

The Painswick Beacon

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A New Roof for St. Mary's

St. Mary's Church has been a place of worship for generations of Painswickians and is the geographic and arguably the touristic centrepiece of Painswick. The churchyard and its yew trees draw visitors from far and wide and the historic church is a Grade 1 listed building. From ground level the views of the church with the hills behind are idyllic. However, close-up, problems with the roof become apparent. The artificial slates that cover the nave and chancel roofs are thinning and breaking up. In recent years the nave roof has leaked on occasions during heavy rain and running repairs were required, so it came as no surprise when the 2019 Quinquennial Inspection found that the nave and chancel needed to be re-roofed over the following 5-year period.



Photographs courtesy of Simon Schofield

The roofs have artificial slates which were installed in the 1960s - before that all the roofs on the church were of traditional Cotswold stone. For the re-roofing the church plans to replace the artificial slates by local Cotswold stone slates and this approach is supported by the church architect, the Diocese and the conservation consultant overseeing the project. Cotswold stone slates are more expensive than artificial slates but have a significantly longer lifetime

(over 100 years) and should prove to be more economic in the long term. Moreover, they will match the Cotswold stone slates on St. Peter's chapel and the vicar's vestry. On completion all roofs will once again be of Cotswold stone, as befits a Grade 1 listed building that is at the heart of the "Queen of the Cotswolds".

Work should start in the spring of 2023. The latest cost estimate for the project is £228,000 which equates to approximately £25 for each new slate. Individuals in the congregation have donated £52,000 and the church is applying to the Charity Commission to release £100,000 from its endowments. We hope to raise the remaining funds by applying to grant-giving bodies and appealing for donations from local residents and businesses, visitors and those with links to this historic building. The project will make the church water-tight and reinstall a traditional Cotswold stone roof.

Please support the re-roofing project by making a donation on the church's JustGiving page: <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/newroofforSaintMarys>. Alternatively, scan the QR code or send a cheque payable to "St. Mary's Painswick PCC" to: The PCC Treasurer, the Lychgate Office, Stroud Road, Painswick, Stroud, GL6 6UT. If you are able to gift aid your donation the church will be able to reclaim an additional 25% from HMRC.



Dylan Davies on behalf of St. Mary's Parochial Church Council

Remembrance Day

The Armistice Day Service will be held at the War Memorial on Friday 11th November at 10.50 am when wreaths will be laid and the names of the fallen in both World Wars read out. This annual civic service is organised by the Parish Council.



A Service of Remembrance will be held in St Mary's Church on Sunday 13th November at 10.50 am.

Fireworks

After a 3 year wait, Friends of The Croft School are bringing back the much loved fireworks evening, and extend a warm welcome for everyone to come along and enjoy the fun.



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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS from the meetings held on the 28th September and 19th October

PARISH COUNCIL meeting held 28th September summary

Members present: Cllrs Martin Slinger (Chairman), Adrian Gyde, Ann Daniels, James Cross, Rosie Nash, Roey Parker, Abigail Smith. **Apologies:** Cllrs Andy Cash, Rob Lewis, Ian Massey. County Councillor Susan Williams also sent her apology.

The meeting started at 7.30pm.

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. A period of silence was held prior to the start of the meeting in remembrance of Her Majesty.

Co-option. The Council unanimously agreed to co-opt Mr Philip Taylor for the Slad Ward vacancy.

Edge Village Greens. The Council agreed to continue working with Mr Amaury Blow on the required maintenance of Edge Village Greens. "The Council will leave a period of no cutting each year on the top green and will continue to cut the lower green but not so short"

Electric Vehicle Charging Points (EVCPs) In the Town Hall Car Park. A letter of concern from a user of the Town Hall had been forwarded to the Members prior to the meeting. The Council noted the concerns but said that such had been taken into account during previous discussions. The Council agreed that they would need to ensure that the use of the car park in regard to the EVCPs was fully explained to residents. The Council agreed to the quotation to install two EVCPs in the Town Hall Car Park

Parish Plan. The Council agreed to adopt the updated Parish Plan.

Coronation of King Charles. Ms Selina Blow had asked the Council if the Members would support her application to Natural England for approval to have a beacon on Painswick Beacon in celebration of King Charles' coronation. The Members agreed to give the Council's support.

Grants. The Council approved grants of £500 each for Edge and Sheepscombe churchyards and £1,500 for Painswick churchyard.

Annual Audit. The Council noted that the audit had been passed without comment. The meeting closed at 8.25pm.

PLANNING COMMITTEE meeting held 19th October

Members present: Cllrs Rob Lewis (Chairman), Ann Daniels, Adrian Gyde, Rosie Nash, Roey Parker, Martin Slinger, Phillip Taylor. **Apologies:** Cllrs Andy

Cash, James Cross, Ian Massey. The meeting started at 7pm

Matters requiring a decision.

S.22/1735/HHOLD. Skippets Cottage, Damsells Mill Lane, Sheepscombe. Replacing existing conservatory and addition of second floor dormer to the rear of the property.

The Committee agreed to object to the application as the proposals were not considered in keeping with the character and setting of the area.

The Committee agreed to support the following applications.

S.22/2056/FUL. Worgans Barn, Folly Lane. Installation of two poly tunnels for use in connection with agricultural/livestock.

S.22/2100/FUL and LBC. St Mary's Church, Stroud Road. Replacement of artificial Cotswold stone slates on nave and chancel roofs to natural Cotswold stone slates.

S.22/2099/FUL. Land at Briarfield House, Stroud Road. Erection of one self-build dwelling with associated parking and landscaping.

S.22/2106/LBC. Recreation Cottage, Slad Road, Slad. Replacement and refurbishment of roof.

S.22/2103/HHOLD. Castle Lodge, Cheltenham Road. Proposed installation of stand alone solar arrays.

S.22/2155/HHOLD. Lystra, Paul Mead, Edge. Erection of rear utility room extension.

S.22/2151/HHOLD. Chartwell, Back Edge Lane. Erection of side and rear extensions. (Re-submission of S.22/0461/HHOLD.)

The meeting closed at 7.28pm.

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Reports. County Council. County Cllr Williams had forwarded the following report by email.

"The bridge at the bottom of Green House Lane should now be finished. The pathways towards Pitchcombe are due to be inspected once again as I have been asking for them to be cleared for pedestrians. Water running down Tibbiwell is programmed and due to be sorted Oct/Nov. Sheepscombe flooding is being cleared by lengthmen. I met with Yakub Mulla (County Council officer) and residents to discuss flooding issues and agreed the work".

District Council. No report.

Parish Council Chairman. Cllr Slinger reported that a local Stonemason had been contracted to carry out the necessary works to clean the War Memorial. The work would be undertaken prior to Remembrance Day. He also reported that the Community Speedwatch Team had recommenced speed watch checks. In conclusion, Cllr Slinger reminded Members that the budget for 2023/24 is starting to be prepared and he asked Members to consider items of expenditure which might be need to be included in the budget.

Friendship and Cooperation Agreement. The Council unanimously agreed to undertake a Friendship and Cooperation agreement with the town of Slavutyich, Ukraine.

Gigaclear (Dalcour Maclaren) request. The Council agreed to permit Gigaclear (Dalcour Maclaren) access to pre-existing ducts along New Drive in order to lay fibre optic cables.

The agreement was subject to confirmation that there would be no excavation works or vehicle access.

Library – Gyde Portraits. The Council agreed to seek a quotation to clean the portraits which hang in the Library.

Defibrillator Training. Details of forthcoming Defibrillator Training sessions which were to be held in the Painswick Centre and Edge Village Hall were reported. Cllr Roey Parker would ascertain if there was sufficient interest to hold a session in Sheepscombe Village Hall.

Short Term Lettings. Despite a Government White Paper currently under consideration, several Members felt that not enough was being done by the Local Planning Authority to address local issues regarding short term lettings. The Council agreed to include an agenda item to discuss its concerns at the next Council meeting.

Traffic issues. It was noted that the speed warning signs at the Village entrance and exit signs were not working. A vehicle had been clamped in the Stamages Lane Car Park seemingly for overstaying the 23 hours limit and elsewhere in the Village a vehicle had been apparently clamped for parking partly on the pavement against double yellow lines.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.23 pm.

Wanted

Painswickian of the year

Readers are invited to put forward the names of parishioners who have given exceptional service to the local community over the years. Nominees should be over 21 and a couple may be nominated if appropriate. The nominations are then considered by the Beacon committee.

Please email nominations to beacon@painswick.net by Sunday 11th December at the latest or pop it in the Beacon Box in New Street. Please note earlier deadline date than in October issue.

Illustration for December issue

Please send any proposals either artwork or photographic for the traditional front page Christmas cover to beacon@painswick.net by the 13th November.

Licensing Act 2003

Notice of application for a Premises licence

Name of applicant: Painswick Garden Estate Ltd

Address of premises:

**Painswick Rococo Garden, Gloucester Road,
Painswick, Gloucestershire GL6 6TH**

It is proposed to license these premises for

The sale of alcohol in the Garden Café for consumption on the premises and the sale of alcohol off the premises from the Garden Shop. This licence replaces a previous licence which is no longer valid following the move of the café to new premises beside the Garden.

The full application can be inspected by contacting the Licensing Section (see below). An on-line summary of the application can be viewed on www.stroud.gov.uk.

Representations can be made IN WRITING between:

**Date: 1 November 2022 and Date: 28 December 2022
to The Licensing Officer at:**

Licensing Section, Environmental Health, Stroud District Council,
Ebley Mill Westward Road Stroud Glos. GL5 4UB. Phone 01453
754440, e-mail: licensing@stroud.gov.uk

It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application and the maximum fine for which a person is liable on summary conviction for the offence is not exceeding £5,000.

A46 Reduction in speed limit



Gloucestershire County Council is applying for a TRO (Traffic Regulation Order) the aim of which is for the speed limit at Pitchcombe junction, where the A46 meets the A4173, to be reduced from 50mph to 40mph, to make the junction safer. Currently this TRO only covers the immediate vicinity of the junction itself. Although very much in favour of the proposed 40mph limit at the junction, Pitchcombe PC have objected as we believe the current proposals do not address the wider road safety concerns within the village.

In view of all the accidents that have happened on these two main roads over the past 20 years, and although part of this area is outside the Pitchcombe boundary, Pitchcombe PC would like the speed limit from Painswick to Pitchcombe junction (to include the Wades Lane turning) to be reduced from 50mph to 40mph. In Painswick parish there is a very difficult exit from Kings Mill Lane onto the A46 (where the traffic lights are currently) and the possible flooding in the dip of the A46 near to this exit, in heavy rain, makes this area unsafe. Also, we would like the 40mph limit on the A4173 in Edge to be extended down to the junction with the A46.

We feel that, if the 50mph limit remains on the straighter stretches of these roads, vehicles build up speed and often do not slow down enough when they reach dangerous sections, including Pincot Lane junction, (where there is known to be insufficient stopping distance at 50mph), and in the region of Pitchcombe Church on the A4173. The latter makes exiting the village problematical and causes difficulties for pedestrians crossing over to the church and village hall. Visibility is poor at both locations. A general 40mph limit would produce uniformity so that drivers would not feel the need to take their eyes off the road constantly to check their speed. A 50mph limit implies that the road is safe to drive on at 50mph in all areas which is often not the case.

If you wish to support this plan, have incidents to relate or have any general suggestions, please email or telephone our County Councillor Susan Williams at Susan.Williams@gloucestershire.gov.uk – 07766318854. Your support would be appreciated and any information and/or photographs you could provide would be of help to us. A formal consultation will take place shortly and your responses will form part of this. Thank you.

Philippa James – 07891 978889

Pitchcombe PC email address:

philippa.pitchcombepc@gmail.com

Dog Walking at Broadham

Painswick Rugby Club asks members of the public to stop using the pitches as an area to walk their dogs. There have been sightings of dog walkers not picking up after their dogs on the actual pitches although we are not accusing villagers of this, it could be anyone as we're aware dog walkers from further afield also walk dogs there.

Respect must be given to our players who, in the nature of the game, are often in contact with the ground. Coaches have had to bring in their own dog waste bags to collect off the pitches before using them.

Even when foul is picked up there is concern that traces are left. We have a duty of care towards our players and ask to please cease with immediate effect.

Painswick RFC is private property and is for use of patrons only.





Trees from over 2800 households were collected last year

Longfield Christmas tree campaign

Longfield Community Hospice has launched its annual Christmas Tree Recycling Campaign, where, for a donation, local volunteers will pick up your tree at the end of the festive season and take it to be recycled.

The hospice is hoping to collect and recycle more trees than ever this year and needs volunteers with vans to collect Christmas trees from Sunday 8th to Tuesday 10th January 2023.

- Are you a local person with a van who can get involved?
- Can your business volunteer the use of vans and staff teams to collect the trees?

This year, the Longfield fundraising team hopes to raise in excess of £35,000. In previous years, as many as 2,800 households from across Stroud District, Cirencester and Gloucester have taken part in the scheme. All money raised helps to fund the hospice's vital work supporting patients, families and carers across Gloucestershire.

Louise Cook, Longfield's Head of Fundraising and Marketing, is managing the campaign. She said:

"This year we're hoping to make this the best Christmas Tree Campaign ever, but we need your help to make that happen. We're calling on local businesses and volunteers to support us again! Your help has a real impact on what we can achieve for local patients, their families and carers. Please get involved with our Christmas Tree campaign and help Longfield's Hospice to give free care and support, 365 days a year."

To volunteer either with your time or if you have a van, then please contact the fundraising team on 01483 886868 or email fundraising@longfield.org.uk.

To arrange collection of your tree, visit www.just-helping.org.uk/register-tree and make a suggested donation of £10 or more. Registration opens on 15th November 2022.

Jo Fairburn

Summer reading challenge

Congratulations are in order for the following Gadgeteers:

- Max Darrock-Fuller
- Mya Darrock-Fuller
- Tobias Brooks
- Avie Draper
- Florrie Draper
- Willow Harris



They persevered and completed this year's Summer Reading Challenge 2022, which was presented by The Reading Agency in partnership with our Community Library in Painswick.

Mona Polo

Help give a little Christmas spirit

Our apologies for writing about Christmas in early November but we are looking to recruit volunteers to ensure the lights on the yew trees in the Memorial Ground shine again this year and in the future



The lights will be on for the Painswick Goodwill Evening and will be strung around the trees on the weekend of the 18/19th November, depending on weather. Then on 25th, although it may seem to happen by Santa's magic, each tree needs to be connected to its control box and the timer set. Although snow and ice is very festive, it can make the job very chilly, and doing the big switch on in the dark can be tricky!

More hands makes light work so we are looking for volunteers to give a couple of hours over the festive season to bring a little Christmas cheer to Painswick residents, visitors ... and those passing through on the A46.

Contact Amy Leivers and Ross Munro by usual means otherwise, if you can help, through PainswickChristmasLights@gmail.com

Amy Leivers & Ross Munro

Library Book club



The next meeting of the Painswick Library Book club is on Monday November 21st, from 1.30-2.30 pm in the Library. The book under discussion is *The Paris Library* by Janet Skeslien Charles. We will take a break in December and meet again on Monday 9th January 2023

New members are very welcome to join us. For further details email painswicklibrary.bookclub@gmail.com

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Christmas Foodbank Appeal

Our next and final Foodbank collection of the year will be on Wednesday 30th November. (We will be back in January!)

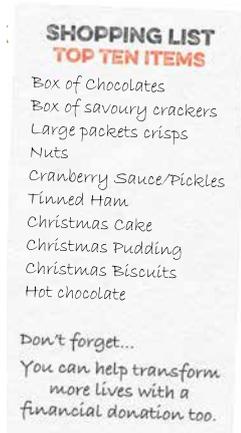
It would be difficult to overstate the challenging circumstances that many families in the Stroud area will find themselves in this winter. We hope that, with our collection in Painswick, we can make a difference to those struggling to feed themselves. No one should ever go hungry but it is particularly critical during school holidays and when heating homes during cold weather takes precious resources away from those in need. By donating to the Foodbank Christmas Appeal, food can be put directly on the tables of others – a Christmas gift indeed.

For those who can donate, we respectfully request the following items: box of chocolates, box of savoury crackers, large packets of crisps, nuts, cranberry sauce, pickles, tinned ham, Christmas cake, Christmas pudding, Christmas biscuits and hot chocolate.

We will be stationed at our usual spots in Stamages Lane Car Park and by the Stocks.

If you wish to make a bank donation, you can do so using the following details:

Stroud District Foodbank CIO
Sort code: 09-01-29
Account: 21994911



Thank you to all our loyal supporters who have cheerfully and consistently donated each month. We are so grateful. And we wish everyone a peaceful Christmas.

The Foodbank Team

Art at ARC

ARC, formerly Cardynham House, opened its doors to the public on Saturday and Sunday, 15th and 16th October. On view inside the newly restored premises were the contemporary paintings and ceramics of nine artists who were also staying in the refurbished rooms. Their art work will remain in the building until December.



The aim is to change the theme of the displays on a regular basis and thus a new set will replace the current one in December. The theme will be weaving, certainly with an historic Painswick connotation, and the work of five weavers will be featured. It is planned to open this new display to the public for a weekend in January. The exact date will be given in a later Beacon.

Carol Maxwell

We're recruiting Volunteer Advisers

Do you have 8-10 hours to spare per week and are interested in gaining new skills in a friendly environment? Would you like to do a volunteering role that is both challenging and rewarding?

Citizens Advice Stroud & Cotswold Districts is looking for volunteers to help deliver our service giving information and advice to clients. No prior experience necessary. Our next training programme starts early 2023.

To find out more about the role and what is involved, please head to our website: www.citizensadvice-stroudandcotswold.org.uk. Information sessions will take place on Wednesday, 9th November, 2 - 3.30 pm at Cirencester and on Monday 14th November, 10.30 am - 12 noon at Stroud

To register your interest in one of the above sessions, or to have a chat about volunteering with us, please contact Britta Lippiatt, Learning & Development Officer on 01285 425543 or email: britta.lippiatt@ca-scd.org.uk.

Peter Rowe



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Silent Earth

I did say I would return to the book of the above title, written by Dave Goulson. He is an entomologist deeply concerned about the collapse of insect populations around the world.



To most of us insects, along with arachnids, scorpions, ticks and mites, are just “bugs”. They often cohabit our homes and garden and cause problems, for which we happily destroy them. However they are vitally important to the wider environment and ultimately our future prosperity.

True insects (defined as having a head, thorax and abdomen) evolved about 400 million years ago from arthropod lineages. Once they developed wings they quickly colonised every habitable environment. For millions of years they dominated the skies until the evolution of pterosaurs, birds and then bats. We have identified and named about one million insects (approx 65% of all known species) and it is estimated there could be up to another four million yet to be discovered! Many insects undergo the miracle of metamorphosis (changing from a caterpillar or larva into another adult form) and some have the ability to exist as well organised communities.

Why are insects important? They are at the base of complex food chains. They break down dead animal and plant material, recycling nutrients to keep soil healthy, distribute seeds, turn vegetation into tasty snacks for other organisms higher up the food chain and some are vital pollinators of many of our food crops. Ultimately birds, bats, spiders, reptiles, amphibians, small mammals and fish all depend on insects to eat. Although we have identified so many, we are ignorant of the finer aspects of most of them; how they live and how they interact with their surroundings. Studying some obscure bug can be very challenging and getting funding even more so. Money for research is usually found when there is a human economic interest. Perhaps the best examples are mosquitoes and honey bees which both have huge economic consequences.

I don't think the collapse of global insect populations is in doubt. There are thousands of research papers to prove it, as there are showing the decline of associated species which use insects as their food. The rate of extinctions is alarming. Doubters try to discredit these reports, claiming they are based on poor science or are statistically suspect, but they can't all be wrong. There are everyday examples of how things have changed in my lifetime. When was the last time you had to wash the insect splats off the car windscreen after a long journey? Where are all the moths which used to collect around an outside light? And where are the swarms of May bugs?

To be continued.

Paul Baxter

Looking for Shirley

An interesting request for information has recently appeared on a Facebook page relating to an American soldier based in Painswick in 1944 just prior to the final landings in France. It reads as follows:



‘My uncle, Willford Cavender was stationed in the Painswick area before the invasion. He was a Corporal in the 164th Engineer Combat Battalion which was in the area from March 11, 1944 until sometime near D-Day on June 6. He drove a 21/2 ton truck and would drive men into the countryside for manoeuvres. He on the other hand would sit in his truck and sleep. A young girl who lived on the farm where they were drilling would tease my uncle and not let him sleep. She drew a picture of

“sergeant” Cavender and his truck and made an envelope with a devil inside and printed “Speak of the Devil and he shall appear” and “A present for the Lazy Driver”. Her name was Shirley Cook and was about 10 or 11 at the time. He spoke of her several times and mentioned the picture she had drawn of him. After my uncle passed away we were going through his effects and found the drawing and the felt Devil she had made for him. He carried it all through the invasion, France, Belgium and Germany and though he moved many times after the war, living from California to Alaska and back to Maryland, he kept the card.’



There were of course many American troops based in Painswick for a short period in 1944 and they certainly made their presence felt for the duration of their stay. This particular request comes from Kim Bowers, nephew of Willford Cavender, who would like to hear from anyone related to Shirley Cook, or indeed from Shirley herself of course. If you can help, please send an email to carolmaxwell@talktalk.net or contact the Beacon.

Perhaps you have an interesting recollection yourself of that rather unusual few weeks in Painswick's history. It would be good to hear from you.

Carol Maxwell


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Probus Club Report



After the successful outing to the Severn & Wye Smokery Restaurant earlier in the month, the Club's subsequent routine meeting with a guest speaker on 19th Oct 2022 was expected to provide a platform for an important talk about how to avoid becoming a victim of fraud. Unfortunately, 30 minutes before the due time we were informed that the speaker would not be able to attend. Noting the dismay of the speaker organiser, members offered suggestions for improvisation.

John Todd recounted a topical incident that very morning when a telephone caller purporting to be from the bank queried 2 supposedly unusual transactions; Margaret wisely ignored the request to select an option to have the matter investigated further, and hung up.

Then Henry Hall gave an account of his education and extensive RAF training, which led to an aircraft engineering career.

Finally Gordon Horner, who recently retired from Stroud Hospitals League of Friends after 43 years' service, introduced us to the work of the registered charity whose aim is to support both the General and the Maternity Hospitals, and the health and welfare of the local community. Over the years the League has made significant financial contributions to the development of the operating theatre, and to the ultrasound, endoscopy and complex leg-wound services in particular, which would not otherwise be part of normal NHS provision in Stroud.

Henry Hall

Stroudwater Navigation

At our October meeting Martin Bryan provided us with a fascinating insight into the history of the Stroudwater Navigation Company. Founded in 1774 it is to this day still the owner of the Stroud canals and its records are complete with those from 1774 to 2014 being deposited at the Heritage Hub (formerly Gloucester Archives).



The collection contains minute books, letter books (over 10,000 letters in 20 books), thousands of other maps, quotations and associated documents along with the tonnage books (the record of the cargos carried). These documents have now all been scanned and are available to view on the Stroudwater Navigation Archive Charity website. Many of the documents have now been either transcribed or summarised although this is an ongoing work for which volunteers are always being sought.

Martin proceeded to give us a taste of the wealth of information available in the records – details of the early plans for the canals; problems with the construction of locks, bridges and Sapperton tunnel particularly the problems that Fullers earth caused to brickwork; details of cargos from the tonnage books – coal, copper, Buddings mowers manufactured at the Phoenix works Thrupp being sent to R&A Ransomes of Ipswich who later took on the manufacturing rights.

The coming of the railways signalled the end of the canals as a viable transportation route though it was not until the 1950's that they were finally abandoned to be resurrected in more recent years as a leisure asset.

Our next meeting on 15th November is a talk by Elisabeth Skinner of Sheepscombe on Stephen Welch, arch-cad & slave trader of Ebworth. It should be another fascinating presentation.

Peter Jackson

Churches Together Around Painswick

The Annual General Meeting will be held in the Church Rooms on Thursday 10th November at 7pm.

The guest speaker will be David Drew. Everyone welcome..

Terry Parker



Painswick gardening club

James Allison gave us a very interesting and informative talk in October. His knowledge and enthusiasm was infectious and his wonderful slides showed the many plants that will tolerate wet conditions. He gave us ideas on the shape and design of ponds and their surroundings and his Hints and Tips sheet has given us a mine of information to read at home.



Dates for your diary: On 9th November Duncan Coombs will talk on "Winter Beauties" when he will look at the plants and plant associations that can be produced for winter colour interest in our gardens and on 14th December we will be holding our Christmas party! On both these dates the Painswick Centre will be open from 7 pm for refreshments and the talk will start at 7.30 pm.

Philippa Miller

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The guarantee of an excellent talk well delivered must surely be the hope and aim of all interest groups. For The Arts Society Painswick such an achievement is always the case at all of their meetings. With ten talks each year this is quite a feat.



The Society was founded in 1984 (initially Padfas) with the aim of introducing a wide range of decorative and fine arts. It has continued to provide inspiration and enjoyment to many in Painswick since then and the current programme is definitely of the same ilk. In addition to the ten monthly talks there are also two whole days of special interest, each focussing on one selected topic for a more in-depth consideration. There is also a visit, this year to Waterperry House and Gardens near Oxford.



Full house for the Arts Society meeting

Painswick's Society is part of the national Arts Society. All speakers are specialists, widely recognised within their subject area, and have been accredited by the national Society after rigorous assessment. A further criterion applied in the accreditation testing process is the ability to demonstrate good presentation skills. The upshot – each talk is a superb combination of outstanding knowledge and understanding excellently presented. The range of subjects is wide including, for example, architecture, artists, designers, china, glass, furniture, jewellery, music, painting and more.

The Painswick meetings are friendly and sociable and educational with plenty of opportunity to engage in discussion and questions. They are held in the Painswick Centre at 11.00am on the second Thursday of each month with the exception of January and August. There is a website www.theartsocietypainswick.org.uk Membership is open to everyone or you are welcome to attend a meeting as a guest – contact either Jeni Craig email jenimcraig@googlemail.com or Elisabeth Noblet email elisabethnoblet@gmail.com for more information.

This is a truly inspirational Society offering top class knowledge brilliantly presented in a warm, sociable atmosphere and open to everyone.

Carol Maxwell

Amazing building, amazing collection

At the October meeting of the Arts Society Painswick Dr Sophie Oosterwijk from Holland gave an excellent presentation on the Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam.

The Rijksmuseum is the national museum of the Netherlands and Dr Oosterwijk's talk explored both its history, a compelling story in itself, and the collections housed therein. The original founding and subsequent developments of the museum are significant and fascinating culminating in the massive and impressive building to be seen today. Essentially focussing on Dutch art, as the largest art museum in the country it has a vast collection of works by many artists including the most well-known and famous painting by Rembrandt, the Night Watch.

Dr Oosterwijk's knowledge on this, the most famous museum in Holland, based on her extensive research was truly impressive. Her presentation with appropriate and helpful visual aids was excellent and much appreciated.

The subject of the next Society meeting will be The Alcazar Seville presented by Ian Cockburn. This will take place in the main hall of the Painswick Centre on 10th November following the AGM and starting at 10.30am. Everyone welcome.

Jeni Craig

Tax it or be clamped

At least two cars were clamped in and around Painswick on 2nd October by the DVLA not, as suggested in the Parish Council report, for parking infringements but because their owners had failed to tax them.



The Beacon has also had reports of recent speed enforcement action within the 20 mph section on the A46 - Beware!

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News from St Mary's

November is the Remembrance month when we remember all those who lost their lives during two world wars and other wars as well. At the moment our hearts go out in sympathy to all those suffering in Ukraine through Russian aggression, cruelty and war crimes. We also remember with sadness the many who have suffered lifelong injuries physical and mental through their involvement with warfare.



There is a service on Armistice Day, Friday 11th November at Painswick War Memorial at 11am. It will be led by our Associate Priest Revd. Andrew Leach. Two minutes silence will be observed at the beginning of the service. Remembrance Sunday follows on 13th November with a Remembrance Service at St Mary's at 10.50am again led by Revd. Andrew. There is a warm welcome for anyone to attend either or both of these services.

The final Sunday of the current Church Year is on 20th November. The lectionary theme for this day is "Christ the King" celebrated with the liturgical colour red. The communion service will be at the usual time of 10am and will be led by Revd David Reynish.

On the last Sunday, November 27th, we begin a new Church Year with the beginning of Advent. Advent is marked by the liturgical colour purple signifying a season of penitence and repentance as we move towards Christmas.

The main gospel readings for our principal services change each church year on a three year cycle – years A, B and C. These readings are taken from the synoptic gospels, Matthew, Mark and Luke with readings from St John interspersed occasionally between them. Year A is St Matthew, Year B is St Mark and Year C is St Luke. The new church year beginning on 27th November is Year A with gospel readings from St Matthew.

Wishing you all a blessed Advent

David Newell

Policing, Estate Agents and Highwaymen



We made it! Members enjoyed a spectacular September starting on the 16th with a very interesting talk by Dr Tim Brain, retired Gloucestershire Chief Constable, on the difficulties and problems facing today's Police forces. He thought that more time was being spent on solving social problems rather than old fashioned policing. Also cybercrime was increasing and the public needed to be careful in disclosing personal information either via the internet or phone calls. A warning we all need to heed. Then on the 30th Guy Tabony, from our local Hamptons Estate Agents Office, spoke to us about life as a Village Estate Agent. He showed slides of local properties, which had been sold in the 1970/80's and asked members to guess the current valuations. Many were staggered by the significant increase in value!

Then on the 14th October we had a fascinating talk from John Putley entitled "Stand and Deliver" – the history of Highwaymen. He brought to the Meeting a selection of flintlock pistols and a blunderbuss, which were the principal weapons of Highwaymen. He explained that Highwaymen mainly stole coins and tobacco as banknotes or jewellery could be easily recognised. Also to the surprise of many present Highwaymen were not all men. Some of the most famous were women who often dressed as men. If caught both men and women were subject to the same punishment, death by hanging. Daniel Neale was a famous Gloucestershire Highwayman who was hanged in Gloucester prison in 1763.

What about November? The Club will hold its AGM on the 11th after which there will be a talk on "The History of the Friday Club." On the 25th we have "Getting in the Mood for Christmas" when we shall be entertained by the Ukuladies, a ladies group of Ukulele players! Can't wait!

Has this wetted your appetite for interesting Friday afternoons? Meetings commence in the Town Hall at 2.30pm. Come and join us for good company and the opportunity to chat over tea and biscuits. See YOU on the 11th November.

Mike Kerton

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Live music at Richmond

Richmond Villages Painswick opened its doors to the public for an afternoon of live music and afternoon tea.

The event, which occurred on Thursday 13th October saw residents and the public enjoying the mellow and rich sounds of the live pianist, who performed a mix of jazz and soul favourites such as 'Fly Me To The Moon' by Frank Sinatra and 'Easy' by Lionel Richie.

With the crisp sound of the piano in the background, everyone was then served a traditional afternoon tea, which enabled all in attendance to socialise and sing along to well-known tunes.

During the event, everyone was encouraged to view the village's luxurious properties and outstanding on-site facilities which included the restaurant and bar, newly refurbished wellness spa which hosts a pool, gym and beauty rooms plus a tour of their breath-taking rooftop terrace which has panoramic views of the Cotswold countryside.

Matt Evans, Village Manager at Richmond Villages Painswick said "It was such an amazing afternoon for both the residents and staff, we all laughed, sang, and talked the afternoon away! We try our hardest to provide regular activities and events for our residents to enjoy and, invite the public to join in where possible. An event like this is definitely something we will be reorganising in the future."

For more information visit - <https://www.richmond-villages.com/retirement-villages/painswick> or call 01452 347874.

Amy Carter

Chernobyl, 2022

The war in Ukraine has brought a number of families to live in Painswick and the surrounding area. By chance several of these are from Slavutych, Ukraine's newest city, which was constructed to house the workers of Chernobyl and their families following the disaster there in 1986.

One of these guests is Julia Marusich. In her normal life Julia is a visitor guide at the Chernobyl plant. She gave a small audience of Painswick residents an enthralling account of the design and construction of the site through to the decontamination and storage work that is still going on there today. We saw deserted Pripjat, a town whose 50,000 people were told to leave in the days after the disaster and who never returned to their homes. We heard about the wolves in the vast exclusion zone around the site, about the remarkable properties of willow-trees, planted around the cooling pools to help disperse radioactivity, and about the problems caused by the temporary Russian military occupation.



If you would like Julia to give a talk on Chernobyl to your society or a group of friends, please do get in touch with her on marusichjulia@ukr.net. We can thoroughly recommend her.

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Christmas wreaths with Emma

A Christmas wreath is such a joyous symbol of the season and even more so when it is the result of one's own handiwork. How fortunate therefore that in Painswick such a creative opportunity has become a regular annual event – for the past eight years in fact. The wreath making workshops, organised by Emma Hutchinson, have proved to be both very popular and much enjoyed by all the participants.



This year's workshop will take place in the Painswick Centre on Saturday, 3rd December 12.00-1.30pm. All materials will be provided and of course Emma's expert tuition and guidance will be on hand throughout. You simply need to bring a pair of scissors. A seasonal workshop in a sociable atmosphere and the pleasure of taking home your own decorative creation – definitely time well spent.

Emma will also be selling wreaths from late November and will be present with a stall at Goodwill Evening, 25th November, where a range of wreath designs will be displayed and orders can be taken. Furthermore,

the Bespoke Flower Company, Emma's full-time business which is known for its consistent excellence and the exceptional quality of the flowers, arrangements and service provided, will be delivering bouquets locally throughout December.

Booking for the workshop is advisable through the website www.thebespokeflowercompany.co.uk/product-page/luxury-christmas-wreath-making-workshop or tel. 07798 672227. Details of all services including ordering are on the website www.thebespokeflowercompany.co.uk

This is an excellent local service worthy of your support and one which brings great joy to all.

Carol Maxwell

“Brave, bold and brilliant”

This was how the president introduced award winning travel agent, Miles Morgan, at Yew Trees WI's September meeting. It was soon apparent that this charismatic speaker was born with a love of sales in his blood. He put his gift to good use from the age of ten when he began to sell plants in Taunton, at fifteen he progressed to a full time market stall. Aged eighteen he started his career in the travel industry where he rose rapidly through the ranks gaining a wealth of experience in almost every aspect of the trade. In 2006 he left the corporate life to start his own business, believing that customers deserved a better service on the high street. He has amassed an amazing array of awards in the travel business, and obviously delights in running nineteen highly successful stores in the South West and South Wales. Despite the major setback of a pandemic Miles still views his glass as half full. It was a most entertaining and inspiring evening.



In early October a party of members and friends enjoyed a visit to The Everyman Theatre to see 'The Two Popes'. A fascinating and humorous play about the short troubled tenure of Pope Benedict XVI and his replacement the more liberal Pope Francis. Anton Lesser and Nicholas Woodeson starred as the two very different pontiffs. Some of the party made a real evening of it by having dinner together at Matchams before the performance.

On a sunny autumn afternoon Yew Tree members joined with others from both Edge and Sheepscombe WIs for an entertaining visit to Chavenage House near Tetbury; an amazing Elizabethan house and the location for many well known films. On arrival the party enjoyed an introduction from Caroline Lowesley Williams and were then taken on a fascinating guided tour by her brother George, who shared tales of their family who have owned the property since 1891. A delicious buffet tea prepared by Joanna – the third Lowesley Williams sibling – rounded off a really special afternoon.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 22nd November at 7.30 p.m. in the Church Rooms when Cathy Twiss will give a talk on Waitrose. Ladies do come and join us.

Celia Lougher 812624



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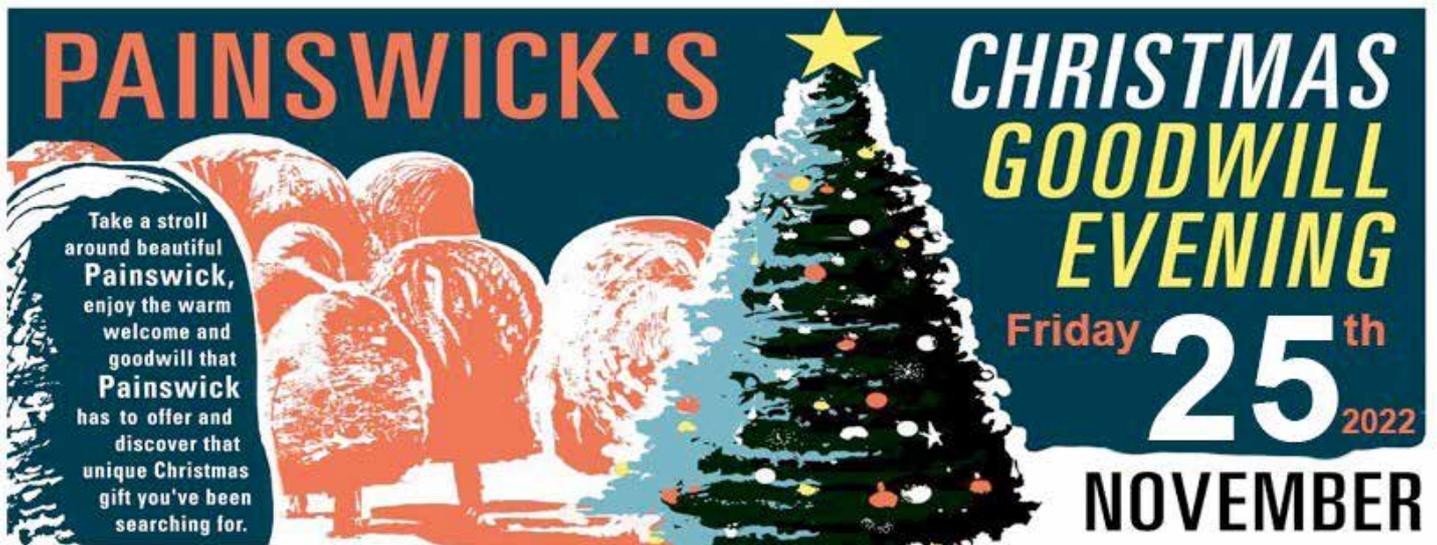
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On the 25th November, the usually quiet lanes of Painswick will be filled with locals and visitors, each wrapped up against the winter chill, with rosy faces and smiles to share, on the evening of our annual Goodwill celebrations.

At 4.45pm the bells of St Mary's will ring out across the Painswick valley, the fairy lights on the yew trees will twinkle their reply, as our Goodwill evening gets underway. At 5pm you will be treated to festive song from the voices of children from The Croft school together with Painswick Community Choir. This presages the arrival of Father Christmas and children are invited to process around the churchyard with Santa, his elves and their shetland ponies! Santa's reindeer will be found resting up and munching on carrots at the Painswick Centre after their long journey and will be happily sharing their magic with anyone who comes to say hello. Santa's fabulous grotto can be found in the Painswick Centre and is a must visit! In the spirit of Goodwill children are asked to bring an unwrapped gift to give to Santa or for parent to make a donation. Santa will be pleased to hear what little visitors hope to find in their stockings on Christmas morning. Goodwill Maps can be collected from St Mary's in exchange for a donation of tinned/dried goods. Children can collect stamps on maps from participating businesses to enter into a prize draw with winners announced at 7.50pm in the Beacon Hall.

The Painswick Centre will host a festive market with a wide variety of goods from independent sellers and local businesses. Unique gifts, edible treats, seasonal flowers will all be on offer. Hot food and drink sellers will be at the Centre and the bar will be open in The Beacon Hall. Businesses around the village will also be open on the evening, sharing goodwill and welcoming visitors. Raffle tickets will be on sale with a range of wonderful prizes donated by local businesses, these include a 3-course dinner for two at the Painswick Hotel, an overnight stay at The Falcon and many more!

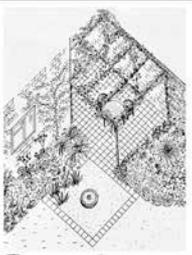
The evening is a not-for-profit event and is hosted in the spirit of Goodwill and giving. Toys given to Santa will be donated to the Salvation Army and onwards as gifts to children who may not otherwise receive a Christmas present. Tinned and dry goods will be donated to a local charity for distribution. Play Painswick and the Painswick Centre will be the beneficiaries of a financial donation to support their valuable work in the village. The organisers would like to thank the Goodwill already extended to the event by their sponsors who include: Murray's Estate Agents, The Elgar Family, Price Davis Accountants and Goddards Garage.

Our Goodwill evening is not simply a great night out. It also serves as a potent reminder of the value of community and the importance of sharing and giving what we can. The evening is dedicated to spreading kindness and compassion, it is about sharing and supporting one another. This is particularly pertinent in the current economic climate. Last year our Goodwill Evening raised over £2000, which was distributed between four charities, The Marah Trust, The Salvation Army, Play Painswick and The Painswick Centre. We are hoping that this year will see similar amounts raised so that the Goodwill extended can have an impact beyond the season and throughout the coming year.

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5pm	We are OPEN! The Painswick Centre St. Mary's Church Participating businesses Collect the children's trail map from St Mary's in return for your donation of dry food goods	Art Competition - View the entries in St. Mary's which will be judged by local artists and winners announced in the church after the singing Performance – Children of The Croft School with Painswick Community Choir will provide some glorious festive singing Map trail – collect stamps on your map by visiting participating venues (maps available from St. Mary's in exchange for a donation of dried/tinned foods) Feeling peckish – hot food available from vendors at The Painswick Centre (open all evening)	Donate dry and canned goods to a local charity – at St Mary's and at The Painswick Centre. In return you'll get your Goodwill map which will guide you round the night's entertainment. Buy a raffle ticket at the Painswick Centre or enroute from a wandering seller
5.45pm	Parade with Santa and his elves	Join the Children's Parade with Santa – gather at St. Mary's, parade through the churchyard, along St. Mary's Street to The Painswick Centre accompanying Santa to his grotto!	Santa's Lantern Parade of Goodwill – with the Elves and their Shetland ponies
6pm	Christmas Reindeers!	Meet Rudolf and his pals at The Painswick Centre	Bring a carrot for Santa's Reindeers!
6.15pm	Santa's Grotto opens! Don't forget to bring a present to see Santa.	Visit Santa Children bring a new, unwrapped gift (not books please) to give to Santa, or parents can make a donation.	Give a gift Children bring a new, unwrapped gift (not books please) to give to Santa, or parents can make a donation. These will be passed on to the Salvation Army who will give them to children who might not otherwise receive any presents this year.
7.50pm	Raffle and map winners announced!	Announcing the winners of the adult raffle and children's map competitions At The Painswick Centre.	
5pm-8pm	Eat, drink, shop and Be Merry at The Painswick Centre – visit food and drink stalls and unique shopping opportunities from local sellers in the Beacon Hall and participating village businesses.		

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Warm Wednesdays

In the October edition of the Beacon we outlined the 'warm banks' initiative of providing a warm space during the winter months. We are holding our first "Warm Wednesday" on Wednesday 2nd November, between 10.30 and 12.30 at the Town Hall to coincide with library opening times. We hope to attract all ages. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available so that everyone will be able to enjoy an hour or two of warmth, refreshments and good reading as well as an opportunity to play boardgames or do other activities if interested!

If you need help or support or have any questions, please call or email us (mobile: 07956203087, email: painswickcommunity@gmail.com). Our phone is manned 7 days a week from 9am to 5pm.

Louise Smith
On behalf of Painswick Community Support

Victorian Fayre, City Sights and Royal Porcelain Museum



CNFC's final excursion of the year is to Worcester on Thursday 1st December where the morning will be spent at the Museum of Royal Worcester Porcelain. After coffee on arrival, we will have an introductory talk, after which we can browse the exhibits and collection. For the remainder of the day, participants will be free to find lunch, explore the first day of the city's Victorian Fayre and perhaps enjoy some street-food. Later, they can choose from a wide range of other places of interest in Worcester to visit. These include nearby Worcester Cathedral (guided tour available), the medieval Greyfriars House & Garden (now owned by the National Trust), the Commandery (the Royalist's local Civil War HQ), or the Worcester City Art Gallery, where a touring exhibition 'Canaletto: A Venetian's View' is currently on display. Cost £35 including coach travel from Stamages car park. Contact me for further details.

We will not be holding our traditional Christmas Lunch in December, as it would follow-on too soon after the very successful Celebration Lunch at Chavenage in September, enjoyed by more than 55 members, most of whom also toured the house. Instead, we shall have a Seasonal Lunch in the New Year – further details from Denise Magauran in due course.

If you are interested in membership – still £20 per person per annum, or £30 for two or more people at the same address, please contact me for further information.

Jane Rowe 813228

Guitar music and Ralph Vaughan Williams



Our 2022/23 programme finally "left the starting blocks" with an excellent presentation by Ann Williams intriguingly entitled "Guitar Music." Ann explained that Lyres and Lutes were the forgoers of the Guitar, both were in use from 1500BC. The original design was with 4 strings. Modern instruments now have 6 strings. Although many of us think of Spain as the main centre for Guitar music we learnt that such well-known names as Paganini, Schubert, Walton, Britten and Bach have composed music specifically for the Guitar. We listened to a wide range of Guitar music ranging from Rodrigo's famous Concerto de Aranjuez, the Beatles and finally Simon and Garfunkel playing and singing "Sound of Silence" which was inspired by a college roommate who went blind.

Then on the 6th October, in commemoration of his birth 150 years ago, we paid homage to Ralph Vaughan Williams. Our Chairman, Howard Allen, set the scene by playing part of a DVD entitled "O Thou Transcendent: The Life of Ralph Vaughan Williams". The film included interviews with people who knew him or were influenced by him and the horrors he experienced in the trenches of the first World War. The second half of the presentation was given over to excerpts from the glorious compositions of R.V.W. A mixture of Symphonies, Overtures and English Folk Songs, including The Pastoral Symphony, The Wasps Overture and the song, the Vagabond from the Songs of Travel. A thoroughly enjoyable afternoon.

But what's to look forward to in November? On the 3rd Howard Allen will present "Orchestral Seascapes" highlighting the way the sea and water have inspired composers such as Mendelssohn and Debussy. Then on the 17th yours truly will be presenting "Well known and well-loved duets from famous operas."

Our meetings commence at 2.30pm in the Town Hall with tea and biscuits served during the interval. We look forward to enjoying YOUR company in November.

Mike Kerton

Forget November Fireworks!

The Rococo Garden provides fireworks of its own in its vibrant autumn colours! Come along and marvel at our beautiful palette of a myriad autumnal shades from yellow, orange, red, and brown during our November weekend opening. This month we will be welcoming visitors every Friday to Sunday from 10am to 4pm (last admission 3pm). In November the kids go free, so if you've little ones in your life, do pop up for a run-around, an autumnal walk and a delicious coffee in our new Cafe. For more details see our website rococogarden.org.uk.

Painswick
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It might feel a bit early to be thinking about Christmas shopping – but in recent years lots of you have bought items from our range of home-grown produce for the festive season – some for your own tables and others as gifts, as part of fabulous hampers of local goodies. I can recommend our Rococo honey, jams and chutneys in terms of edibles. Other popular sellers include our luscious honey soap bars, gorgeous tea towels and other gifts – all sourced and made locally. The Shop is open 10-3 on Garden open days.

Our onsite experts at Exedra Nursery will also be open and offering a fantastic range of garden gifts alongside their top-quality south-west grown Christmas trees from 26th November. See exedranursery.co.uk for more details. It's a great partnership that we're proud to have developed and these garden gurus know where to get the very best plants!!

The Annual Carol concert is our top winter event. Do make a date to join us for Rococo Carols on Friday 2nd December at 6.30pm in St Mary's Church. It's a joyous occasion to meet friends and celebrate the end of the year, with seasonal readings and lusty singing of favourite carols. Admission is free and there is a retiring collection to support the Rococo Garden Trust. Everyone is welcome and it's a brilliant way to start the festive season. I do hope to see you there!

Tim Toghill, Volunteer

Jottings - Looking back on the season

This year has not been kind to any of us. We got through last winter without too many problems. There were few hard frosts, which are a natural way of killing off or reducing the number of some of our pests, slugs and bugs etc.

Spring was early which meant that animals kept in over winter were let back out into the fields early. Fertilizer which we use to grow our crops was used more sparingly because of the cost. We made our first grass cut into big bales for silage and hay. Then the summer came with its extreme heat, added to that with very little, or no rain, at all.

The grass did not grow for the second crop of hay and silage. It became very dry and at times was more like straw, so when our animals had finished that, we had to feed them the silage we had just made. Many farmers were buying in feed just to keep their animals alive. Then came harvest time, and, because of the heat, some of the corn was not ripening properly. The straw was short and very brittle so baling it became like baling chaff. In some cases the dust flying around the machines and straw caused fires. The moisture content in the grain was, in some cases too low, so that it could not be ground up into flour properly.

Some of the rape seed was not saleable because it was so hard and dry. Farmers found that the stems and seeds softened during the cooler, moister evenings and so were cutting it late into the nights. We have had some rain but not enough by a long way but crops are being planted in the hope of good weather to come for them to grow. So it has been a hard summer for humans, animals, bees and bugs.

Martin Slinger

Still no news on A46

For several months now the Beacon has repeatedly asked the County Council, both directly and through County Councillor Sue Williams, for an update on what work is planned on the A46 at Broadham and when we can expect it to start. The 'temporary' traffic lights have now been in place for nearly nine months. We were told in February that an inspector was visiting the site the following week and would make a decision on what needed to be done, and we reported on this in our March edition. Since then no further information has been made available on what work is planned and when.

The latest statement, which we report below in full, appears to add nothing more to what was said in February.

"We would like to apologise for any inconvenience that the temporary two-way lights may be causing. The safety of residents is our main priority and these measures, which are designed to reduce speeds while the edge of the road is unprotected, will need to remain in place for the time being. We are working on a solution to this complex issue and will update residents as soon as we possibly can."

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Secret Postcard Exhibition

Thank you to everyone who created miniature artworks and placed bids in our first Secret Postcard Exhibition and auction, which was displayed in the Handmade in Painswick cafe over the summer. It was hugely popular, and we have been humbled by everyone's generosity. So far it has raised nearly £700, with all funds going into a pot for the restoration of the beautiful but crumbling Beacon Hall. (To celebrate its success, we would love you to join us at the Centre's Art Studios on Thursday 3rd November, any time between 6.30-9pm, for drinks & nibbles and to come and see the exhibition in its entirety for the final time.) Some of the postcards are still available so you might also be able to snap up a little bargain artwork ahead of Christmas!

Ben Waters rock n roll piano

'Key shattering' boogie woogie rock pianist Ben returns for another rock n roll party in Painswick after the sell out gig earlier this year. Doors open Fri 18th November 7.30pm, £14, bar. For tickets please visit www.benwaters.com/gigs

Food Nights

Don't miss this month's takeaway Food Nights, serving 5-8pm:

Thurs 10th Nov	Niangs Thai (homemade Thai street food)
Thurs 17th Nov	TBC!
Thurs 24th Nov	Burgerlish (organic grass fed beef & vegan burgers)

Other dates for your diary

Every Thursday	Morning Market with local produce, 8.15-9.45am
Fri 11th Nov	Wick-Flix presents: Operation Mincemeat

Keep up to date

Always check our Instagram, Facebook and website (www.painswickcentre.com) for up-to-date listings, and our noticeboards at the bottom of Bisley Street are also a great place to find out what's happening. If you would like to be included on our email list so we can keep you up to date with what's on please complete the form on our homepage or email marketing@painswickcentre.com.

Susie Andrews



Operation Mincemeat

Our next screening is Operation Mincemeat on Friday 11th November: some of Britain's finest actors tell the true story of a daring and outrageous secret service operation during World War II. Starring Colin Firth, Matthew Macfadyen, Kelly Macdonald, Penelope Wilton and Jason Isaacs.

"It's the essence of a spy film... a real intricate cat-and-mouse game."

Kevin Carr, Fat Guys at the Movies

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Jim Schembri, jimschembri.com

Wick-Flix is a very special community cinema with a unique atmosphere. Doors open at 7pm, so come along and join us for a drink beforehand (your first one is included with the ticket price). Tickets are £9 on the door, cash or card accepted. The showing will start at 7.45pm, and there will be an interval for more drinks at the bar and sweet & savoury snacks. We are delighted to serve Woodchester Valley Vineyard wines and Marshfield ice creams at our showings. With big thanks to our gold sponsor Murrays Estate Agents and sponsors Woodchester Valley Vineyard and JW Goddard's.

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Library News for November



LIBRARY AGM

The Library's Annual General Meeting, which is open to all, will be held in the library on Tuesday November 22nd starting at 7.30pm. If you have an interest in the library please come along. More information will be on the library's website.

WARM BANKS

We have prepared the library space as a 'Warm Bank' for the coming months and purchased four, very comfortable and colourful easy chairs. In addition to the wide range of books on offer we also have national and local newspapers, some magazines including Which? and free wifi. You don't have to be a library member to come along but it is free and easy to join.

NEW BOOKS – we are in the process of adding the following:

ADULT FICTION

Baldacci, David	The 6:20 Man
Burton, Jessie	The House of Fortune
Cleeves, Ann	The Rising Tide
Coles, Rev Richard	Murder Before Evensong
Colgan, Jenny	An Island Wedding
Garmus, Bonnie	Lessons In Chemistry
Harris, Robert	Act of Oblivion
Hoover, Colleen	Reminders of Him
Jenkins Reid, Taylor	Carrie Soto Is Back
King, Stephen	Fairy Tale
Mackintosh, Clare	The Last Party
McAllister, Gillian	Wrong Time, Wrong Place
McDermid, Val	1989
O'Farrell, Maggie	The Marriage Portrait
Osman, Richard	The Bullet That Missed
Ozeki, Ruth	The Book of Form & Emptiness
Pamuk, Orhan	Nights of Plague
Quinn, Joanna	The Whalebone Theatre
Reichs, Kathy	Cold, Cold Bones
Riley, Lucinda	The Murders at Fleet House
Weaver, Tim	The Blackbird

NON-FICTION

Hale, Lady	Spider Woman: A Life
Monbiot, George	Regenesis: Feeding the World
Palin, Michael	Into Iraq – a journey in March 2022
Winn, Raynor	Landlines: the remarkable story

JUNIOR

Bowles, Paula	Tiny Crab is a Tidy Crab
Butterworth, Nick	Opposites : Percy the Park Keeper
Cowell, Cressida	Which Way To Anywhere
Donaldson, Julia	The Baddies
Owen, David	Alex Neptune, Dragon:Thief Book 1

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November historic crimes

1842 Thomas Ireland, 28, Enoch Gill, 19, Henry Gill, 20, found guilty of stealing 38lbs of lead, property of John Wight. The first two sentenced to 12 months in the penitentiary. Henry Gill transported for seven years initially on the prisonship the Justitia Hulk. With many previous convictions he was presumably considered incorrigible and hence transportation.

Charles Green, 44, hair light brown, eyes blue, fresh complexion, oval visage, scar across neck plus left hand, five moles on belly, three large flesh marks on back and several moles, 5ft 6inches, 137lbs, guilty of stealing half a peck of wheat property of his master John Claridge. One week in the penitentiary.

1852 Alfred Harmer, 18, hair dark brown, eyes grey, visage oval, complexion pale, has lost sight of left eye, guilty of stealing a Cannon the property of Thomas Baylis. One month hard labour Horsley House of Correction.

1862 13 local labourers charged with making a bonfire in Tibbywell-street on 5th Nov. There is a long and colourful explanation of how in fact there had been about 150 people in the street as in previous years and many of them had been actively involved in the event. About four residents had complained thereby bringing about the summonses. There were noisy scenes in the courtroom as the offenders objected to being singled out and all 13 were fined 3/- each or seven days imprisonment. One, Edwin Musty, angrily demanded to be sent to prison but his fine was paid for him. They left court very disorderly making insinuations against the police and cheered loudly when they got outside.

1892 Adeline Birt, domestic servant, charged with attempting to commit suicide by throwing herself into the river Frome. She was pulled out of the river and taken to Stroud hospital. Committed for trial at the Quarter Sessions - and the Bench told her parents to be kind to her.

1902 Frank Green guilty of trespassing in search of game. P.C.Jones, concealed in the field in question, observed the offender. Green amused the court by saying he ran away, frightened at what he saw under the wall. It looked like "a girl big bear", but it turned out to be the constable. Fined 17/-.

1912 Charles Lerner guilty of refusing to obey the orders of the master of Stroud Union Workhouse whilst an inmate there. He would not agree to make beds on a Sunday morning and had been insolent in his refusal. 14 days hard labour.

Carol Maxwell



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World Cup Hockey, Cape Town

The Hockey Masters tournament in Cape Town in early October saw the England Men's over 45 team of which John Boydell from Painswick is a team member, take the bronze medal. They reached the semi-final but lost to the Netherlands who went on to beat Germany to win the tournament but England overcame South Africa in the play offs.

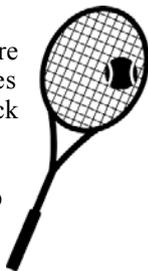


84 teams from almost twenty countries competed in more than 250 matches for both men and women in the age groups 45, 50, 55 and 60.

Bill Boydell

Tennis

Winter is coming and there are plenty of opportunities to play Tennis at Painswick Tennis Club



An improvers/rusty group plays on Thursday evenings at 7pm and those interested in joining should email Ness Fair: nessfair1@gmail.com

For those able to play during the weekdays there are sessions on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings at 10am. For more information email Ruth Smith: ruthandtreavor@btinternet.com

Evening sessions take place at 7pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays, again contact Ruth Smith

Painswick Rugby Club

The 2022-23 season sees Painswick RFC celebrating our 150th season. One of only 14 clubs formed in 1872 that are still in existence, we are officially the oldest village club in England. We have seen a fantastic start to the campaign for the first XV, competing in Counties 4 Tribute Gloucestershire North division for the first time, with new captain Neil Churchill leading the side and taking maximum points so far.



With new senior coach Richard Wren overseeing his first game in charge, our opening fixture was a great home victory against Longlevens II, with tries from Paul Watson, Sam Andrews, Rogan Wolhuter and Keyan Littleton. 2 goals from Sam Andrews rounding off a 24-19 victory.

Next was a trip to Hereford to play Grey-hound RFC. A very physical game saw

Painswick victorious, Sam Andrews leading the way with 4 tries, with Neil Churchill, Calum Abbott and James Dangerfield also going over. Dom Barnard adding the extras in a 41-34 win.

Back at Broadham the following week we hosted Ledbury II, always a strong opponent from the Forest. Another hattrick scored, this time by centre Liam Littleton. Sam Andrews continuing his scoring streak with a try, and Neil Churchill also chipping in. Just the one goal being scored by Dom Barnard, a 27-22 victory complete.

Looking at going 4 from 4, we travelled to Old Cryptians last weekend and produced our highest scoring effort so far. Youngster Toby White claiming 4 tries on his first outing on the wing. Centre partners Neil Churchill and Liam Littleton also scoring a try a piece. The forward contribution came from prop Paul Watson and Number 8 James Dangerfield, Dom Barnard adding 4 conversions. Then on the 22nd October the team scored a great victory 20-10 against Cheltenham in a top of the table clash.

We will also be holding our former players and vice presidents day as the opening event of our 150th celebrations.

Our senior section train at Broadham Fields Tuesday and Thursday from 6.30pm. We are always looking for new (or old!) players, please feel free to come and join us. For more information, please contact craig.mayo@btinternet.com or follow us on our social media pages.

Our mini & junior section train on Sunday mornings from 10am. We currently run age groups from tots (reception age) to Under 11s (year 6), as well as Under 15s and a Colts team. For more details and to check our fixtures, please contact painswickrfcminis@gmail.com. Please feel free to bring your aspiring young rugby players for a free taster session.

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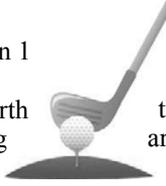
Promotion for the Painswick A team to Division 1

The A Team had a fantastic season in the North Gloucestershire Foursomes League coming 2nd in Division 2, hence securing promotion to Division 1 for next season. For a Golf club of Painswick's size with a small membership to compete against clubs of the stature of Broadway, Gloucester, and Cotswold Edge etc, who all have large memberships, to achieve promotion this season is a fantastic achievement. Now to be in Division 1 next season with the likes of Minchinhampton & Cotswold Hills, the real big hitters of the League, is truly very exciting. We have a good blend of young players in their 20s who played this season and incidentally they were all juniors of the club back in the middle 2000s and this is now bearing fruition and with the back up of experienced players in their 40s and 50s this has worked really well.

The A Team were captained superbly by Robin Anthony this season and his philosophy of mixing the pairings for every match proved a master stroke which has brought freshness to the team. The foundation was a great home record of winning 4 and halving 1 match at home and then amazingly winning 3 away matches at Gloucester, Brickhampton Court and Forest of Dean G.C.

Roll on next season and we welcome Division 1 Golf to Painswick Golf Club in 2023, it's been too long away and I'm sure we are going to enjoy the ride.

*Simon Overthrow
Captain Painswick Golf Club*



Thankfully, the weather is changing, becoming cooler and wetter, and the course is recovering after the battering it received from the heat of the summer. The greens have been scarified, sanded and seeded and are now much improved. Other areas receiving attention have included filling rabbit holes, though the rabbits then dig new holes. A gentle war of attrition!

The summer season of competitions is drawing to a close. In the Seniors section, the last trophy competition, the rearranged Organ Niblick took place on 13th October and was won by Mahboob Hussain with a superb 46 stableford points. The Iron Man knockout matchplay competition was settled two weeks earlier with Steve Wellon overcoming Finlay McLean in the final. The Seniors Captain's Day competition was held on 20th October. This year it was a Texas Scramble (teams of 4, with 4 drives from each player and the person driving could not take the next shot), and was won by Martyn Brown, Nigel Barnett, Paul Walsh and Peter Rowe with a net score of 53.2.

The Margaret Kemp Texas Scramble was played at Minchinhampton Old Course this year. This is a friendly competition in which mixed teams of ladies and men from both courses compete. The winning team scored 54.6 nett and was composed of Mike Dorey, John Barrus, Sue Rosbotham and Judith Courts.

Congratulations to all the winners.

Visitors are welcome at the golf club. Our unique course includes playing over the ramparts and through an iron-age hill fort. Green fees are payable at the clubhouse before starting your round. The clubhouse is open to members of the public for meals and refreshments and offers a venue for Christmas and other events. Please call 01452 812180 for opening times and further details.

Peter Rowe

The Monday Morning Walkers

This long-standing community group meets in Stamages Lane car park at 10 am every Monday (except Christmas Day). We have no formal leader, instead, we take up the most appealing walking route suggested on the day. The walks last about 2 hours on average, covering approximately 4 miles, using the wonderful network of paths and tracks criss-crossing the Painswick Valleys. Stiles and steep hills are unavoidable, but our efforts are rewarded with fantastic views and stimulating conversation.

The Monday Morning Walkers group has been in operation for many years, having been led by the late Patrick Daly who handed over to Hywel James. We are entirely informal, with no membership, no subscription, and no insurance. Each of us accepts that we walk at our own risk, arriving at the start suitably shod and clothed, ready for whatever the weather throws at us, and for the conditions underfoot. Carrying a bottle of water is advisable. Some walkers peel off early if they want to return home before the rest of the group.

If you would like to walk with the group, please just turn up on any Monday morning at 10 am in Stamages Lane car park. Or feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Health Walks: want to enjoy walking again but looking for something gentler? Please try the group walks offered on the website www.strollinginstrouddistrict.org or phone 01453 766321 for information.

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PLANNING MATTERS

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NEW APPLICATIONS

S.22/1735/HHOLD
Skippets Cottage, Damsells Mill Lane, Sheepscombe
Replacing existing conservatory and addition of second floor dormer to the rear of the property.
S.22/2056/FUL
Worgans Barn, Folly Lane
Installation of two poly tunnels for use in connection with agricultural/livestock
S.22/2100/FUL & S.22/2101/LBC
St Marys Church, Stroud Road
Replacement of artificial Cotswold stone slates on nave and chancel roofs to natural Cotswold stone slates.
S.22/2099/FUL
Land At Briarfield House, Stroud Road
Erection of one self-build dwelling with associated parking and landscaping
S.22/2106/LBC
Recreation Cottage, Slad Road, Slad
Replacement and refurbishment of roof.
S.22/2103/HHOLD
Castle Lodge, Cheltenham Road
Proposed installation of stand alone solar arrays
S.22/2155/HHOLD
Lystra Paul Mead, Edge
Erection of rear utility room extension
S.22/2151/HHOLD
Chartwell Back, Edge Lane
Erection of side and rear extensions. (Re-submission of S.22/0461/HHOLD)

CONSENT

S.22/1391/HHOLD
Edgewood, Longridge, Sheepscombe
Raise the ridgeline, erection of rear and side extensions and alterations.
S.22/1436/FUL
Land At Beech Farm, Beech Lane
Erection of a livestock isolation covered yard
S.22/1598/HHOLD
Greythwaite, The Highlands
Single storey rear extension to replace existing conservatory, part garage and loft conversion to habitable space, whole house refurbishment
S.22/1711/HHOLD & S.22/1713LBC
22 Gloucester Road
Erection of garage, replacement of implement shed, regrade areas of garden - Revisions to garden room
S.22/1783/CPE
Packhurst Farm, Edge
The use is the use of an outbuilding for residential purposes, under Use Class C3 of the Use Classes Order, in breach of condition 1 on approval S.04/0942/FUL
S.22/1796/TPO
Painswick View, Back Edge Lane, Edge
Ash tree on the rear lawn-This tree has been assessed as having Ash Dieback at Class1 with some reduction in crown density and dieback at the tips. Fell to near ground level and treat stump to

discourage re-growth. The applicant would wish to replant with a Weeping Blue Atlantic Cedar - a species suitable for the size of the garden
S.22/1736/VAR
The Skippets, Damsells, Mill Lane, Sheepscombe
Variation to conditions 2 (materials to be agreed) & 4 (approved plans) of the application S.14/0456/HHOLD - Change to proposed materials. Roof height lowered. Amendments to elevations
S.22/1873/TCA
Byfield House, Bisley Street
The Apple tree (001) approximately 35 ft tall requires pollarding - to be reduced by 15 feet. The self seeded Poplar tree (002) now 40 ft - to be felled.
S.22/1987/TCA
Gladstone House, Far End, Sheepscombe
T1 Cypress - Fell

S.22/2022/HHOLD
Kimsbury Villa, Cheltenham Road
Proposed single storey rear extension.

REFUSED

S.22/0462/FUL Dutchcombe Farm, Yokehouse Lane
Temporary change of use of Stube Barn to a residential dwelling with minor building operations (retrospective).
S.22/1841/HHOLD
Court House, Hale Lane
Temporary permission request for 5 years for a timber structure to cover an existing deck terrace
S.22/1850/VAR Court House, Hale Lane
Variation to condition 4 (approved plans) from the application S.14/0799/HHOLD - To regularise the recent revisions.
S.22/1875/LBC
Court House, Hale Lane
Replacement windows and doors to the barn

Property report

Local estate agent James Murray reports this month 'a dramatic turn in the market due to the rise in interest rates and mortgages being taken away from potential buyers', while Guy Tabony at Hamptons agrees that following the mini-budget (and its reversal) 'the market has most definitely changed'. The longer term effect is unclear, but it is likely to be quieter for a while due to the uncertainty and lack of confidence and that could affect the level of transactions even if it doesn't immediately affect prices.

There are still new properties coming onto the market, which this month include a range of modern detached properties. The Chestnuts is a 4 bed house set back from the road at the top of the village, where Gloucester Street turns into Gloucester Road and within 400 metres of the Croft School (Hamptons, £725,000), while Freshfields is a spacious detached 3 bed home in Cotswold Mead on the lower edge of the village (Murrays, £850,000). Closer to the centre, Gerrans is a 5 bed family house in Orchard Mead (Murrays, £1.25 million).

In terms of stone built period properties, 2 Sunny Terrace in Vicarage Street is a semi-detached 2 bed cottage hidden away above the street (Murrays, £365,000) and higher up Vicarage Street, Flax Cottage is a double-fronted 3 bedroom cottage (Hamptons, £425,000). Out of the village, The Old Church in Jacks Green is now a 3 bed conversion looking over Sheepscombe (Murrays, £850,000) and Millfields at The Vatch has a two acre plot in the Slad Valley, with scope to extend (Hamptons, price on application).

2 The New House, a 1 bed apartment in Friday Street, has quickly gone under offer through Murrays and other properties recently going under offer include 2 Upper Tibbiwell Cottages, 4 White Horse Lane and Beacon Lodge on Cheltenham Road. Properties exchanging and/or completing include both 10 and 18 Upper Washwell, 11 White Horse Lane, The Old Inn in George Court and Little Munday in Vicarage Street.

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	Improvers pilates. Info from Heidi 07970 262538	Painswick Centre	9.50 - 10.50am
	Beginners/improvers pilates. Info from Heidi 07970 262538	Painswick Centre	10.55 - 11.55am
	Ballyhoo modern dance classes (primary grade modern). Info from Julie ballyhoochalford@gmail.com	Painswick Centre	from 3.45pm
	Community Choir. Contact Sophie sophie@sophiesterckx.co.uk	Painswick Centre	7.00 - 8.30pm
	Short Mat Bowls. For beginners and experienced players. All equipment provided. 2.00/session to cover refreshments	Town Hall	2.00 - 4.00pm
Tuesdays	Drawing classes. Info from Susan Skester skester@outlook.com	Painswick Centre	9.30 - 12.00pm
	Zumba with Martina 07891 194396	Painswick Centre	9.45 - 10.45am
	Painswick Art Club	Church Rooms	9.30 - 1.00pm
	Rococo Sprites. See www.rococogarden.org.uk	Rococo Garden	9.45 am
Wednesdays	Strength and Balance class for the over 60s. Contact Trish Tenn on 07956 4666617 or tennpatricia@gmail.com	Church Rooms	10.00 - 11.00am
	Warm Wednesdays - Painswick Community Support is providing a warm space with tea, coffee and biscuits. All welcome	Town Hall	10.30 - 12.30pm
Thursdays	Morning Market	Painswick Centre	8.30 - 9.30am
	Nurturing Yoga. Contact Kim on yoginikim@icloud.com	Painswick Centre	9.30 - 11.00am
	Hatha Yoga. Contact Kim on yoginikim@icloud.com	Painswick Centre	11.15 - 12.45pm
	Tai chi. Contact Joe on 07960 753782	Painswick Centre	1.30 - 2.30pm
	Dog Training Club. Contact Fiona Chapman on 01452 812462 or fiona.chapman123@btinternet.com	Church Rooms	10.00 - 12.00pm
Fridays	Yoga for Backs. Contact Kim on yoginikim@icloud.com	Painswick Centre	9.30 - 11.00am
	Ballet with Claire Tracey. Contact BalletClaire@outlook.com	Church Rooms	9.30 - 10.30 am
	Painswick Community Hub Café: serving tea, coffee and homemade cakes. All welcome	Town Hall	10.00 - 11.30am
	Church Choir Practice. Contact Chris Swain cgsvain:btinternet.com or 01453 822998	St Mary's Church	5.30 - 6.30pm
	Classical Pilates Mat Classes with free taster. Whole body workout for all ages and ability. Contact Jo on 07768 799741 or info@joannedaleypilates.com .	Painswick Centre	11.00 - 12.00pm
Saturdays			
Sundays	Mass	Catholic Church	8.30am
	Quaker Meeting for Worship	Meeting House	10.30am
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Village Diary

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November

Sat	5	Croft School Fireworks Night	Croft School	5.00 - 7.00pm
Mon	7	Community Lunch run by Monday Walkers	Town Hall	12.00 - 1.15pm
Wed	9	Painswick Gardening Club: Winter Beauties - Duncan Coombs	Painswick Centre	6.45 for 7.30pm
Thurs	10	Arts Society: The Alcazar Seville - Ian Cockburn	Painswick Centre	11.00am
Fri	11	Armistice Day Service	Painswick War Memorial	11.00am
	11	Friday Club: AGM followed by The History of the Friday Club	Town Hall	2.30pm
	11	Wick-Flix: Operation Mincemeat	Painswick Centre	7.00 for 7.45pm
Sun	13	Remembrance Sunday - Holy Communion (shortened) Remembrance Service	St Mary's Church St Mary's Church	9.30am 10.50am
Mon	14	Community Lunch run by Local History Society.	Town Hall	12.00 - 1.15pm
Tues	15	Cotteswold Naturalists: Introduction to the Mosaics of Roman Corinium - Emma Stewart. Enq 01453 873262	Box Village Hall	2.30pm
	15	Christian Aid 3 course Autumn Supper. Tickets £20.00 ea. Ring 812966 to book. All proceeds to Christian Aid's East Africa Hunger Crisis	Church Rooms	7.00 for 7.30pm
	15	Painswick History Society: Stephen Welch, arch-cad and slave trader - Elisabeth Skinner	Croft School	7.30pm
Wed	16	Painswick Probus: My Life - Paul Sparks	Painswick Centre	10.00 for 10.30pm
Thurs	17	Painswick Music Appreciation Group: Well known and well loved duets from famous operas - Mike Kerton	Town Hall	2.30pm
Sun	20	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church	10.00am
Mon	21	Library Book Club	Library	1.30 - 2.30pm
	21	Community Lunch run by Beacon Conservation Group	Town Hall	12.00 - 1.15pm
Tues	22	Yew Trees WI: Waitrose - Cathy Twiss	Church Rooms	7.00 for 7.30pm
Fri	25	Painswick Goodwill Evening	Streets and Painswick Centre	From 5.00pm
	25	Friday Club: Getting in the mood for Christmas with the Ukuladies	Town Hall	2.30pm
Sun	27	Beacon Praise	St Mary's Church	10.00am
Mon	28	Community Lunch run by Painswick Parish Council	Town Hall	12.00 - 1.15pm

December

Thurs	1	Cotteswold Naturalists: Trip to Worcester Porcelain Museum and Victorian Fayre. Enq to 813228	Stamages Car Park	TBC
	1	Painswick Music Appreciation Group: The call of Rome - Dennis Morgan	Town Hall	2.30pm
Fri	2	Friday Club: Christmas Lunch	Town Hall	TBC

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Personal Column

Condolences

To the family and friends of NINA KIRK of Damsells Mill who passed away on 12th September. There was a private 'friends and family' funeral on 29th September followed by a reception. Nina's passion was her garden and many people admired it as they walked the Cotswold Way along the Painswick Stream. Nina ran the Nina Zborowska Gallery for many years and later organised memorable Garden Visits and Art Event tours for NADFAS and the Art Society. Nina is survived by her husband Brian and son Peter who would like to thank all who sent flowers, cards and tributes and helped with the funeral arrangements and reception afterwards.

Congratulations

To WILLIAM AND CONNIE MOIR on the birth of their daughter, Esme Josephine, who arrived safely on 14th October. A second grandchild for Paul and Claire Moir, and fourth great-grandchild for Marguerite Treglown.

John and Helen Gardner are delighted to announce the recent engagement of their son WILLIAM JOHN JOSEPH GARDNER to CHARLOTTE JAYNE LEWCZYNSKI.

The Beacon is always willing to publish in the Personal Column, news of births, weddings, significant birthdays or anniversaries, new arrivals in Painswick, people leaving the village to live elsewhere, or of deaths. There is no charge for this service.

You could help Vicky Aspinall, if you would send information about those you know for whom a mention in the Personal Column would be appreciated cvasp.26@gmail.com

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Mists, skies, rainbows, sunflowers and autumn colours



Sunrise over the valley (Phil Taylor)



Double rainbow over Longridge



Sunflowers (Joyce Barrus)



Ash in autumnal splendour



Rococo autumn colour (Dominic Hamilton)



Rococo valley on a misty morning (Claire Barnes)

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