers and the Church Council would like to say a huge thank you to all those who been so generous in their support of this project. It is hoped the work will commence in January, with an opening ready for Easter.

*Anne Smith* Manager, Painswick Tourist and Information Centre.

*Rev Mike Holloway* Vicar, St Mary's Church

## Austin's hobby

"Challenging, fun, exciting and rewarding when you get it right," so says Austin Weltman about his hobby. Austin competes in classic car races and he loves it.

He used to race an MG in the 1960s but, as he says, family and life generally put a stop to that. However, in 2006 he went to Le Mans with the sports magazine, EVO, the flame was rekindled and he hasn't stopped since. Austin's co-pilot was Richard Jones of Pitchcombe who also races.

To qualify in the Bugatti Owners' Club annual Classic Sports Car Championship cars must be pre-1972 models. Austin has a Westfield Eleven, which is a copy of a 1956 Lotus Eleven, "built for me by JBR Racing". He started racing in this competition in 2011, "just as I came up to 70," he says, "and I wanted to do something which was a bit of a challenge." His best result to date is winning third place the year before last. The picture, taken by Allan Rhodes, shows Austin in his car.



Drivers must participate in six races a year in a range of venues which vary from flat sprint tracks such as Goodwood to the 1000 yards hill climb at Prescott near Cheltenham.

People come from all over the country and, apart from the thrill of the race itself, Austin explains that there is a real camaraderie, a fraternity in which true friendships exist and a wonderful atmosphere. The cars are beautiful too ranging widely from MG Midgets to Bugattis and Ferraris.

There is more information on the Bugatti Owners' Club website or just Google Prescott Hill Climb. This is a pastime which appeals to all ages - you are never too old to participate. How many other unusual hobbies are pursued by Painswick residents - of all ages?

*Carol Maxwell*

## Painswickian and Young Painswickian of the Year

It's that time of year when we ask for your nominations for Painswickian of the Year and Young Painswickian of the Year. We are asking readers to put forward nominations to the Beacon committee for the committee's consideration. The two awards are given in recognition of those residents who have brought credit to the village in the past year or more, or who have given exceptional service to the local community. Your nominee for Painswickian of the Year should be over 21. You may wish to nominate a couple. Nominees for Young Painswickian of the Year should be 21 years or younger.

Nominations should not exceed 100 words. They should be marked 'POY' and placed in the Beacon Box in New Street or sent by email to [beacon@painswick.net](mailto:beacon@painswick.net) with 'POY' in the subject line. The deadline for nominations is Monday 24th November.

We hope that you will give thought to putting forward a nomination and thank you in advance for your interest.

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## Painswick Gardening Club; New Season, New Members



How the time flies; it seems like only yesterday when I sat down to write last month's article and now I'm having a well deserved tea break from raking leaves (not my favourite job as no sooner have I done it, it needs doing again!).

It was great to see new members and visitors along with existing members renewing memberships at our first meeting of the season in October - many thanks for supporting the Club.

We kicked off the meeting with a very professional presentation by David from the Patchwork Mouse about our new website. David and Craig have done a great job designing and setting up the website and we are getting very positive feedback from people who have taken a look. If you haven't found us yet, log on to <http://www.thegardeningclub.com/> and let us know what you think. David makes no pretence about being a gardener but I wonder if doing research for the website may have sown a few seeds of interest?!

We were delighted to welcome back Caroline Tatham who runs the Cotswold Gardening School in Gossington, and, as anticipated, she gave a lively and thoroughly enjoyable talk on the basics of garden design. She exudes enthusiasm in everything she does and her practical, no nonsense approach makes everyone think 'I could try that'. Personally I've never bothered with mood boards - I don't like cutting up magazines - but after listening and seeing examples that she had brought along, I think I might just give it a go!

Our meeting on 12th November (7.30pm start in the Church Rooms) promises to be practical and full of tips as Philip Aubrey talks on the subject of labour saving ways to cope with the garden.....and he plans to bring plants to sell. Don't worry if you haven't renewed your membership or joined as a new member yet as there will be the opportunity to do it on the 12th - we look forward to seeing you.

Don't forget to keep an eye on the website as it will be developing over the coming months and we would love to include some of your photos.

I really ought to get back to those leaves .....

*Caroline Bodington (Committee Member)*

## Club Pulse

Club Pulse continues to be a popular choice for young people with a variety of games, crafts, cooking, and discussion for Year 7 to Year 10. We normally meet at the recently refurbished Painswick Youth and Community Pavilion on Monday evenings 6.00 - 7.30 (term-time). The youth group is run by PSALMS and now has new leaders: Andy Poole and Fiona Gill. The picture was taken on 13th October after a competitive evening of skittles! For more information contact Fiona Gill [fiona.gill@psalms.uk.net](mailto:fiona.gill@psalms.uk.net) 0777 151 3382.



## Life on the River Severn



Our winter programme continues on Wednesday 12th November at 2.30 pm in the Painswick Centre, when Chris Witts, a former mayor of Gloucester, will talk about his 'Life on the River Severn'. Chris was skipper of one of the last grain barges to ply the River Severn, an operation of great skill and knowledge. Expect to be fascinated by his recollections and pictures.

On Wednesday 4th December at 2.30 pm, also in the Painswick Centre, Dr Makis Aperghis returns to talk about the 'Natural World in Ancient Greek Art', a follow-up to his well-received talk last year on Greek Flowers. Visitors are very welcome to our lectures, which are followed by light refreshments.

Our final guided walk in October around South Woodchester proved a great success, with an enjoyable lunch afterwards. As the walk was oversubscribed, there will be another chance on Wednesday 18th March next year to look at the Cotswold architecture and to learn how the changing fortunes of the textile industry left its mark on South Woodchester.

The purpose of the Cotswold Naturalists' Field Club is to promote interest in the natural history, environment and antiquities of Gloucestershire and the Cotswolds, and elsewhere. We hold lecture meetings throughout the year, five trips by coach to places of interest, plus a 5/6-day residential excursion, and a series of special interest walks (including botany, butterflies, industrial archaeology, geology and landscape). A number of social activities are also planned. Please contact me about next year's programme and membership (still £20 per person, or £30 for two at the same address).

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# Community Library News



## Poetry Reading

Adam Horowitz: Painswick Community Library would like to invite you to their first author event. Local author and poet Adam Horowitz will be reading from his recently published book "A Thousand Laurie Lee's" and also poems by him, his parents and other local poets. It's on Thursday 20th November at 7.30 pm. We are very excited that he has been able to come and give what will be the first major reading from his book, which has received excellent reviews.

Tickets, to include a free drink, cost £5 and are available from the Library or Helene at thebigredhouse@aol.com. Tickets are limited so buy early!

## Goodwill Evening Friday 28th November

Hannah Shaw: Hard on the heels of Adam Horowitz we are lucky to have Hannah Shaw, local children's book author and illustrator with us from 6 – 7pm on Friday 28th November. She will run an illustration workshop for the children (and adults!) and also chat and have books for sale. Entry will be free. More about her on <http://hannahshawillustrator.co.uk/>

## Story Time

Monday afternoons: A reminder about our story time session (including rhymes and songs), for pre-school children at the library on Monday afternoons from 2.15 – 3pm. Timing is to ensure Mums, Dads, and carers can fetch older children from school afterwards.

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# What's On

Painswick Goodwill Evening - 5-9pm - Friday 28th November  
Just For Fun Christmas Quiz - 7-11pm - Saturday 6th December  
Brass Band Concert - 7-10.30pm - Friday 12th December  
Valentines Tribute Band - TBC

Just For Fun Christmas Quiz – As the name would suggest this is all about fun! So get that grey matter buzzing and get you laughing gear on as we get ready to 'Test the Nation!' (Well, the nation of Painswick!). Teams of 4-6, £7 per person, hot meal included with a vegetarian option available on request. Book your team in early as space is limited. Christmas Hamper raffle and bar open.

So, just to get you started.....

Q1. What does ADIDAS stand for?

Q2. Who is Angnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu?

Q3. Why was James Bond associated with 007?

Q4. Why is there a patch of Velcro inside astronauts' helmets?

Q5. What were the names of the two dogs which had the 101 Dalmatians?

No Cheating!!

Valentines Tribute Band – After a fantastic evening's entertainment with 'The Ultimate Beatles' on September 26th, we have been inundated with requests for the next one! So what better way to celebrate Valentines than enjoying some fantastic live music. The act are yet to be confirmed but watch this space!

Jennie Barber 01452 814567



## Twin Twitter!

Our joint meeting on 2nd October with the Bird Club attracted a large number of members from us both. We were proud to have with us Gordon Kirk, the leading authority on Gloucestershire birds, who regaled us with slides of a number of well-known birds, detailing habitat, migration, peculiarities and extent of survival, crowning each with excellent reproduction of their songs.

Alex Nichols followed each of these with an appropriate music recording featuring bird song: Rossini's Thieving Magpie; Sullivan's Amorous Dove and Tit Willow; The Cuckoo and the Donkey; If I were a Blackbird; Saint-Sans' The Nightingale and the Rose; Puccini's The Swallow and Sibelius' Swan of Tuonela.

The meeting of Clubs combining different interests made a very good evening – worth repeating!

After the birds, on 16th October came "no, not that one!" Dr. Peter Young of the Cheltenham Recorded Music Society intrigued and then made us enjoy greatly music composed by relatives of famous composers: Carl Phillip Emanuel Bach's Harpsichord Double Concerto; Michael Haydn's Requiem; Imogen Holt's Mass; Leopold Mozart's Trumpet Concerto; Johann Christian Bach's Symphony for Double Orchestra and finally Johann Christoph Bach's Aria.

An educational and entertaining evening.

Ralph Kenber



## Hamper draw

Our popular hamper draw will run through November for people taking books out or using the library computers. Please join in and give our issue figures a boost as well as the chance to win the prize.

## Family History

"Researching your Family History" course with Peter Rowe starts at 2pm on Saturdays January 10th, February 14th and March 14th 2015. More information and application forms available from the Library.

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# Sports reports

assembled by John Barrus

## Tennis

The Club held its annual Club Championships on the last Sunday in September and in perfect playing conditions club members watched some great tennis. In the ladies singles the winner was Liz Cowan who beat the 12-year-old Isabella Nunez. The men's singles was won by James Barnett beating Matt Lakin in three sets. In the ladies doubles Liz Cowan and Vanessa Roderick were victorious against Liz Howse and Clare Northcott and in the men's doubles James Barnett and Matt Lakin beat Jamie Morgan and Jamie Gordon. In the mixed doubles the winners were Lorraine Ristic and Jamie Morgan with runners up Liz Cowan & Mark Wontumi.

## Wimbledon success

Painswick resident Ron Barney who is a member of the East Gloucestershire Lawn Tennis Club has had a major success at the Seniors British Grass Court Championships at Aorangi at the All England Club at Wimbledon. Playing with his partner Syl Pearson from the Barton Club in Edinburgh the pair won the

Men's 85 Years Doubles event beating the number one seeds, Guy Foster and Will Collins in three sets, 7-6 1-6 11-9. The Beacon understands that winning the title places Ron and his partner in 19th position in the world rankings.

## English Schools Combined Events

Kate Davies competed in the National Schools Combined Events as a member of the Gloucestershire Team which won bronze. A fantastic achievement for a small county - S. Yorkshire won gold, Essex silver. Her pentathlon was over two days and she got pb's in 200m and javelin.

## Football

Painswick under 9's football team have made a great start with early victories against teams from Chalford, Tewkesbury, Eastcombe and Rodborough before a reverse against a much stronger team from Rodborough at the beginning of October. Featuring local boys (and girls) predominantly from Painswick and/or The Croft, then team also includes there boys from the Under 8's who have shown their ability to compete and perform outstandingly at the higher level. Thanks in no small part to the dedication of the head coach Craig Darkin and his assistant coaches Chris and Arran, the team continues to develop not only their winning ways but in the right spirit and style of football. Training for the Under 9's is held every Wednesday and the club also runs teams across other junior age ranges and welcomes boys and girls. As part of the developments this year you may have seen goal posts installed at the Rec where there is now a men's team which is always on the look out for players new and old to continue the development of the club. Please see [Painswickfc.co.uk](http://Painswickfc.co.uk) for further details.

David Nottingham

## Golf Club

I hope that the extended warm summer weather has not completely left us by the time you read this Beacon. It has made golf over the last month or so an unexpected treat.

In the Seniors' section, the monthly stableford competition was won by Phil Taylor with a score of 40 points, and a social pairs competition was won Duncan Toase and Peter Sibley with a score of 78 points. Congratulations to the winners.

The year of office for the Seniors' captain comes to an end at the AGM on 6 November. Mike Carter has ably led the Seniors over the last year and thanks are also due to his deputy, Terry Coleman, and the Seniors' committee comprising Duncan Toase (Competitions organiser), Stewart Price (Treasurer), Vern Watkin (Open Organiser), and Ian Smethurst (Secretary).

Visitors and new members are welcome throughout the year. If you are interested in playing or joining, please get in touch with Marc Cottrell, the club's professional (812615). Catering and refreshments are available to golfers and to the public at the clubhouse – and the clubhouse is an excellent venue for Christmas lunches. Please contact Mike or Tom Horton for details and opening times (812180).



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## Rugby

### Painswick 17 Stroud 31

This was a very entertaining match in which Painswick led for some time. However in the second half Stroud hit a purple patch scoring three tries within a matter of minutes. Until then they had been trailing by 14 points to 17 but the three scores brought them a total of 19 points after which, though they played with considerable spirit, Painswick could not manage to cross the visitors' line.



## A trek around Annapurna by Richard and Ann Burges Watson

*I found this description amongst my late husband's papers and thought it relevant given the fact that this walk has been so much in the news of late. I have added some details from my own account of the trip below Richard's. ARBW.*

### Richard

In October, 1988 Ann and I did a 12-day trek from Pokhara, following the Marsyangdi River from Dumre, round to the North of the Annapurnas, to Muktinath and Jomsom—about 120 miles. This was the route recommended to me by Nepal's leading geographer, Harkar Gurung, as providing the widest scenic and ethnic diversity. We started at about 1500 feet, in lush rice fields at a steamy 80 degrees, walking through prosperous Gurung villages and meeting many ex- and serving Gurkha soldiers. In these villages, the Brahmins still held a high position: in one they claimed to have been there for 30 generations.

After five days of walking, and climbing about 5,000ft, we came to the Manang District, inhabited mainly by people of Tibetan origin and much less fertile, except along the river banks. Higher still, the poverty became greater, with the inhabitants complaining about the harshness of their lives and the lack of help from the Nepalese Government. Decades earlier, this had been the base for the Kompa tribesmen, who had waged a guerrilla war against the Chinese in Tibet; they were eventually put down by the Nepalese Army. Now, it is the base of the Manangis, who exploited their rights to free trading to become Nepal's leading smugglers. Part of the area is still closed to foreigners, although a few are now admitted to hunt blue sheep and (unofficially) snow leopards. All the officials on whom we called were friendly and helpful. They told us that they had very few visits from officials or Ministers, although they had had a recent visit from The King.

Near Manang, at Braga, there is a fine old monastery, with a large collection of ancient weapons, reflecting perhaps the instability of the area. The Buddhism practised there was of the Tantric variety, incorporating mystical practices which had preceded Buddhism. At Manang, the last small town up the river, there is an outpost of the Himalayan Rescue Association, warning trekkers about altitude sickness, and providing medical attention for the locals and their animals. They did a valuable job in very tough conditions, sleeping in tents on local rooftops (back in Kathmandu, I was able to arrange for them to be properly housed). On the penultimate day of our trek, we crossed the Thorong La, a pass at some 17,750 feet, the upward climb by moonlight in a temperature of minus 20, before dropping down to Muktinath and Jomsom. Officials, there, who had themselves never been to Manang, said that I was probably the first Ambassador to make the crossing. Near Jomsom, there is a Bonpo monastery, another relic of pre-Buddhist religions.

### Ann continues

I note from my own letters about the trip that we set off at 3.20 a.m. having been awakened (however we had not slept) with bed tea at 2.30 a.m. I lit my hand-warmer and was very glad of it. We climbed up to the pass, which was not all that steep, but we felt the altitude. We had brilliant moonlight and we could see the mountains very clearly. Psychologically, it was a good idea to climb in the dark as it was too cold to stop and too dark to take pictures, but the moonlight enabled us to see where we were going so we just kept plodding on to the top. On arrival the sun bathed the peaks on either side in pink morning light at around 6.50 a.m. The cameras did not work as the shutters did not like the cold. I felt very disorientated although we had been acclimatising for the previous 9 days. I noted that our team had run our supplies down to reduce their weight so had we got caught in bad weather and had to retreat we would have had to go a long way down to find food. In Jomsom we had hot showers – our first opportunity to bathe properly since a hot spring dip some 9 days earlier!

## Our Farming Heritage



At the October meeting of the society Paul Griffiths gave a truly compelling presentation on traditional agricultural methods and tools. Having spent all his life involved in farming locally and with very considerable knowledge of the subject, Paul ensured that this was a slice of very significant local history.

Progressing through the seasonal tasks Paul explained the work involved, the techniques used and the tools required, producing fine examples of the latter with each explanation. Winter wood cutting and stone walling, spring hedge cutting and laying using local techniques, June haymaking with huge scythes followed by pitching into ricks and cutting into blocks, corn harvesting, autumn fruit picking and ploughing were just some examples.

All of this was very labour intensive and very hard manual work. It did allow, however, for a sound ecological system to exist in tandem with agricultural procedures, unlike today's fast, machine-driven farming scene. As Paul explained, land management has different priorities now – and it has all happened in our lifetime.

Illustrated with his fascinating collection of tools and very aptly interspersed with locally relevant poems from the likes of Frank Mansell, this was a most informative and riveting piece of local history.

At the next meeting on Tuesday, 18 November, Phil Moss will give a presentation on Gloucester Castle and Prison – a very topical subject at present and one with which many of our Painswick ancestors were perhaps unfortunately a little too familiar. Croft School, 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome.

*Carol Maxwell*

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In certain areas of Gloucestershire, if you're on specific benefits or over the age of 60, you may even be able to receive financial support for installing loft and cavity wall insulation. Even if you're not eligible for a grant, you can still get advice.

If you're worried that your home is particularly inefficient and wastes a lot of energy, they have local qualified assessors who can carry out a Green Deal Assessment on your home as a way of giving your home a health check to ensure it is doing all it should and is fit for purpose. You may need one of these assessments if you are looking to access funding.

Recently myself and other colleagues helped out at a "pop up" dementia shop in Stroud which ran for 2 days. It had been organised through "Fair shares" and anyone could come in and get advice and information regarding memory loss and dementia. It was a great success and I hope that we can do more of these types of events. Fair shares is a brilliant scheme whereby you can access a "time bank". Time banking is a system of two way volunteering; for every hour of your time you put in, you earn

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an hour of help in return.

They have been organising wheelchair friendly/dementia friendly walks at Stratford Park in Stroud. Trained walk leaders will help those who need assistance but if you need a carer, they should come too. November's dates are Friday's 7th and

21st, meeting at 10.30 outside the Museum in the park for tea and coffee for an 11 a.m. set off and if the weather is bad, there will be an inside activity.

The Alzheimer's Society has a lot going on too which might interest some of you. There is an art group held in Gloucester on Tuesdays 10.30-12.30, Nov 4th and 18th and Dec 2nd, 16th and 30th. The Gloucester Directions Group is for those with loved ones in care and they meet on a Monday, 11.30 onwards on Nov 3rd and Dec 1st with an optional lunch to follow. Finally, "Good 2 Go" is a support group for working age adults with dementia, their family and carers. They will be meeting Nov 26th, 11.30 onwards with an optional lunch to follow.

Carers Gloucestershire are running their "Positive Caring programme" for 6 weeks on a Tuesday morning from November 11th through to December 12th. Help can be given to get replacement care and transport if necessary.

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## PROPERTY REPORT for October from Murrays

Murrays Estate Agents are delighted to announce that we are expanding and moving our offices in Stroud to a larger more prominent premises early in November. We are in constant need for more property however throughout all of our three offices. Estate agents are always urging people to sell their houses for one reason or another. Well they would, wouldn't they? Selling houses is what we do. But sometimes it really, really is better to sell sooner rather than later - and that time might well be now. We are still experiencing a lack of property coming to the market and there are still many proceedable purchasers out there looking, the demand is still outweighing the supply! We currently almost 50% of our properties either under offer or exchanged!

No market likes uncertainty. And we seem to be entering a far more uncertain and delicately poised property market. The Scottish referendum highlighted this. In the last month or so of the campaign - and especially in the last few weeks - the English and Welsh property markets slowed noticeably. If a vote in Scotland can do this just think what a general election across the entire UK will do. Our next election is only seven months away.

Now the rumblings of a Mansion Tax are getting louder with the Labour party seemingly making this an election pledge. Quite what this will do to the higher end of the property market is uncertain. But it is not hard to imagine that it could put some downward pressure on this sector. Will this in turn also have a knock-on effect in the middle-market?

Added to this pressure is the increasing number of people in the middle to upper end of the market who are downsizing - ei-

ther to relocate to somewhere smaller and more manageable or to release capital for deposit-strapped offspring or even grand-offspring.

So to all those who may be waiting until next year before going to the market - or those on the market now who imagine they are not in a hurry to sell - you may all be in more of a hurry than you think. We are here to help so please give us a call for your free valuation for either sales or lettings on 01452 814655 and we can help you get on the move - like we are!

We have taken on a varied selection of new properties in the area including Yew Tree Cottage, a 1 bed contemporary apartment spread over 3 floors right in the centre of the village, 12 Hyett Orchard a pretty semi-detached 2 bed retirement cottage in the Hyett Orchard complex, 4 The Croft a 4 bedroom detached house in need of some modernisation near the school, Vermont, a 5 bed semi detached modern family house in the centre of Cranham and The Hedgerow a beautifully presented 3 bed family house on Upton Lane in Upton St Leonards.

Properties that we currently have under offer are Bara Clough House in Hambutts Mead in Painswick, Carsebreck on King-smill Lane in Painswick, Wycke Cottage on St Mary's Street in Painswick, 4 The High Street in Upton St Leonards and 1 Daisy Cottages in Epney Cross, Epney. Properties that we have now sold are Smalls Mill on Pincot Lane in Pitchcombe and Rivendell on Halfway Pitch also in Pitchcombe and Upper Steanbridge Mill and Bonds Grove both in Slad.

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## NOVEMBER

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Mon	3	Painswick Valley Toddler Group - Mondays (school term time only) Short Mat Bowls - Mondays (contact 813627) Community Lunch - Hosts - Dog Training Group (Ashwell Centre off Churchill Way) Yoga (Mondays) contact Kim 812623  Painswick Community Choir - Mondays (Enquiries: Sophie 01453 298138) Have Your Say' Group - Every Monday: contact Roger Leigh 01452 536325	Pitchcombe Vill. Hall Town Hall Ashwell Centre Sheepscombe Vill. Hall Painswick Centre Cotswold 88	9.50 to 11.30am 10.30am 12noon to 1.15pm 6.30 to 8.00pm & 8.15 to 9.45pm 7.00 to 8.30pm 7.30 to 9.30pm
Tue	4	Bird Club: Poles Apart - bird life of Arctic & Antarctic - Dr Michael Leach (joint meeting with Glos. Naturalist Soc.) Zumba Gold dance fitness class for Seniors: £5 pp Tuesdays. Tel: 07766 101790 Health Walk (One Hour) - Tuesdays: Enq. 813228 Cupcakes for Carers: Support group for helpers of homebound through illness: Tel 813326 Bingo: Tuesdays - Tel. Ann, 813911 / Liz, 814890	Town Hall Painswick Centre Town Hall P. Centre Green Room Ashwell House Sheepscombe Vill. Hall Croft School Painswick Centre Town Hall	7.30pm 10.00am 1.45 for 2.00pm 2.00 to 4.30pm 6.30 to 9.00pm 9.30 to 11.00am 10.30am to 12noon 7.00 to 9.00pm 12.00 to 1.00pm
Wed	5	Yoga (Wednesdays) contact Kim 812623 Painswick Toddler Group - held at Painswick Children's Centre: Wednesdays Table Tennis - Wednesdays Croft School Bonfire & Fireworks Night - £2.50 per adult, £1.50 per child. Free entry with FOTCS membership card	Sheepscombe Vill. Hall Croft School Painswick Centre Town Hall	9.30 to 11.00am 10.30am to 12noon 7.00 to 9.00pm 12.00 to 1.00pm
Thu	6	Yoga - All Abilities (Thursdays) Cotswold Room 812623 T'ai Chi: Thursdays - Contact 812344 Dog Training Club (Thursdays) Jolly Stompers Line Dancing: Beginners - Thursdays- tel. Julie - 01453 752480 Experienced beginners - Thursdays	Painswick Centre Town Hall Church Rooms Town Hall Town Hall Painswick Beacon	9.30 to 11.00am 9.30am 9.30 to 12.00noon 12.00 to 1.00pm 12.30 to 1.30pm 10.00am 1.45pm 9.00am to 1.00pm
Fri	7	Country Market: Coffee available - Fridays Friday Club AGM, followed by talk: Village Agent - Lou Kemp	Town Hall Town Hall	10.00am 1.45pm
Sat	8	Painswick Beacon Conservation Group scrub clearance working party: location check 813734 or 814205 Saturday Walking Group: for info Tel: 812965	Painswick Beacon Stamages Car Park Catholic Church St Mary's Church St Mary's Church St Mary's Church	9.00am to 1.00pm 10.00am 8.30am 9.00am 10.50am
Sun	9	Mass Holy Communion Remembrance Service Great War Exhibition	Stamages Car Park Catholic Church St Mary's Church St Mary's Church St Mary's Church	10.00am 8.30am 9.00am 10.50am
Mon	10	Women's Probus: Katie Fforde - A well-known local Authoress  Community Lunch - Hosts - Puffins (Ashwell Centre off Churchill Way)	Church Rooms Ashwell Centre	10.00am 12noon to 1.15pm
Tue	11	Cupcakes for Carers: Support group for helpers of homebound through illness: Tel 813326	P. Centre Green Room	2.00 to 4.30pm
Wed	12	Probus: Confessions of a Photographer with a One Track Mind - Peter Berry Cotteswold Naturalists' Field Club Lecture: My Life on the River Severn - Chris Witts. Enq. 813228 Painswick Gardening Club: Labour Saving Methods & Coping with the Garden - P. Aubrey Changes to St Mary's Church: presentation of proposals	Painswick Centre Painswick Centre Church Rooms St Mary's Church	10.00am 2.30pm 7.30pm 7.30pm
Thu	13	Messy Church Painswick Beacon Conservation Group AGM & Rare Cattle Breeds Talk	Church Rooms Church Rooms Church Rooms	3.30 to 5.30pm 7.30pm



Sat	15	Music Appreciation Group: British film Music Painswick Arts & Crafts Market Creating Christmas in the Coach House	Town Hall Town Hall Rococo Garden	7.30pm 10.00am to 2.00pm 10.30am to 4.00pm
Sun	16	Holy Communion (BCP) Mass Painswick Praise The Peacemakers: Concert by Wycliffe Choral Society	St Mary's Church Catholic Church St Mary's Church Wycliffe College Chapel	8.00am 8.30am 9.30am 7.30pm

**DECEMBER**

Mon	1	Community Lunch - Hosts - Christian Aid (Ashwell Centre off Churchill Way)	Ashwell Centre	12noon to 1.15pm
Wed	3	Theatre Club Outing to Malvern Theatre Cotteswold Naturalists' Field Club Lecture: The Natural World in Ancient Greek Art - Dr Makis Aperghis. Enq. 813228	Stamages Car Park Painswick Centre	12.30pm 2.30pm
Fri	5	Country Market: Coffee - Fridays (Not 26 Dec & 2 Jan) Friday Club Christmas Lunch	Town Hall	10.00am
Sat	6	<b>December Issue of The Painswick Beacon published</b> Painswick Beacon Conservation Group scrub clearance working party: location check 813734 or 814205	Painswick Beacon	9.00am to 1.00pm
Mon	8	Women's Probus: Quiz - Quiz Master Ellie Harper: followed by lunch at The Falcon Community Lunch - Hosts - Wednesday Ashwell Group (Ashwell Centre off Churchill Way)	Church Rooms Ashwell Centre	10.00am 12noon to 1.15pm
Tue	9	Bird Club Field Trip to Slimbridge WWT	Slimbridge	10.45am
Wed	10	Probus: Christmas Dinner with the Ladies P'wick Gardening Club: Social Evening & Gardening Quiz	The Hill, Merrywalks Church Rooms	7.00 for 7.30pm 7.30pm
Thu	11	Music Appreciation Group: Christmas Party	Town Hall	7.30pm
Fri	12	Christmas Brass Band Concert in aid of Stroud & District Mencap	Painswick Centre	7.30pm
Tue	16	Yew Trees W.I.: Christmas Gathering	Church Rooms	7.00pm
Sat	20	Painswick Singers Christmas Concert: Main work - 'Hodia' by Vaughan Williams	St. Mary's Church	7.30pm

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# PLANNING MATTERS

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## NEW APPLICATIONS

S.14/32135/LBC DIAL TRYST, Vicarage Street - Repointing.  
S.14/2103/HHOLD 2 PAINSWICK HEIGHTS, Yokehouse Lane - Single Storey extension to dwelling.  
S.14/2069/HHOLD FIELDEN, Slad Road, Slad - Demolition of attached garage and replacement with two storey extension to provide additional living accommodation.  
S.14/2087/HHOLD FLAT 18, GYDE HOUSE, Gyde Road - Provision of two bedrooms and shower room in existing roof space with conservation roof lights. New staircase and new front door.  
S.14/2166/LBC SHETLANDS, Far End, Sheepscombe - Extension and alterations to a listed cottage.  
S.14/2165/HHOLD SHETLANDS, Far End, Sheepscombe - Two storey extension and alterations.  
S.14/2186/FUL 4 COURT ORCHARD, Painswick - Erection of two dwellings.  
S.14/2267/LBC AMESBURY, Vicarage Street - Replacement of 3 windows.  
S.14/2139/TCA STONECROFT, Sheepscombe - Fell x 6 Norway Spruce.  
S.14/2252/TCA COURT HOUSE, Hale Lane - Two Lime trees (T1) remove crossing/dead branches and crown raise to 4.5m. Lime Tree (T2) crown raise to 4.5m and clear the street lamp. Lime Tree (T3) crown raise to 5m. Four Beech Trees (T4) raise at tips of branches to 6-7m.  
S.14/2284/CPL 1A UPPER WASHWELL - Insertion of velux rooflights on rear elevation and french windows to side elevation.  
S.14/2377/TPO LYNCOMBE FARM, Cheltenham Road - Remove various sycamore and twisted ash (up to 14 trees). Plant five Ash trees to replace.  
S.14/1488/LBC CRANMORE COTTAGE, Vicarage Street - Remove decaying 'lean to' of glass/brick and perspex roof, which includes 'outside' toilet, within its boundary - replacing it with a conservatory/garden room of same width of 3.90m, but deeper from 1.48m to no more than 3.50m.  
S.14/2316/HHOLD CRANMORE COTTAGE, Vicarage Street - Remove decaying lean to replacing it with a conservatory/garden room. Also erect a wooden garden shed in top terrace garden.  
S.14/2291/HHOLD HIGHGROVE HOUSE, Lower Washwell Lane - Replacement of ancillary buildings with extension to lounge and family room (86sqm to be demolished, 88.31sqm extension), plus new detached garage and garden store.  
S.14/2370/TCA THE ROWANS, Sheepscombe - T1 and T2 Maple to re-pollard. T3 mature Maple to be reduced in height by 15ft. T5 Dead elm to be felled.

## REVISED APPLICATIONS

S.14/1756/FUL MEADOW COTTAGE, Kingsmead - Demolition of existing house and two garages. Construct of replacement dwelling, double garage and linked study wing.

## CONSENT

S.14/1528 HAZEL MILL, Slad Road - Replacement of 4 sash windows on middle floor (as existing).  
S.14/1832/TCA SHEEPSCOMBE VILLAGE HALL, Sheepscombe - Fir tree - remove tree. Plane tree remove tree.  
S.14/1827/LBC BLACK HORSE COTTAGE, St Mary's Street - Separation of two upper residential floors from ground floor hairdressing salon. Access to upper residential floors to be moved from centre of the salon. Access to upper residential floors to be moved from centre of the salon, to a new staircase entering from an existing rear entrance to the property. Ground floor hairdressing salon to be extended into existing internal courtyard to provide a toilet and Utility Room. Existing rear ground floor window to be modified to provide an addition escape exit.  
S.14/1842/FUL LAND OPPOSITE HILLWORTH HOISE Gloucester Street. - Alteration and extension of the Coach House to form a new two bedroom dwelling, removal of existing attached storage space, relevant services and parking. Revision and re-siting of the entrance to the site and landscaping works.  
S.14/1881/TCA TOWER COTTAGE, Kemps Lane - Silver Birch - remove.  
S.14/1990/LBC OLD BAPTIST CHAPEL, New Chapel - Replace 9 window frames to incorporate coloured glass. Replace 4 stone sills. Replace 5 internal window boards. Strip roof, re-felt and batten, new flashings chased into parapet wall and relay tiles. (Erect scaffolding, sheeting, lighting and signage).  
S.14/2072/TCA STAR COTTAGE, Hollyhock Lane - Reduce holly tree by 50%.  
S.14/2094/TCA VALLEY WAY, Vicarage Street - Reduce Portuguese Laurel by 30% approximately 1m all over.  
S.14/2108/TCA FIELD CROFT, Sheepscombe - The removal of 5 trees in the centre of the lawn at Field Croft due to excessive shading and low amenity value.  
S.14/2099/TPO CROFT HOUSE, Gloucester Street - Leylandii hedge - All growth on the south side to be taken back to the trunk and garden side lightly trimmed. T1 & T2 Unknown - Crown lifted on the road side.

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**Lady seeks cleaning job.** References available. Please ring evenings 810994 Ask for Rachel.

# The Personal Column

## Thank you

The family of John Lucarotti who died on 14th October after 7 years living in Painswick would like to thank all those who helped care for him in his last years, especially Christine, Kakuli, Hannan and Dr Rhys Evans and his team at Painswick Surgery. John was a veteran of the second world war serving as a Captain and then Major in the Middlesex regiment in campaigns in Italy and North Africa – Michele Lucarotti.

## Congratulations

To GRAHAM and JANET LILLEY of Lower Bumps, Edge who celebrated 50 years of marriage on 24th October with family at their son's farm near Oslo, Norway.

Also to HELEN BRIGGS who has another great granddaughter ILSA sister to Remi in Cornwall.

## Condolences

Our sincere sympathies to the family of TOM CAPPER who died aged 89 years on Thursday 9th October in Rhyl. Tom and his wife Audrey retired to Paradise in the mid-80s. They moved to Rhyl last year. They were both very active members of the South Cotswold Ramblers and daughter-in-law Rosi writes to report that the intention is to place a seat somewhere near Paradise in Tom's memory.

*You could help Jenny Gaugain, if you would relay information about those you know and for whom a mention in the Personal Column would be appreciated.*

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## Exhibition

Anne Ware (book binder) and Vicky Hendzel-Walker (ceramic pieces) are holding an exhibition in the Green Room at Painswick Centre from Thursday 27th November till Monday 1st December: 10.30 each morning and late on Friday 28th November. Vicky has a new course in November, 4 weeks of Christmas Craft Tots at Painswick's Children's Centre, starting Tuesday 11th November 10-11am. Also a 3 weeks Pottery After School Club starting Thursday 6th November 3.30-4.30 upstairs in the Green Room and a day Pottery workshop on Thursday 13th November 10am-3pm.

Anne Ware 01285 760328

Vicky Hendzel-Walker 07812024623

## December issue- Seasonal cover picture

It has long been the policy of the Beacon to print the cover in full colour for the December issue. To this end we have in the past received many remarkable offerings from readers, young and old, ranging from photographs to paintings.

We are again looking for one to use this year, There are few requirements, but our being able to scan within A4 size, or receive copy by e-mail of a photograph in high definition, are important. Essentially, a seasonal scene in a central part of the village is what we are after. We return any original, so can you help please?



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