

The Painswick Beacon

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2014 – A promising year for Painswick

There is good reason to be optimistic about the immediate future of the village. The Painswick Centre Trustees are to be congratulated in their attempts to create a Community Post Office within the Centre and the Parish Council was told at its recent meeting that the modernisation of the Youth Club building would be completed by the end of February. There is the probability that a new venue for the Tourist Information Centre will be achieved before too long with the conversion of the former gravedigger's hut within St Mary's Churchyard. The creation of the TIC is an excellent example of three organisations, St Mary's Parochial Church Council, the Parish Council and the Tourist Information Committee working together to achieve a community objective. Although no decision has yet been reached there continues to be the expectation that a footway between



The gravedigger's hut

the Stamages Lane car park and the churchyard could be completed by the end of 2014. The Parish Council will shortly be consulting with parishioners whether to retain the unisex convenience or return to separate conveniences. If the decision is for the former option then the Council could achieve an income from the rental of the unused part of the property.

Parish Council tax frozen again

At its meeting on January 15th Painswick Parish Councillors voted unanimously not to increase the precept from that of the last financial year. The precept is the amount of money the council asks the District Council to collect from parishioners to administer the parish after the probable income has been taken into account. The 2014/15 financial year will be the fifth consecutive year that the Parish Council has not increased its precept. The council's projected income is £17,040,00: projected expenditure is £95,633.00.

The Council has twelve members, seven of whom represent the Painswick Ward, two Sheepscombe, two Slad, and one, Edge.

The Parish Council members are: Cllr Martin Slinger (Chairman, (Edge), Cllrs Jason Bullingham, Mrs Ann Daniels, Rob Lewis, Ben Nicholls, Mrs Abigail Smith, Mrs Emma Smith all Painswick, Cllr Ian James and Roey Parker, Sheepscombe, Cllrs Steve Morris and Caroline White, Slad. The councillors may be contacted through the Clerk to the Parish Council, Roy Balgobin whose telephone number is 01452 812722 or by email: clerkpainswickkpc@hotmail.com

Painswick Beacon Conservation Group

It was COLD on the Beacon on 21st January when Tim Wilkins of "Plantlife" and I spent a couple of hours with BBC Points West. They had come to see the work done to increase the numbers of – threatened – Juniper bushes on Painswick Beacon. Nearly four years ago the topsoil was scraped off an old heap of quarry waste, leaving a jumbled scree of stone, and no vegetation. Local, mature juniper berries were scattered on the surface and, surprise!, nearly 50% have grown. The largest is now a whopping 4 inches (100mm) high! With £1,000 donated by the No.1 London Gin Company, PBCG have been preparing another quarry area for more screes and more plantings. We are waiting, and waiting for some dry weather!

David Allott, Acting Chairman, Painswick Beacon Conservation Group



PAINSWICK BEACON
CONSERVATION GROUP

Painswick Centre and the Post Office – Good News!

Mike Hill, a Trustee of the Painswick Centre writes, "Many of you will be aware of the news that the Post office and the Trustees are now into a period of advanced discussion regarding the re-establishment of a Post Office in Painswick.

As we see it, there are 3 separate requirements to be met for this to succeed:

1. The Post Office's support;
2. Finding suitable premises;
3. Sufficient volunteer numbers to staff the new facility.
4. I am pleased to report that the first two requirements have almost been met, and the third is looking very encouraging! The Post office has been most cooperative and is keen to have a Post Office return to our community. The Painswick Centre has been deemed a suitable venue, and the Trustees are delighted to support this. A number of volunteers have generously come forward and it now seems likely that their numbers will be sufficient for the venture to be viable. Please continue to consider whether you might be able to join their numbers to make this certain.

What happens next? The Trustees met with Post Office officials on Monday 20th January to discuss the way forward. A very productive and encouraging meeting took place between the Trustees and 3 Post office officials. The outcome is that all of us are agreed that a new Community post office can be established in the Painswick Centre. Whilst some details still need to be decided, there's a good chance that it could be open around early summer

The number of volunteers will determine its opening days and times; the more we have, the more the Post office can be open. If you are willing to help run the Post office on a voluntary basis, please contact David Linsell on 01452 812464. The Post Office will give full training to everyone involved".

Mike Hill Trustee

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On other pages this month:

Quiz Night, *The Croft School concerns*, Winter on the Farm, *Quiz Night*, *Producing a play?*, *Computer courses*, Glubb Pasha, *Fairtrade Fortnight*, Lent courses.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS 15th January 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

The meeting was scheduled to last an hour rather than the customary half-hour because of the number of applications to be considered. Before the meeting began the Chairman Cllr Rob Lewis welcomed the two new Painswick Ward Councillors, Cllr Mrs Emma Smith and Cllr David Oxendale. Court House, Hale Lane. The application was for a change of use from residential to a 'mixed use' comprising C3 Residential and C1 Guesthouse accommodation. The Members had attended a site meeting. It was a retrospective application. The Committee resolved to oppose the application, their main concern being disturbance to neighbours. Knapp Farm, The Vatch. The application was for the change of use of the agricultural yard to a domestic dwelling, proposed new garage, proposed extension and new access gates/walls. The committee voted to recommend refusal on the grounds that the development was in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and that the development would adversely affect the Listed Building farmhouse.

PARISH COUNCIL

The Chairman, Cllr Martin Slinger, began the meeting by asking if there were any questions from the public. There were none. An apology for non-attendance was received from Cllr Ben Nicholls who had a work commitment.

Painswick Youth Club project.

Cllr Caroline White told the Council that the work was progressing well and was scheduled for completion by the end of February. It was agreed to spend half of the £3,000 contingency money to cover the cost of more expensive flooring,

Village post boxes.

Cllr Bullingham would contact the Member of Parliament as a reply was awaited following his visit to Painswick. The Patchwork Mouse had agreed to have a post box at their premise and the Parish Council had suggested that one could be positioned on land alongside the Lamp House. The siting of a post box must have the local Member of Parliament's support.

The Post Office.

The Council was informed that the feasibility of a Community Post Office being located at the Painswick Centre was ongoing. However the meeting was advised by the Clerk to the Parish Council that a Community Post Office could not be considered until every possibility of locating the Post Office with a local

business had been explored.

County Councillor's report.

Cllr Bullingham reported that the turning circle work at Canton Acre would be completed at the beginning of the 2014/15 financial year. Councillor James expressed concern that on a recent morning there had been treacherous ice on roads in Sheepscombe that had not been gritted. Cllr Bullingham said that he would take up the matter with the Highways Department.

District Councillor's report.

Cllr Nigel Cooper had forwarded his apology.

Works undertaken on Common Land.

There was a lengthy discussion about work that had been undertaken on Manorial Land at Slad and on Painswick Beacon. Cllr Ann Daniels told the meeting that even though Manorial Land had been sold it still retained the conditions attached to such land and was open to public pedestrian access. Cllr Bullingham said that he would not support the Parish Council spending tax payers' money contesting the issue of the right of access. 46 Slad parishioners had raised their concerns with the Slad members. The Planning Inspectorate had been consulted but had told the Clerk to the Parish Council that it was a civil matter. It was agreed that the Planning Committee chairman, Cllr Rob Lewis, would make inquiries about joining the Open Spaces Society as it was understood that the society had experience in such matters. It was understood that the joining fee was £45.

Finance and General Purposes Committee recommendations.

The Clerk reported that the Council was on course for a slight underspend in the current financial year. It was agreed that the Town Hall charges would not be increased and that the Cemetery fees would remain unchanged in the 2014/15 financial year. The Council agreed that the Deputy Parish Council Clerk's hours would be increased by 4 hours each week. It was agreed that there would be no precept increase in the 2014/15 financial year.

Ward reports.

Cllr Slinger reported the problems of storm water off Edge Common. Similar problems had been experienced in Sheepscombe. Cllr Steve Morris reported on the events planned to celebrate the anniversary of Laurie Lee's birth. The Parish Council would offer financial support for the events. Cllr Slinger said that Edge Village Hall now has toilets for the disabled.

The meeting ended at 8.20pm.

Administrator for the Painswick Group of Churches

A vacancy has arisen for an administrator to work for, and support, the Rev. Mike Holloway and the churches in Painswick, Sheepscombe, Cranham, Pitchcombe, Edge and Harescombe.

It is envisaged that the position, which would be based at the Lychgate Office, would be part-time and spread over 4 days per week. The successful candidate would need to be computer literate as well as being familiar in both Word and Excel.

The role is varied and covers answering emails and correspondence, making appointments, managing diaries, making arrangements for Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals, updating "Service Sheets" and managing the Benefice web site.

The position would suit somebody who has secretarial or p.a. experience, is a proven organizer and is in sympathy with the aims of the Church.

All applicants can apply for an application form or send their CV to: - The Rev. Mike Holloway, The Lychgate Office, Stroud Road, Painswick, GL6 6UT.

Should you have any further questions or want to know about this vacancy, please call The Rev. Mike Holloway on 01452 814082.

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The Village Quiz

Although we may still make mention in the next issue of the Beacon, just one week before the event, this is the most important reminder - that the

Village Quiz

which we are delighted to promote - is on **Saturday 8th March.**

At the time of writing nearly half of last year's 23 teams have re-entered; determined to better themselves.

Our aim is to hit the jackpot and have 24 teams this year; the capacity of Painswick Centre.

Knowing how many are coming no less than a week in advance is important so that the popular refreshment tray for the interval is assured, and we sharpen sufficient pencils.



The bar will be open from 7.00pm that night, and remain so until 10.00ish. The questions have nearly all been devised and securely locked away until the 8th.

We're very much aware of the mere entering having the effect of heightening publicity for clubs and societies,

but equally enthusiastic about what we call 'friendship groups' fancying a pleasing night out together. Neighbours, acquaintances, and others who share a sense of fun, and without too strong a desire to demonstrate mental acumen.

Not only are there individual prizes for the top three team members, but the prestigious unique trophy for the ones with the highest score. We urge each team to devise a mascot to bring along, a real chance to devise something to reflect the team's name; a prize for the one which is most outstanding.

The cost is close to that of previous years at £18.00 per table of four, £3.50 per person for a local night out - that has to be a bargain with supper thrown in!

Entries, with team name and cheque payable to The Painswick Beacon please, to myself at mr@lesliebrotherton.com or postal to Longhope, Blakewell Mead GL6 6UR no later than 1st March.

Will I see you there?

Leslie Brotherton

At the January meeting Angela Panruka delivered a superbly illustrated talk on pub signs, their history and significance, with pictures of signs of all sorts from all parts of the country.

Signs hung outside places of social gathering were first brought to this country by the Romans. Throughout the Middle Ages signs were of great importance at a time when the vast majority of the population could not read. At that time ale houses, taverns and inns were what we would now call pubs, with inns the most upmarket being suitable for pilgrims and others who could afford to pay for their entertainment and accommodation. Landlords usually brewed their own ale at a time when there was no assurance of the quality of water - the process involved the boiling of water - and was drunk by the majority of the population. Even nuns were reported as requiring an allocation of a gallon a day.

Many inn signs were an indication of the local landowning family whose coats of arms would be displayed. Often the coats of arms were those of members of the royal family. The "White Hart" dates from 1393, being the coat of arms of Richard II. Many signs had a religious origin, the "Adam and Eve" at Paradise being an example. The "Seven Stars" is a reference to the crown of the Virgin Mary, the "Cross Keys" a sign of St Peter who held the keys to heaven. The "Bull" is a reference to the Pope's seal, having nothing to do with the animal, though most signs of today carry a picture of the animal. The "Rising Sun" is an emblem of Edward III and the "Royal Oak" is a reference to the escape of Charles II from the battle of Worcester. The "Ragged Saff" is a reference to the Earls of Warwick.

Living members of the royal family are not allowed to be portrayed. The speaker showed examples of a number that had portrayed current members such as Prince Charles, Diana, William, Katherine and Prince Harry. All have had to be removed. Similarly, no accurate pictures of coins of the realm should be produced, so one sign with a picture of a George VI sixpence has the date 1970 to indicate that it is not genuine.

There followed a number of more modern signs, some of which bore reference to local activity, such as "Railway Inn" and some even with "Ghost Train" to indicate that Dr Beeching had passed that way.

The Society's next meeting is at the Croft School, Tuesday 18th February, when Tony Condor will present a talk entitled "Do you remember Adlestrop?"

Hywel James.

Painswick Chronicle

Copies of the latest edition of Painswick Chronicle, the History Society's annual journal, are on sale at the Pharmacy, Dawn's Shed, Kate Rich's shop and Cotswold Care shop. Copies of previous editions, numbers 3-15 (1 and 2 are out of print) are also available at Painswick Pharmacy or direct from Carol Maxwell 813387





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Parish Council Meeting

On the 13th January 2014 The Croft School Council created an agenda as they were invited to join a Parish Council meeting. The following list are some things that were discussed, Mirror on the A46 by the entrance to the Golf Club, A sign saying 'The Park' is needed on the main entrance, What is happening to the Post Office/ Post Box?, Wick Street - the bushes need to be cut back, Cotswold Mead - there is a thin wall at the bottom and stinging nettles protrude so is easy to get stung...

Each idea on the agenda was thought through and hopefully will progress in future.

By Holly Luke, Age 10

Amber Fowler, Age 11

Finlay Davies, Age 11

Chloe Payne, Age 10



The Croft School Council

Wednesday Ashwell Group

Members, helpers and drivers enjoyed an excellent Christmas lunch at JKs on 11th December. The table decorations made by the members provided a festive feel. Children from The Croft School entertained members the following week in the morning with carols and readings. Lunch, entertainment and games completed the celebrations for the Christmas holiday.

Our group restarted on Wednesday 8th January. The W A G is a small voluntary run group for elderly people who are lonely and in need of companionship and some stimulation. Anyone interested in more details please phone: Etelle James 813358, Sandra Glass 814186.

Cupcakes for Carers

Cupcakes had a very successful meeting on our second Tuesday tea party when Anne Polet who has recently moved to Painswick explained some of the principles of aromatherapy to us and taught us all how to massage each other's hands! This kind of treatment is lovely for people who may be housebound. We realise that some of you are worrying about the care of elderly parents who may live far away. You might benefit from our relaxing cupcake therapy! Do come along for a friendly chat with us and share the burden a little on February 11th in the Green Room at the Painswick Centre, dropping in between 2.00-4.00pm. Details 813326 or 812464.

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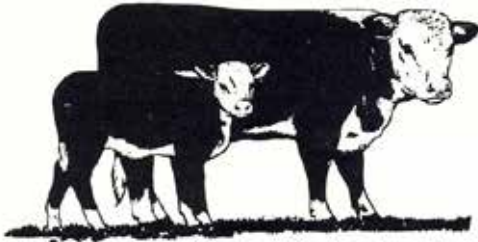
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Winter work on the Farm

Now is the time to be getting the winter maintenance work done on the farm. But the weather we have been having makes it very difficult to do some of the jobs like hedge layering, hedge trimming, fencing and so on. All of us will have stocked up with extra provisions for Christmas and the New Year. So we had to do the same, ordering animal food in early December for delivery before closedown, enough to keep us going through Christmas to the second week in January. If a big freeze comes, we could see frozen pipes and then we will be busy getting water to the livestock in the sheds. They need plenty of water whilst they are eating dry foods.

Sometimes we like to stay in bed when the weather is bad. The animals like to do the same thing and cuddle down in the straw which means less bedding down for us to do the next day. We have two friendly partridges that seem to have taken up residence in the farm buildings. When they see us coming, they run off but are soon back to eat the seed left on the ground from the hay. A little while ago we had a calf born which would not suckle from its mother, suck your fingers, a teat, or drink out of a bucket. We had to tube feed it to keep it alive. Then the opposite happened; another new calf that would not stop suckling from its mother or any other cow which would stand still long enough to let it. It was gorging itself, so we had to take steps to prevent it getting an upset stomach.



Tess, our farm dog likes nothing better than being in the sheds with the cattle, teasing them and lying down with them. They seem to like her company. She will ride on the tractor all day and is a good companion when you are out in the fields. But try and get her into a vehicle! Not likely, unless you physically put her into it.

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Richard Hinds – an appreciation

I first got to know Richard through Stroud Young Farmers in the mid-sixties and later we did a welding course at Hartpury which came in useful when creating the bed in the picture. Apart from Richard in the centre there are members of the Dickenson family, myself and my brother Howard. The bed was raced at Stroud against other Young Farmers teams. However his engineering expertise went slightly awry when attempting to convert the former family Morris Oxford saloon to an open top tourer as it sank slowly to the ground as the roof was removed!

Around that time, parents Jack and Elizabeth were one of my first furniture repairing customers, Richard helping run the family farm and doing outside contract work. On passing his H.G.V. test he ran an AEC lorry to move hay and straw and bought his first J.C.B. to become one of the most proficient users around. He did several jobs for me including preparing for and helping erect our barn. More recently we worked together on a couple of building projects. He was a perfectionist and I much admired his virtually self-taught plumbing and electrical skills. I would like to think we developed a mutual respect and certainly enjoyed a drop of ale and scotch together over the years.

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Painswick Beacon signs

Parishioners who walk on Painswick Beacon will have noticed the signs that have been placed at the various approaches to the Beacon Common. The signs are headed Danger and inform the public that they are entering a golf course and that Painswick Golf Club accepts no liability for injury or damage.

Martin Slinger

December Gathering

Warming mulled wine and cheerful Flamenco music, played by Louis Lovell on a Spanish guitar, opened the evening. This set the tone for the rest of the party in the Church Rooms. After a gammon and salad supper, with potatoes baked in the new range cooker, Gilly Padbury performed a very amusing entertainment. Particularly the piece on "The Days of Christmas" had everyone laughing because it had considerable resonance with their experience in catering for a family over the festive period. Traditional mince pies and stollen, tangerines and coffee followed. Hannah Scott (Jane Burt's granddaughter) sang sweetly and Lucas Bailey accompanied her on the new piano to round off the evening. Songs from "The Phantom of the Opera", "Hello Young Lovers", and "Someone to Watch over Me" were rewarded with appreciative applause.



Change of President

At the AGM Joan Hardwidge stepped down from her role as Yew Trees WI President. Joan has served for two years and has carried out the task with efficiency, charm and good humour. The branch membership has grown considerably during her term of office and members have enjoyed a very varied programme throughout this period. Thank you, Joan!

Jane Burt was elected as the new President at the AGM so now there is fresh leadership for the New Year, 2014. Jane has plenty of interesting ideas and a strong committee will help her to deliver them. Welcome, Jane!

Janet Jenkins



Jane Burt (left) takes over the WI presidency from Joan Hardwidge (right)

Ever Thought of Producing a Play?



Change is in the air at the Painswick Players! At our annual meeting it was decided that we should invite enthusiastic members of the public to come forward with proposals for their own productions – not just plays but anything that might include an element of 'theatre' including music, readings, dance, revue, film etc. And the more imaginative and innovative, the better! We would hope for a fully worked-up proposal – but it is our intention that we should assist with this process and with the production itself, both financially and practically. We have the expertise and the experience to back up your ideas! In the first instance, please contact our secretary, Jean Burgess (details below).

The second change is that, after many decades during which the Painswick Institute (now the Painswick Centre) was considered to be our natural home, we have decided to become more flexible in our choice of venue. The Beacon Hall is not always conducive to contemporary productions while smaller venues offer greater intimacy for the audience and challenges for the actors – remember the outstanding success of Duets at the Church Rooms in 2011? And why should we perform in only one venue? Why not take our productions 'on tour' to the villages of the Painswick Valley or occasionally join forces with other amateur companies?

Our regular, monthly play-readings continue – usually on the last Tuesday of the month. Everyone is very welcome to join us; details of these and other activities will be found in The Village Diary. Jean Burgess continues as our secretary and I know she will be delighted to hear from any prospective member - and from those of you who are just bursting to bring your ideas to the stage! (01452-812167)

Stephen Friar

Master of Wine

Mel Jones writes to tell us that she is a Master of Wine living in Edge next to the Edgemoor Inn. She advises that she gives food and wine tastings, which she calls At Home Tastings, where a maximum of 12 people have six dishes and six matching wines around a theme, such as Italian, Tapas, Christmas, with some education and in a dinner party setting. The cost is £25 per head and Mel reports that most of her tastings last year were sold out but that she is planning 2014 and since quite a few of her customers are from Painswick she thought she would like to bring her tastings to the attention of the whole village.

Her next tastings are:

- Thursday 6th February – Wines to go with Cheese Dishes
- Thursday 20th February – Wines to go with Asian Food
- Thursday 6th March – Wines to go with Asian Food
- Wednesday 19th March – Italian Wines and Food
- Thursday 10th April – Dessert Wines – with puddings and savoury food (£30)
- Wednesday 23rd April – Tapas and Spanish Wines.

Mel offers a £5 reduction per couple to those booking as a result of this article. Her telephone number is 01452 812812 and email: mel@birdswithbottle.com



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London Marathon Run



Jamie Morgan (centre left in photo) and Tim Morgan (centre right) are running the London Marathon in April to raise money for The Epilepsy Society. They are the eldest and youngest of 4 sons of Andrew and Sally. The other two are Charlie (left) and Edward (right).

Edward who is 27 has suffered from epilepsy since birth and during his time at The Croft School he had two brain operations at Great Ormond Street Hospital. Unfortunately his seizures are not fully controlled by medication.

Despite having epilepsy, Edward enjoys a full and active life. He lives at home in Painswick and attends a day centre for adults with learning disabilities where he receives brilliant care and is able to take part in riding for the disabled. Edward loves walking Peppa, the family's black Labrador, and playing cricket and rugby in the garden. His favourite summer pastime is croquet with his grandfather, Dr Jim Hoyland. The brothers are running the London Marathon to raise money for a fantastic charity and one which has been a great support for Edward. They have set up a JustGiving page for anyone who wishes to make a donation www.justgiving.com/Timothy-and-Jamie. Alternatively please contact Sally Morgan on 01452 814202.



Dawn's Shed – a veritable palace of cards

Dawn Mallinson opened her shed in New Street for a few weeks before Christmas. It was a real joy, offering a lovely selection of Christmas cards and a range of interesting little gift items.

Spurred on by the success of this small venture and not least by the obvious need for a card retail outlet in Painswick, Dawn has decided to open the shed on a regular basis on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. She has, by popular demand, filled the small but welcoming space with a wonderful stock of greetings cards ranging from the artistic and beautiful to the quirky and funny and everything in-between. Dawn will also provide a delivery service locally to the elderly and disabled. Tel. 813122 for details and opening times.

We need to support our local businesses more than ever and Dawn's card enterprise is a very good example of why we need go no further than Painswick.

Carol Maxwell

ACP – The Gallery

It has been delightful to welcome so many visitors to the Gallery over the past few weeks. If you have not yet paid a visit – do come! This stunning and inspiring gallery in the Painswick Centre offers the opportunity to experience an intimate appreciation and understanding of the craftsmanship involved in the many exhibited works of wearable art, and we regularly create fresh exhibitions which include opportunities for new artists to showcase their work.

We have an ever-changing range of wonderful merchandise including beautiful and very reasonably priced porcelain and jewellery; individually designed hats and silk scarves; greetings cards designed and created by local artists and, of course, our beautiful ACP book. A large majority of the items have been made by previous ACP entrants and are truly unique.

Photography Workshop

ACP is offering a rare and exciting opportunity for amateur photographers to work with professionals to develop their skills! The workshop takes place on Friday 7th March and will be led by McPherson Stevens Creative - a Cheltenham based company with whom ACP have worked over the past few years, and whose work regularly appears in our favourite glossy magazines. The workshop will start at The Painswick Centre for a welcome briefing before dividing into groups to collect images of models wearing ACP costumes around the iconic centre of Painswick. They will reconvene later at The Painswick Centre to share experiences and show each other some of their best images. These images will form part of ACP's publicity, and successful participants might be invited to form a support photographic team for the 2014 festival.

Places are very limited so please register your interest as soon as possible.

You can call in at the Gallery, open Thursday through Sunday from 11am – 3pm or call Caroline Crawford on 07957 867 389 or email her at galleryacp@gmail.com

How can you support ACP?

ACP is a charity and is reliant upon sponsors and contributions from the public. This can take the form of funding, value in kind, or voluntary help, so please let us know if you would like to get involved. We particularly need volunteers who would be happy to 'man the desk' in the Gallery for a few hours at a time. This could be a regular commitment, or on an adhoc basis. The more volunteers we get, the fewer hours each person has to do – so please get in touch if you can help.

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Now the Festive season is behind us, we are looking forward to continuing to serve the community into 2014. The front page article refers to the progress

made by the Trustees in seeking to create a Community Post Office at the Centre. Dates for your diary include:

An Attic Sale on Sunday 23rd March - a repeat of this popular event! If you would like a table for this event please contact Jennie at jennie@painswickcentre.com or call 01452 814387 Tuesdays or Thursdays 9-1pm. The Painswick Centre AGM is on Tuesday 8th April at 7.30pm. D day landing commemoration on Friday 6th June. Some way off yet, but this will be the Centre's "showpiece" event for this year and is already looking like a wonderful and exciting occasion - put it in your diaries!

Thank you for your continuing support of the Centre; please consider us for your function, club or society meeting - we'll do our best to make the Centre your venue of choice.

Follow St. Olav's Way, a Norwegian Pilgrimage Route

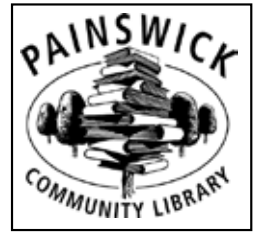


The Field Club welcomes back Dr Steve Blake to speak at our next Meeting on Wednesday 5th February at 2:30pm in the Painswick Centre. On this visit, Steve will tell us about the magnificent medieval architecture still marking St. Olav's Way, a pilgrimage route to Nidaros Cathedral in Trondheim, Norway, the site of St Olav's tomb. St Olav was swiftly canonised, only one year after his death in 1130. His importance in establishing Christianity in Scandinavia is confirmed by the earliest surviving painting of him, around 1160 AD, being found on a column in the Nativity Church in Bethlehem. Refreshments will be served after the talk and visitors will be very welcome to join us (£3 charge).

Booking forms for most of this year's excursions will be available at our February meeting: including Malmesbury Abbey, Lydney Gardens & Roman Remains, Westbury Court Dutch Water Gardens and Church, Sezincote House & Charlecote Park, and Downside Abbey with Kilver Court Gardens (and Designer Village). Details of membership can be obtained by contacting me or by dropping into one of our monthly meetings.

Jane Rowe (tel 813228)

Computer courses and Local Interest information in your Community Library



There's still time to register for the Beginners computer course starting on February 14th contact Helene Hewett on 01452 814112 for all the details. The following day Saturday February 15th is the first session of the new "Getting started with Family History" course. You will need some computer experience as the aim of this course is to show you how to use internet resources to help you research your family history. It will comprise three "teaching" sessions at monthly intervals, and further support on at least three specific times at Painswick Community Library. It will be run by Peter Rowe.

Places on this course will be limited to eight people - as we only have a limited number of computers available in the Library. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis on receipt of payment and a completed application form. Payment will be £15 for the three sessions which will go towards the long-term support of the Library. Application forms are available from the library during normal opening hours on Wednesday, Fridays & Saturdays. Both courses are already attracting considerable interest so make sure you've signed up.



For those of you with local ancestors or an interest in local history, over the past 18 months the Library has been rebuilding its initially very much diminished local interest section. Much of this has only been possible because of the generous donations of books & ephemera from many local residents. There are full sets of the "Painswick Beacon" the Painswick Chronicle" and "Cotteswold Natural History proceedings from 2000. Some of this can only be available for use in the Library but where possible a loan and a reference copy are made available. Books by and about Laurie Lee are also included in this section. Unfortunately, apart from the most popular items it has not been possible to include as much as we would like. We are again asking for donations of books by and about Laurie Lee, especially his poetry, which is very difficult to find. We would be very grateful for anything you could offer which could then be made available to all the community. If you can help please contact me or bring items into the Library marked for my attention.

There are also some local publications for sale - "Complete footpath map. Painswick", "Exploring Painswick" produced by Yew Trees W.I and "Painswick, Gloucestershire" produced by Painswick Parish Council.

Pat Francis, Librarian

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John Bagot Glubb

Many people have heard of Glubb Pasha but not many know exactly who he was. Brian Ashworth had met Glubb while serving in the Middle East and his talk outlined much of the complex detail of Glubb's life and times.

We learned that Lieutenant-General Glubb was a British soldier who established, led and trained the Transjordan Arab Legion, modelling it on the British army. During his leadership between 1939 and 1956, the Arab Legion achieved legendary status as the best, most disciplined fighting force in the Middle East. The Arab Legion kept the peace in large areas of the region and Glubb earned the title Pasha, which was granted to high-ranking soldiers or government officials.

Glubb was born in Preston and educated at Cheltenham College. He joined the Royal Engineers in 1915 and was seriously wounded in World War I. However, it was after the war, in 1920 that he was transferred to Iraq after which his involvement with the Arab world took over. His career led him into the complex and politically fraught melting pot of many states, tribes and factions of the area which culminated in establishing the current boundaries, founding of the state of Israel and the origins of today's many serious problems. Glubb was highly respected but it was political expediency that finally ended his army career when he was dismissed by King Hussein of Jordan.

Glubb identified himself with the Arab cause in the struggle against Israel - controversy continues to this day and indeed even raised some issues during the question session at the end of our talk!

Glynn Nixon

A venture worthy of your support

It is always pleasing to report on caring projects undertaken by our young people. In February June Gardiner's granddaughter, Anna Granger, is off to Nepal for six weeks as a volunteer helper in a scheme to rebuild and repair local schools. For Anna this means rolling up her sleeves and working with traditional tools but with the knowledge that she is helping towards the provision of an education for less privileged children.

Working in the Kathmandu Valley region, Anna will live with a local family and thus have an opportunity to learn about Nepalese culture, language and social structure. She sees this project as an important feature of her gap year as her intention is to study anthropology at university and then forge a career in international charity work. Making a real difference in the developing world is to be applauded and as this is a voluntary venture Anna has to raise the travel and accommodation funds herself. She has been working hard for the past few months in order to save the necessary money.

June has organised a bingo evening for Friday, 7th February to help towards Anna's air fare. She explains that there will be "fabulous prizes" and a table sale of craft goods and this January's marmalade. Town Hall, doors open 7.00pm, eyes down 7.30pm. Please go along and support this very worthwhile venture.

Carol Maxwell



2014 Concerts



Painswick Music Society's 89th Season opens with a concert by the Chamber Orchestra of Europe. Founded in 2006 in Cologne, the orchestra employs some 70 of Europe's top young instrumentalists and has performed in prestigious venues both in the UK and throughout Europe. They tour as a group of 10 musicians to small venues like Painswick and have an enviable reputation for the high quality of their performances. They bring a delightful programme of violin concertos by Bach and Vivaldi, a spectacular trumpet concerto by Albinoni, Holst's St Paul's Suite, Fauré's Pavane and Grieg's Holberg Suite.

Our second will be given by the Canadian pianist Angela Hewitt, widely recognized as one of the greatest musicians of our time, and certainly the leading interpreter of Bach. She will be playing his English Suite Number 3 and works by Haydn, Beethoven and Liszt in a wonderful programme, playing a beloved Fazioli piano which will be remembered from her last visit.

Our third concert is to be given by a return of the renowned cellist Steven Isserlis, making a long overdue return visit to Painswick, accompanied on this occasion by Sam Haywood. Their programme includes plenty of Bach and works by Shostakovich and Prokofiev. Steven is one of the most consummate musicians and charismatic performers of our day - definitely one not to miss.

Our final concert is to be given by the multi-award winning young British Quartet, the Castalian Quartet whose debut at the Wigmore Hall, as well as performances at the Cheltenham and Edinburgh Festivals and on Radio 3, have been extremely well received; they also enjoy a growing reputation abroad. Their programme is a most attractive one, comprising a Mozart and the Ravel Quartet in the first half and Schubert's Death and the Maiden after the interval. The Castalian's website quotes a review which speaks of their phenomenal impact on audiences which promises something splendid with which to end our season.

Tickets Booking now on-line at the Society website www.painswickmusicsoc.co.uk, from The Chairman, New Street Painswick, Tel: 01452 812419 or at door Prices Concert 1 & 3 £15, Concerts 1 & 4 £18 or All Four Concerts Splendid Value for £40.



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February 24th to March 9th



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That's why Fairtrade Fortnight 2014 (24th February-9th March) marks the launch of a special campaign that aims to transform the banana industry to ensure those at the sharp end of the supply chain, the millions of struggling banana farmers and workers, get a fair deal. It's a campaign to make bananas fair and is the next part of our three year initiative to Make Food Fair. If we all can make an effort looking for the Fairtrade Logo when shopping during Fairtrade week collectively we can make a difference.

John Rohrbeck

Goodwill Evening



Neil Carmichael MP visited Painswick on Goodwill Evening. He chatted to volunteers and customers in the Library and drew the raffle.

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Three Bs was the title of Howard Allen's presentation on 9th January. Would it be music by Bach, Beethoven and Brahms, I wondered? Quite wrong – much more excitingly, three great British conductors at work: Sir Thomas Beecham impish and a showman, Sir Adrian Boult impassive and seemingly introvert



and Sir John Barbirolli more an extrovert and overtly a romanticist. We heard excerpts of Beecham conducting Delius Brigg Fair (sublime woodwind) and Schubert's 3rd Symphony. He moved to Paris and we had bits of Berlioz Symphonie Fantastique and Bizet's Symphonie in C. Next by Boult, admirer of British music: RVW's A Sea Symphony, Holt's The Planets and three English Folk Songs.

After the interval, Barbirolli, son of an Italian father and French mother, himself a cellist, great promoter of Kathleen Ferrier and with roots in London. We listened to Elgar's Sea Pictures with Dame Janet Baker, some of Sibelius's 2nd and Mahler's 3rd symphonies, RWV's Fantasia on a theme by Thomas Tallis and, with his beloved Halle Orchestra, some of Elgar's Serenade in E minor. A Lollipop to conclude: a speech by Sir Thomas and Chabrier's Espana. As always, Howard's masterful presentation and emotion, gave us an exciting evening.

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Below are some effective and simple ways of using essential oils. I would recommend trying any of the following:

- Steam inhalation. Use a large bowl and to approx. 1 litre of hot water add approx. 4 – 7 drops of essential oil. Place the towel over your head and inhale with your eyes closed for 5 mins if you can. Try and breathe alternatively through both mouth and nose if you can. Do not use this method if you have asthma.

- Tissue method. Put approx. 4 – 5 drops on a tissue or make up remover pad. Place inside your pillow case at night so you get the benefit of the oils throughout the night. During the day the tissue can be placed in a chest pocket or for ladies just inside the bra with the side with the essential oils on not in direct contact with the skin.

- Bath. Use 4 – 7 drops. Mix the essential oils in a small amount of vegetable oil first and when the water is run add to the bath and mix.

- Essential Oil Burner or Diffuser. These have a tea light underneath with a small bowl on top for putting water. The essential oils are added to the water. They are also a great way of fragrancing the room throughout the year and can be bought at most health food shops. Add 4 – 5 drops to the essential oil burner. Try to keep the room door shut so that the benefits of the oil stay in the room.

- Regular Aromatherapy Massage Treatments can also help with boosting the immune system. You can contact me on 01452 813903 if you are interested in a treatment.

The above are recommended for adults only. The amount and essential oils that can be used are different for children, during pregnancy, and the very elderly.

Anne Polet IFA, ITEC, RGN, BSc.

Something for Everyone at Cotswolds88

You may be surprised, if you haven't been along recently, at the interesting range of menus now on offer at Cotswolds88 Hotel in Kemps Lane. New head chef, Curtis Stewart, is keen to point out that there is something to appeal to everyone for both lunch and dinner and of course afternoon tea.

Having been in post for three months Curtis feels it is important to promote the restaurant's rather special fare and, in particular, to encourage more Painswickians to enjoy the excellent range of offers. He is certainly enthusiastic about his involvement with the whole process, from selecting the ingredients, to the preparation and cooking and then the final presentation. "I am passionate and dedicated with regard to food," he says, and he means the whole package. Eating out, he feels, should be "memorable, an emotional experience."

Having studied catering initially at college Curtis has since worked in two Michelin Star restaurants with further experience in other top class establishments. He recognises the importance of learning from the best if one is to achieve excellence and at the early age of only 27 is proud to have become head chef at Cotswolds88, an award-winning hotel and restaurant. The best quality ingredients, skillful cooking, simplicity and fine presentation are the factors he believes produce the perfect meal.

At Cotswolds88 there is a wide choice from set menus at very competitive prices eg a 2-course lunch for £10 to regular menus and of course a la carte. There is even a tasting menu of 10 courses for the full gastronomic experience – a wonderful opportunity to try all sorts of foods and tastes – "a culinary journey" says Curtis. Afternoon tea is special inasmuch as it is the classic traditional English afternoon tea so seldom served nowadays. It consists of a selection of sandwiches, home-made scones and cakes and a selection of teas. He hopes to introduce special offers on Sunday lunches and afternoon teas just for Painswick residents in the future.

As far as Curtis is concerned all the factors are present for real success and a great eating experience – a beautiful building with spectacular views, comfortable lounge areas, an intimate, relaxing but modern dining room and, of course, superb food. This is a young man with a refreshing enthusiasm and great determination to provide truly top quality food here in our midst.

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David Perry writes

In the January edition of the Beacon our village agent mentioned the 'surviving winter' fund which helps those in fuel poverty. She did not however give a contact point for donations, which is:
http://ukcommunityfoundations.org/programmes/surviving_winter/

The suggestion is that pensioners who can well afford their winter heating should donate their £200 (or more) winter fuel allowance from the Government. There must be many hundreds of such people in Painswick so I hereby call on them to make their donations. And for the icing on the cake, gift aid declarations (on the same site) can add a further 25% at no cost to the donor. Go on, do it now!

The Mayor of Casterbridge

The Cranham Players present the Mayor of Casterbridge at Cranham Village Hall on 20th, 21st and 22nd March. 7.30pm curtain up. Tickets £10. Concessions £8. To book contact Hazel Roberts on 812661 or email: hazelroberts@gmail.com

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Police report

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November

During November 1st to November 30th 2013 there were 7 substantiated crimes recorded. The breakdown of these offences according to Home Office banding rules was as follows;

Violence - There were 3 substantiated offences recorded. Of these one was a dog bite the remaining two were both Assaults linked to alcohol. Of these Assaults one of the injured parties declined to pursue a complaint the second the offender remains outstanding.
Criminal Damage - There were 2 substantiated offences recorded; both were to property.
Burglary - There were 2 burglaries reported one to a private dwelling and one to a non dwelling in this case a rented room.

December

During the period December 1st to December 31st 2013, there were 9 substantiated crimes recorded. Traditionally for Police one of the busiest periods of the year the build up to Christmas and New Year was accompanied by periods of very heavy rainfall and isolated flooding. The breakdown of these offences according to Home Office banding rules was as follows;

Violence - There were no substantiated offences recorded.
Criminal Damage - There were 2 substantiated offences recorded. One was damage to a motor vehicle the second to livestock. In recent months across the Stroud District there has been a noticeable increase in livestock attacks. This is not only distressing for the animals that survive but very disruptive for the farmers not to mention the financial implications. Dogs found worrying livestock can be shot by the landowner and following an investigation may be destroyed at the discretion of the Courts. Dog owners are reminded that dogs should be kept on leads when crossing farmland unless the landowner has given permission and the dog owner is sure that there are no livestock present.

Burglary - There were 3 burglaries reported of which 2 were to residential dwellings earlier in the month. The third a non-dwelling burglary occurred at the end of the month to a detached garage/shed. Homeowners are advised to remain vigilant, as other parts of the Stroud District have been subject to residential burglaries over the festive period and into the New Year.

Theft - There were 4 substantiated offences of theft during the month. Two were from motor vehicles the other two involved unattended and insecure property.

Other Incidents - Over the whole period and including the early hours of New Years Day there were 14 Police incidents resulted as either personal, nuisance or environmental Anti Social Behaviour. These can cover a wide range of activities and can include what we would traditionally be seen as noisy, boisterous and unpleasant behaviour which often occurs over the festive period. There were several reports of late night drunken nuisance mainly associated with the festive period. The majority of reports involved nuisance telephone calls, Facebook nuisance messaging, neighbourhood disputes or issues and even fly tipping. There was one report of a property being egged on 1/11/2013 although in recent years the Halloween period has seen a significant reduction in this kind of activity.

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Penny's Gold Star Service

Organising travel arrangements, whether for business or leisure, can, as many will testify, be a stressful experience. And of course that can be doubled if finding and booking accommodation and events are added to the equation. Penny Harrington provides a service which ensures her customers have no worries at all on that score.

Penny, a franchisee of Travel Counsellors, runs her travel agency business from her home in Painswick. Travel Counsellors was established in 1994 and was the first home-working travel agency in Britain. All of Penny's business is therefore based on referrals because there is no retail outlet. The great advantage of this is that every customer receives a completely personal service, tailored to his/her precise requirements. It is 100% customer-focused.

Penny is responsible for all aspects from dealing directly with the customers, which is often in their homes, to arranging as many of the travel and accommodation details as required. As she points out, with the Internet such arrangements can be made instantly but she also does a great deal through personal contact. Because her service is bonded it has the added advantage of being financially protected. It is effectively a watertight service and one which relieves the customer of all the anxieties which can arise when trying to organise travel and holidays.

A veteran in the travel agency world, Penny started her career 35 years ago as an apprentice with Thomas Cook. For the past 16 years she has been a franchisee with Travel Counsellors, now one of the biggest travel agencies in the world and highly acclaimed having won many awards. She explains that this success is due to the fact that the service is so personal, so tailor-made to the customer's exact requirements which High Street agencies cannot provide as they sell set packages. Penny organises every last detail of any type of holiday or business travel and specialises in groups for business or social events. She is now a Gold member because she has been so successful.

Penny has lived in the Cotswolds for the past 17 years but is now settled in Painswick. "I love it, I never want to leave," she says enthusiastically. She has two children, Sophie 25 and Matthew 22. Penny clearly loves her job and the fact that she is self-employed is an added incentive to provide the best service possible for her customers. This competent and very articulate lady – she started with a small client base in 1994 and now has over 1000 customers – is definitely the person to turn to if you want a trouble-free and relaxed travel experience whatever the purpose and destination. Her contact details are: tel. 08450587149, email penny.harrington@travelcounsellors.com and the website is www.travelcounsellors.co.uk/pennyharrington.

Carol Maxwell



Churches Together Around Painswick



Lent courses this year, 2014

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 5th

Ecumenical courses have been organised in the area

Please telephone the number given to express your interest in joining a group.

	Day and time	Leader	Venue	Contact name & telephone
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2	Tuesday eve 7.30-9.00pm starting Mar 11 th	Barbara Gay	Little Orchard, Cotswold Mead, Painswick	Barbara Gay 01452 814110
3.	Wednesday aft 2.30-4.00pm starting Mar 11 th	Terry Parker	Croome House, Bisley St., Painswick	Denise Magauran 01452 814570
4.	Wednesday eve 7.30 - 9.00pm starting March 12 th	Jean Shaw	Mill Orchard, Pitchcombe	Jean Shaw 01452 812486
5.	Thursday morn 10.30 - 12.00 starting March 6 th	Lindsay Gardiner	Sheephouse, off Stepping Stone Lane, Painswick	Lindsay Gardiner 01452 814282

Painswick Horticultural Society trip to the Elgar Museum and Spetchley Park



On Wednesday 14th May, departing Stamages Lane car park 9.30am promptly and returning at approximately 5pm, the Horticultural Society have organised a day trip for its members to visit the Elgar birthplace museum followed by Spetchley Park, a very special 'all seasons' garden of herbaceous borders, woodland glades and a renovated kitchen with rare delights. The day trip costs £32.00pp and includes refreshments on arrival at the Elgar Museum. Please book by 19th March either at Society meetings or by post (using the booking form) to Muriel Mann, Woodcote, The Highlands, Painswick GL6 6SL. Cheques are payable to "Painswick Horticultural Society".

If you aren't a member but would like to join us on the trip, please contact Muriel as we may be able to offer any vacant spaces to non-members after the closing date (19th March).

And don't forget that our Society meetings have started again. In the second week of January we were entertained and informed in equal measure by Philip Aubrey's practical and extensive knowledge of the fascinating subject of house plants, and he brought a great selection of plants to sell! Don't forget that our next meeting is at 2.30pm on Friday 12th February before reverting to 7.30pm. Dr Ferguson's talk "Plant hunting in the mountains of S.America" promises to be a real treat; come and join us.

Caroline Bodington
(Committee Member)

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Sports reports

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Golf



Golf can be a strange game sometimes. It has an amazing ability to amuse and irritate. While playing on Painswick course last week (as I write), one of our group of four played a great shot towards the ninth green though it drifted a little to the right. We carefully noted the direction of the ball – in line with a small tree. We looked and looked for the ball, but just could not find it. Only after finishing the hole and standing on the next tee did we spot it – sitting precariously on a low branch of that tree...

In the Seniors Section, we are grateful to Duncan Toase for organising our competitions. After a short break in competitions over the Christmas/New Year period, a Social Bowmaker took place on 2 January and was won by Norman Pullin, Roger Anthony and Vern Watkin with a score of 118 points. Then a week later, the monthly Stableford competition was won by John Bentley with 41 points. Congratulations to all the winners.

I have never lost a ball in a tree – at least not knowingly – nor had a hole-in-one. But visitors and guests are welcome at Painswick for both golf and food. Please contact Marc Cottrell on 01452 812615 about the golf; for details about meals and refreshments, please contact Michael and Tom Horton on 01452 812180.

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Soccer



Painswick U/12's 6 Brockworth 1

Semi-final joy for Painswick youth

Painswick went through to the semi-final of the cup after a crushing victory over Brockworth. Ewan Gegg, Aaron Barnes, Jack Bailey, Finn Burford, Ethan Roberts and Ryan Carden grabbed the goals. Ben Mounce, Joe Samack and Jack Bailey starred in the defence.

Men's Christmas Football Match Painswick 3 Sheepscombe 5

This annual football match took place over Christmas. Painswick started brightly with James Barnett unleashing a 40 yard shot that hit the woodwork. Gradually Sheepscombe's mid-field took control with neat passing and teamwork. From a corner Sheepscombe took the lead with a well-taken volley by Sam Horder. Barnett equalised when he broke through and rounded the keeper to finish of a good move. The match was very competitive with strong tackling from both sides. Tom Pigott was outstanding in Painswick's defence.

In the second half Sheepscombe extended their lead with two goals each for Waller and Mahendren. Barnett reduced the lead with a second goal and also hit the woodwork twice. Painswick's Paul Johnson scored a well-taken consolation goal. This exciting match was played competitively but in the right spirit with Sheepscombe winning the cup.

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In this month, we reported

10 years ago

Broadband at last! A well-attended public meeting heard two rival providers commit to setting up wireless Broadband systems in Painswick and the surrounding villages.

Keith Cockell, Managing Director of Richmond Care, writes to the Beacon to advise that "Development works will now commence in February The contract period is sixteen weeks. Work will then commence on the independent apartments. The first of these will be ready in 2005. The first level of the care centre will open in February 2006".

Several of the parish councils that comprise the SNAP (Stroud North Area Parishes) group have been awarded for their initiative in seeking an improved bus service for their parishioners. Painswick, including the villages of Sheepscombe and Slad, together with the parishes of Bisley-with-Lypiatt, Cranham and Miserden will provide a Taxi Link service in our area. The service is part of a pilot project which will run from August 2004 until March 2007. The total value of the SNAP bid is £119,600.

20 years ago

Dr Roddy Jaques writes, "Following Jim Hoyland's article in the January issue of the Beacon, readers will shortly be aware of building developments taking place at the Gyde Field in preparation for the new surgery The new building will have room for our splendid district nurses, at last, bringing the whole Primary Health team under the one roof. There will be a larger waiting room for the Practice nurses, a separate eye examination room, exercise ECG room, and our health visitors will have a separate room with easy access from the waiting room. Naturally we all look forward to the end of 1994 when the new building will be up, occupied and working".

The County Library, Arts and Museum service is holding a meeting on Wednesday 23rd February at 2.30pm to discuss the formation of the 'Friends of Painswick Library'.

30 years ago

Peace Sunday! Many villagers will have read in the press and seen on local television, reports concerning the ghost said to haunt the home of their Royal Highnesses, Prince and Princess Michael of Kent. Local Catholics were therefore particularly interested to read the account of events in their weekly bulletin as related by their parish priest, Father Tom Curtis-Hayward. The Beacon is grateful to Father Tom for allowing us to re-print his report. "This is Peace Sunday. I haven't had much peace since yesterday because the media have built my house blessing for prince and Princess Michael three years ago into an exorcism connected with the ghost that is supposed to walk about at this time. The connection of royalty, a ghost, and a religious ritual must have been too much of a temptation. So there have been phone calls all the time (including two after midnight) from national newspapers, radio and television. At least as a result of these (there have been about forty of them so far) I have been able to explain the difference between a house blessing: available to all Catholics moving into a new house, and an exorcism: a ceremony of despatching an evil influence, carried out by the authority of the bishop by a priest specially appointed by him for the purpose. Also my picture appeared in only one national newspaper and was so unflattering that (I don't know where they got it from) with a bit of luck no-one should be able to recognise me from it.

The ghost which is supposed to be of a blacksmith reprieved from death for stealing on condition he built the gates outside the house, and then condemned and put to death in spite of this, could not be blamed for making a fuss, but their Royal Highnesses had noticed nothing of his presence and did not ask me because of it. I asked them if I could bring Roger Grey with me to make the visit an ecumenical one, and this was accepted. This let him in for some publicity too. I am mainly sorry for their Royal Highnesses who get far more unwelcome attention than I am ever likely to receive and have quite a job to live private lives at all".

Editorial note.

Canon Thomas Curtis-Hayward ("Father Tom") died in August 2001 having been Painswick's parish priest from 1978 until 1996.

Messy Church



On 6th February we have our next Messy Church.

This event welcomes all ages to many creative crafts, challenging games and various other activities. The time together starts in the Church Rooms at 3.30pm and then heads



over to the church at about 4.30 for a very short (15 mins) all-age, interactive church service, and concludes with a light tea together. There's a warm, friendly feel to it, and it's all free of charge! Why not

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As I write this article, I have been back at the helm as your Village Agent for just over a week following the Christmas and New Year break. It's been a full and rewarding time packed with a great variety of tasks which I thought I'd share with you to give a bit of insight into what we Village Agents get up to ! This service is free and available to anyone needing information, support or advice over 50 years of age.

I have helped a lady with her application for her Blue Badge, given advice on what financial and practical help might be available for an elderly mother living in another county, looked at what support and pain management schemes are available in our county for someone with a chronic health condition, and what benefits can be claimed even if self-employed. Made a home visit to a lady living independently with dementia, whose neighbours were concerned that she was at risk? Following a call from a concerned daughter living abroad, visited a gentleman who'd fallen recently, to help him arrange some regular visits from a carer, a Mears home safety check and some visits from the Red Cross to help him build his confidence back up. I have referred a gentleman for a Care line and Key-safe who is living alone and waiting for major surgery, helped someone to organize paying their bills by direct debit, and liaised with other statutory agencies regarding some "safeguarding" concerns about possible financial abuse.

On to what might be of interest to some readers. As you are probably aware, there is going to be a sharp rise in the next 15 years of the number of people living with dementia in the UK. The national figure is estimated to increase by 40% and



Gloucestershire by 44% because we have a larger percentage of older people living here. The more that we can educate ourselves and understand this condition, the easier it will be to remove the fear and stigma so often associated with a diagnosis of dementia. The term "dementia" is used to describe a progressive decline in: memory, cognitive skills, functional skills and communication skills (think of MCFC- Manchester City Football Club, to help you remember).

There is going to be a free Memory/Dementia Information event for families and carers, held at St Lawrence Church Hall, The Shambles in Stroud on February 20th, from 10.15am-12.30 pm.

There will be talks by health professionals and support organisations including 2gether Trust, Alzheimer's Society, Managing Memory 2gether, Telecare (technology) and Power of Attorney.

Registration will take place from 10.15am with talks starting at 10.30am. There are limited places so book now. Call Katie Lake at GRCC on 01452 528491 or email katiel@grcc.org.uk Call me if you would like a lift, or if you would like any further information.

Thank you for all the calls and emails you send me.

Lou Kemp 07776 245767

The Beacon apologises for the inconvenience caused to some readers in that we printed Lou's telephone number incorrectly in the January Beacon.

PROPERTY REPORT for January from Hamptons International

Hamptons International ended 2013 on a high note by taking home Gold for Best Large Agency for the second consecutive year at the Estate Agency of the Year Awards in association with the Sunday Times and The Times. The Awards are recognised as one of the most prestigious events in the industry. Awarding Hamptons International with Gold for Best Large Agency for the second year in a row, the judges commented: "Not only has the team at Hamptons maintained their already high standards, but there was also clear evidence that they have actively sought to improve on them throughout 2013".

The property market appears to be continuing along the positive course set throughout 2013 with both the Halifax and Nationwide reporting annual average price improvements of 7.5% and 8.4% respectively. However, as always, there are strong regional variations hidden within these figures with the Nationwide reporting that, whilst on average prices are still 5% below the all-time highs recorded in 2007, in London they are now 14% above the 2007 peak.

Nationally, transaction levels are also on an upward trend with seven consecutive months of increase meaning we expect to see in excess of one million transactions in a calendar year for the first time since 2007. Bank of England lending data reflects this with mortgage approvals up 20% year on year which will likely translate into a similar increase in transaction numbers. Across the Hamptons network we saw more sales in December than in any December since 2006. Hamptons believe that as sentiment

continues to improve on the back of a recovering economy and improving credit availability, 2014 is likely to be characterised most by increasing activity in the mainstream market.

Closer to home, Hamptons Painswick office mirrored the improving market conditions throughout 2013 with sales agreed in the last six months of the year up by a minimum of a staggering 35% on the same period in any of the previous four years. 2014 has got off to a brisk start so if you wish to get a realistic and accurate market appraisal on the saleability of your property from an agent with a strong regional, national and international presence, please call this office on 01452 812354.

Recent instructions include taking on 5 St Marys Mead, Terreno on the Longridge, Badger House in Brimpsfield and The Haven in Birdlip. Properties under offer include Oakleigh on Vicarage Street, Star Cottage in Hollyhock Lane, Little Croft in Pullens Road, Hillworth Cottage in Gloucester Street, Cranham Mill in Cranham, Hazeling in The Vatch and The Haven in Birdlip whilst we have now concluded sales on Stepping Stone Cottage, Otters Pool, Castle Hill Cottage, Goldcrest, Murock and Southview with the latter being our third recent asking price sale on Vicarage Street.

Guy Tabony, Branch Manager

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FEBRUARY

Sat	1	Painswick Beacon Conservation Group Scrub Clearance Working Party: location check - 813734 Theatre Club Outing to Bath	Painswick Beacon Stamages Car Park	10.00am to 1.00pm 11.30am
Sun	2	Holy Communion (BCP) Mass Sung Eucharist Evensong	St Mary's Church Catholic Church St Mary's Church St Mary's Church	8.00am 8.30am 9.30am 4.00pm
Mon	3	Short Mat Bowls - Mondays (contact 813627) Yoga (Mondays) contact Kim 812623 Community Lunch: Hosts Painswick Golf Club Painswick Community Choir - Mondays (Enquiries: Sophie 01453 298138)	Town Hall Sheepscombe Vill. Hall Ashwell Centre Painswick Centre	10.30am 6.30 to 8.00pm & 8.15 to 9.45pm 12 noon to 1.15pm 7.00 to 8.30pm
Tue	4	Zumba Gold dance fitness class for Seniors: £5 pp Tuesdays Bingo: Tuesdays – Tel. Ann, 813911/Liz, 814890	Painswick Centre Ashwell House	10.00am 6.30 to 9.00pm
Wed	5	Yoga (Wednesdays) contact Kim 812623 Probus: Gloucester Cathedral Through the Ages - Peter Petrie Cotteswold Naturalists' Field Club Lecture: A Medieval Norwegian Pilgrimage - Dr Steve Blake. Enq. 813228 Table Tennis sessions - Wednesdays. Enq. 812464	Sheepscombe Vill. Hall Painswick Centre Painswick Centre Painswick Centre Town Hall	9.30 to 11.00am 10.00am 2.30pm 7.00 to 9.00pm 9.30 to 11.00am
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 Experienced beginners - Thursdays Music Appreciation Group: Up Down and Around	Town Hall Church Rooms Town Hall Town Hall Town Hall	9.30am 9.30 to 12.00noon 12.00 to 1.00pm 12.30 to 1.30pm 7.30pm
Fri	7	Country Market: Coffee available - Fridays Friday Club: Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust Early Easter Charity Bingo	Town Hall Town Hall Town Hall	10.00am 2.30pm 7.00pm
Sat	8	Saturday Walking Group: for info Tel: 812965	Stamages Car Park	10.00am
Sun	9	Holy Communion (BCP) Mass Family Communion	St Mary's Church Catholic Church St Mary's Church	8.00am 8.30am 9.30am
Mon	10	Community Lunch: Hosts Falcon Bowling Club	Ashwell Centre	12 noon to 1.15pm
Tue	11	Cupcakes for Carers & dependents: for info tel: 813326	P. Centre Green Room	1.30 to 4.30pm
Wed	12	Horticultural Society: Plant Hunting in the Mountains of South America - Dr K Ferguson	Church Rooms	2.30pm
Thu	13	Bird Club: Bulgarian Wildlife - Helen Mugridge ARPS	Town Hall	7.30pm
Sat	15	Copy Date for March Beacon Saturday Market; various stalls Painswick Beacon Conservation Group Scrub Clearance Working Party: location check - 813734	Town Hall. Lower Room Painswick Beacon	10.00am to 4.00pm 10.00am to 1.00pm
Sun	16	Holy Communion (BCP) Mass Sung Eucharist	St Mary's Church Catholic Church St Mary's Church	8.00am 8.30am 9.30am
Mon	17	Community Lunch: Hosts Friday Club	Ashwell Centre	12 noon to 1.15pm
Tue	18	Local History Society: Do You Remember Adlestrop - Tony Conder	Croft School	7.30pm
Wed	19	Probus: The War Years in Words and Music - Malcolm Lewis Parish Council Meeting	Painswick Centre Town Hall	10.00am 7.30pm
Thu	20	Music Appreciation Group: Handbells	Town Hall	7.30pm
Fri	21	Friday Club: Antarctica - Sally Lamerton	Town Hall	2.30pm
Sun	23	Holy Communion (BCP) Mass Service of the Word	St Mary's Church Catholic Church St Mary's Church	8.00am 8.30am 9.30am
Mon	24	Community Lunch: Hosts - Richmond Village	Ashwell Centre	12 noon to 1.15pm

Tue	25	Annual meeting of Painswick Country Market & Lunch. Enq. 813228	Town Hall	10.30 for 11.00am
		Yew Trees WI: Shelterbox - Disaster Relief Charity: Liz Odell. Open Meeting	Church Rooms	7.30pm

MARCH

Sat	1	March Issue of The Painswick Beacon published Painswick Beacon Conservation Group Scrub Clearance Working Party: location check - 813734	Painswick Beacon	10.00am to 1.00pm
Mon	3	Community Lunch: Hosts - Painswick Bird Club	Ashwell Centre	12 noon to 1.15pm
Wed	5	Probus: 'Just a Can of Beans' - Ken Bigg	Painswick Centre	10.00am
Thu	6	Music Appreciation Group: Long Playing Records	Town Hall	7.30pm
Fri	7	Women's World Day of Prayer Friday Club: Wimbledon Linesman - Brian Partridge	Catholic Church Town Hall	11.00am 2.30pm
Sat	8	Village Quiz	Painswick Centre	
Mon	10	Community Lunch: Hosts - Painswick Beacon Conservation Group	Ashwell Centre	12 noon to 1.15pm
Tue	11	Cupcakes for Carers & dependents: for info tel: 813326 Bird Club: Reflections - Peter Llewellyn	P. Centre Green Room Town Hall	1.30 to 4.30pm 7.30pm
Wed	12	Horticultural Society: A Perennial Year - Julie Ritchie (Hoo House)	Church Rooms	7.30pm
Sat	15	Saturday Market; various stalls Painswick Beacon Conservation Group Scrub Clearance Working Party: location check - 813734	Town Hall. Lower Room Painswick Beacon	10.00am to 4.00pm 10.00am to 1.00pm
Mon	17	Community Lunch: Hosts - Park Residents	Ashwell Centre	12 noon to 1.15pm
Tue	18	Local History Society: US7GR LOC 349 3041 - one Saturday afternoon on the Home Front - Cathy Stoertz	Croft School	7.30pm
Wed	19	Horticultural Society: Bookings close for Trip 1 - Elgar Museum and Spetchley Park Probus: Lost the Plot - Fiona Warin - Allotment Officer, Cheltenham B.C. Parish Council Meeting	Painswick Centre Town Hall Town Hall	10.00am 7.30pm 7.30pm
Thu	20	Music Appreciation Group: Film Music	Town Hall	7.30pm
Sun	23	Attic Sale: details - jennie@thepainswickcentre.com	Painswick Centre	10.00am to 2.00pm
Tue	25	Yew Trees WI: Pre-Raphaelites / Arts & Crafts - Dr. Frances Wilson-Copp	Church Rooms	7.30pm
Sat	29	Painswick Beacon Conservation Group Scrub Clearance Working Party: location check - 813734 Painswick Music Society Concert: Chamber Philharmonic Orchestra of Europe	Painswick Beacon St Mary's Church	10.00am to 1.00pm 3.00pm

APRIL

Wed	2	Cotteswold Naturalists' Field Club Lecture: Iceland - Land of Fire & Brilliant Birds - Philip Mugridge. Enq. 813228	Painswick Centre	2.30pm
Thu	3	Music Appreciation Group: Korngold	Town Hall	7.30pm
Tue	8	Painswick Centre AGM	P. Centre Cots. Room	7.30pm
Sat	12	Painswick Music Society Concert: Angela Hewitt - Piano	St Mary's Church	3.00pm
Tue	15	Local History Society: Research Evening	Croft School	7.30pm

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NEW APPLICATIONS

GREENLEAS, Stroud Road
Proposed extension, alterations and double garage with store over and associated works.

THE MALT HOUSE, The Green, Sheepscombe

Revised proposals for windows, dormer windows and skylight.

BROWNSHILL COURT, Wick Street
Repairs to masonry, upgrading insulation and internal finishes, install new crown roof, install passenger lift, new orangery extension, new landscaping.

CROFT HOUSE, Gloucester Street
New pedestrian garden entrance gate and steps from Churchill Way.

RIFLEMANS COTTAGE, Slad Lane
Demolish and replace stone porch and internal alterations.

CASTLE GODWYN, Paradise
Installation of electronically operated timber gate to rear drive. Erection of a timber greenhouse with wood store and a replacement garage building.

WELLINGTON HOUSE, Stroud Road
Internal and external alterations.

RIFLEMANS COTTAGE, Slad Lane
Demolish and replace stone porch and internal alterations.

REVISED PLANS

LAND ADJOINING CORVARA, Cotswold Mead

Proposed new dwelling (revised site plan to include private access).

CONSENT

THE COACH HOUSE, Sevenleaze Lane, Edge

Erection of two 3.6m x 3.6m sectional wooden stables.

TURNSTONE HOUSE, Greenhouse Lane

Small alteration to already granted glazed link between main house and

Outbuilding from triangular shaped roof to flat with small gradient.

LITTLE ORCHARD, Slad Road

Erection of a new timber framed and clad carport with timber clad undercroft storage.

PAINSWICK VIEW, Back Edge Lane, Edge

T2 Sycamore – Minor Crown Thinning.

THE OLD VICARAGE, Damsells Mill Lane

Fell two Silver Birch trees.

HILL HOUSE, Gloucester Street
Trees in a Conservation Area

BUTCHERS ARMS, Damsells Mill Lane

Internal and external alterations and extension to provide new toilet facilities and extended dining. Provision of cold store with shelter &

demolition of existing lean to store.

WITHDRAWAL

COURT HOUSE, Hale Lane
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The Personal Column

Condolences

Our sincere sympathies to the family and friends of CEDRIC MAYNARD and Professor REGGIE SHOOTER from Edge who have both died recently.

Our sincere sympathies also to the family and friends of ALFRED RIGBY who has died recently

Our sincere sympathies to the family and friends of Gus Gaugain who has died. Gus was at one time a member of the Beacon Team with responsibility for its distribution.

Welcome

Welcome to Yannig Vaillant and Benedicte Ganot and their daughter Lucille who have moved into Benedict's Cottage in Paradise.

The Bespoke Flower Company

We reported in the December Beacon that Emma Smith and Holly Lynall had joined forces to run Fleurtations, a wedding floristry company in Painswick. Since then and as part of their rebranding they have changed their name to THE BESPOKE FLOWER COMPANY. They tell us that they have a beautiful new website to showcase their work and to help customers reach them. The site is www.thebespokeflowercompany.co.uk They advise that although they would love to have a florist shop in the village, these days florists are so outpriced by supermarkets, more and more are working from

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