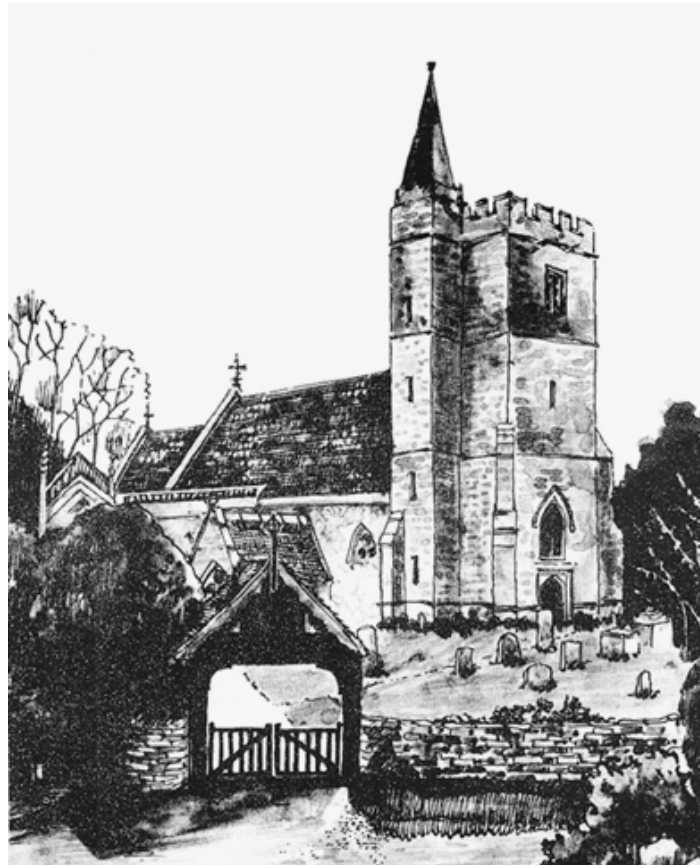


# The Forerunner

*The Magazine for the Parish of  
Newington Bagpath with  
Kingscote*

*September*

2018



## Service Calendar for September 2018

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>2nd</b>	Nailsworth	8.00 am	Holy Communion
		Horsley	9.30am	Holy Communion
		Nailsworth	11.00 am	Service of the word
Wednesday	5th	Nailsworth	10.00am	Holy Communion
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9th</b>	<b>Kingscote</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
		Nailsworth	11.00 am	Holy communion
		Nailsworth	3.30 pm	Messy Church at School
Wednesday	12th	Nailsworth	10.00 am	Holy Communion with lunch
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>16th</b>	<b>Kingscote</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>Family Service with coffee and biscuits</b>
		Nailsworth	11.00 am	Family Communion
Wednesday	19th	Nailsworth	10.00 am	Holy Communion
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>23rd</b>	Nailsworth	11.00 am	Holy Communion
		Horsley	6.00 pm	Evensong
Wednesday	26th	Nailsworth	10.00 am	Holy Communion
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>30th</b>	Nailsworth	11.00 am	Benefice Service

The next **PCC meeting** will be at 8.00 pm on Tuesday 25 September.

### **Process for the appointment of a new Vicar**

The vacant post was advertised in the Church Times in July. Copies of the applications from 4 candidates who the diocese believe could be suitable for the Benefice have been received.

Interviews will take place on 19 September 2018. It is planned that Jane Nichols and Harry Tubbs should represent the parish.

Parishioners with particular views on the candidate profile we should seek please make contact. There will of course be senior representation from the diocese on the panel.

<b>Diocesan News</b>	<a href="http://www.gloucester.anglican.org/news/publications">www.gloucester.anglican.org/news/publications</a>
	<a href="http://www.gloucester.anglican.org/news/blog">www.gloucester.anglican.org/news/blog</a>
<b>Nailsworth Benefice</b>	<a href="http://www.thenailsworthbenefice.co.uk">www.thenailsworthbenefice.co.uk</a>
<b>Kingscote Community</b>	<a href="http://www.kingscoteonline.co.uk">www.kingscoteonline.co.uk</a>

## **Associate Priest's Letter**

Have you just checked the time ? Apparently 'Time Management' is one of the most frequent searches made on the internet and there are tons of books written on how to manage time successfully; as if we can learn to manipulate and stretch time !

We've all become obsessed by finding faster ways to do things, but do we really succeed in beating the inevitable tick, tick of the clock ? St Paul in his writing, advised the little church in Ephesus to live life well, to be wise, to chose carefully what they did with their time and to be grateful, thankful and make the most of their time.

This is something different from trying to stretch time, in order to pack in more to the minute ! So rather than trying to improve our organisational skills, Paul is encouraging us, as he did the Ephesians, to live in time's fullness, to use and enjoy the quality of time spent - for time is a wonderful gift from God.

What does it mean to us to live as if there really is time enough ? One response might be to develop a habit of saying thank you to God every day for our time, and another is to realize what Paul was telling the Ephesians - that time is not to be fought against or endured but enjoyed. Time is not working against us, time is to be celebrated, for if we choose carefully we will have time enough. Let us thank God for all that we have and enjoy.

With every Blessing,

*Sue Sobczak.*

## **Flower Rota**

2 and 9 September	Liz Hughes
16 and 23 September	Tracey Pool
30 September and 7 October	Vivienne Ainsworth

*Saturday 15 September, 1.00 pm - Wedding, Joseph Doyle and Charlotte Smales*

*Lorna Reynolds*

## **Brass Cleaning Team**

The next session will be on Thursday 6 September at 2.30 pm

*Teresa Day*

## **Village Hall Programme**

**Coffee morning** - Wednesday 12 September, 10.30 to 11.30 am, Coffee and Cake £2-00, all welcome.

**Film Night** - Tuesday 18 September, 7.30 for 8.00 pm, the classic film *Some like it Hot*. Entry free, Pay Bar

*Pauline McTear*

## **Kingscote Parish Council**

The next PC meeting will be at 8.00 pm in the Hunters Hall on Tues. 9 **October**.

### **Planning Applications**

- Jandacott, Scrubetts Lane, Bagpath - Erection of two story extension with balcony above, and associated changes. Part Compliance.
- Bagpath Court - Alterations and extension of threshing barn to create one independent dwelling. Pending consideration.
- Bagpath Court - Change of use of agricultural land to enable erection of two domestic outbuildings. Pending Consideration.
- Bagpath Court - Alterations of barn and stables, compliance with conditions for nesting swallows and bats. Pending consideration.
- Brook House, 12 Bagpath - Demolition of existing kitchen extension for two story extension to existing property, and conversion of garage into annex. Pending consideration.
- 35 Kingscote - Side extension, with removal of outbuildings, and build new car port and storage. Pending Consideration.

### **Planning Approvals**

- 3 The Walled Garden, Kingscote - removal of large blue spruce from rear garden.
- 1 The Park, Kingscote - fell Holly Tree. No objection.

**Road pothole reporting** - <http://www.kingscoteonline.co.uk/pothole-reporting/>

*Fiona Thornton*

## **Book Club at 8.00 pm**

- Wednesday 19 September 'This Boy' by Alan Johnson at Louise's.
- Wednesday 10 October 'East West Street' by Phillippe Sands at Pauline's.

*Angela Wooldridge*

## **Mobile Library**

The next visit will be on Friday 28 September when the van will park in front of The Walled Garden between 11.00 am and 12 noon.

### **Weekly Recycling - *Green food boxes and wheelie bins***

All current collection points - from 7.30 am on Thursdays.

### **Fortnightly Recycling - *Black boxes, White Bags and Blue bags***

All current collection points - from 7.30 am on Thursdays 6 and 20 September.

### **Fortnightly Waste - *Grey wheelie bins to landfill***

All current collection points - from 7.30 am on Thursdays 6 and 20 September.

### **Free range-eggs for sale**

Mrs Pat Cooksley of 2 The Windmill normally has some free-range eggs for sale at £1 for six. Best call mornings.

### **Mobile Post Office - *revised visit times***

The Mobile Post Office will continue to provide the service on **Monday and Thursday mornings between 9.00 and 10.00 am.**

This is run from the Cam Post Office, which can be contacted on *Tel. 01453 543 169* and e-mail *PostOffice@lwclutterbuck.co.uk*

## **The Gloucestershire Village Book**

*(The Gloucestershire Federation of women's Institutes ISBN 0 905392 87 6)*

### **Kingscote**

In 19th century Kingscote, sport must have featured largely for many in the community, whether taking part in it or in a back-up capacity. In the early 1800s Robert Kingscote laid out a fine race-course in the grounds of his new Georgian-style mansion, which became known as the Goodwood of the West, and a secluded dell in the park was the scene of many prize-fights. Cricket, too, flourished for a time at Kingscote. Henry Kingscote was president of the Marylebone Cricket Club at the age of 25 in 1827. *Scores and Biographies* said this of him:

Mr Kingscote comes next, as fine a young man  
As ever was built upon nature's best plan;  
He stands six feet four - and, what often don't follow,  
His leg is a model to form an Apollo.

A fine slashing hitter as ever was found  
He sometimes has knocked the ball out of the ground;  
An excellent thrower, an hundred yards clear,  
And ladies protest that he runs like a deer.

There was the celebrated occasion at Lord's where in a two-day match in 1871 the MCC were beaten by over 250 runs by the Kingscote Club.

For a time towards the end of the century coursing flourished in Kingscote. And of

course with the hounds by then kennelled at Uley, fox hunting was always a popular sport whether mounted or as a follower on foot. The shoot supported a couple of gamekeepers, their dogs, and a pheasantry which was almost in the village.

*Extract selected by the Editor.*

### **The Burial Ground at St Bartholomew's Church, Bagath**

Following the notification by a member of the public of pieces of bone having been exposed by the excavation of the access driveway in 2016, a considerable activity has resulted in clarification of the status of the burial ground. The diocese has confirmed that a part of the site (defined by the Land Registry) is still open for Christian burials and interments, for resident parishioners or those deemed to have a particular association with the parish.

This additional burial ground responsibility brings new administrative activity and no doubt expenditure concerning the safety of boundary walls and aged trees on site. As at Kingscote, all burials must be authorised by the vicar Rev.Sue Sokczak, and non-resident burials are subject to approval by the PCC.

The Diocesan Regulations covering churchyard burials and monuments are displayed in the porch at Kingscote Church. As we discovered when trenching at Kingscote, churchyards are heavily regulated by legal processes. The church building and the remainder of the site is of course privately owned.

We are very grateful for the dedicated work done by Alex Stephens, almost single handed over many years at Bagpath, to prevent it being overwhelmed by wild scrub.

*The PCC*

### **The Countryman Periodical**

*This very traditional publication was established in 1927 and has survived as a rather eccentric intellectual journal of rural gossip, information and provocation. Initially it was clearly aimed at landowners rather than land workers, but it has always had a hands-on approach.*

#### **The pioneer years**

When the *The Countryman* was born in 1927, a year after the General Strike, the countryside was sliding rapidly into an agricultural depression. Conditions for country workers were not good but those who worked on the land and in the villages were finding a new voice: old class divisions were at last being broken and people had the courage to complain about low wages and often atrocious rural

housing. In addition, 'Rural' with a capital R, was coming into fashion: the middle classes were spreading into the countryside - as ramblers and cyclists, as motorists out for a Sunday drive, as commuters and as owners of weekend cottages - and many of them chatted over their dinner tables about the need for 'Rural Improvement'.

Major topics in the first decade of *The Countryman* ranged from flying to nudism, embracing along the way subjects such as vegetarians, electricity for villages, fox-hunting (generally against), improvements of rural cottages etc.

### **1930 The Country House Aeroplane**

*Countrywomen who fly - by The Hon. Lady Bailey, DBE*

It is rather wonderful to think that, if you get a really grilling day in the summer, you can pull out your small aeroplane, start it up, take off and fly yourself down to the seaside for the day, or for the morning or merely for a bathe. Given a suitable field, with clear approaches and a small shed in which to house a light aeroplane, and there is the possibility of flying to any town in England or Europe or North Africa which possesses an aerodrome.

On a fine day some of the scenery up north, when seen from up above, is very beautiful. You can fly over the wild lake country in Cumberland and look down on the islands between the Scottish and Irish coasts.

No one, I feel can fully realise what the possession of an aeroplane means until he or she has tried it.

### **1932 The trend of Agricultural Thinking**

*The horse's Point of View, by a Farm Owner*

My corn was tangled, and what is worse, grown in. Thank goodness I have a tractor. Cutting tangled corn with horses is a terrible business. People who talk about it being so sad that horses are being given up, they are so fond of horses, they are not interested in farming without horses, etc., simply don't know what they are talking about. If I were a horse there is certain work like ploughing which I should enjoy. When one is young and fit continuous steady work like rowing or cutting through trees with a crosscut saw, gives a sort of quiet joy which ploughing must give to a good pair of horses. But cutting tangled corn on a hot day with torturing flies, and the constant hacking and backing to get the binder out of tangles must be a torturing job. Any horse lover with imagination must see it. Mechanisation makes the farming world fit for horses to live in by giving a few of them pleasant healthy work and a decent life.

*Extracts from the book 'Words from The Countryman', by Valerie Porter,  
selected by the Editor*

# Parish Directory

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- Mowing Team:** **Kingscote:** Harry Tubbs, Rick Bond, Roger Lucy, Sebastian Cooper, Ken Davies, Brian McTear, John Moore, Tony Wooldridge.  
**Bagpath:** Alex Stephens
- Village Hall:** Bookings: Liz Widdows, *Kingscote, Tel. 860 085 evenings*  
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