

WELCOME to the July edition of The Forerunner.

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Iln this month's edition Sebastian Cooper continues his research into graves in the churchyard in Kingscote – this time concentrating on Troylus Kingscote who served Queen Elizabeth I of England.

There is a reminder about the Thank you Day on 4th July, with postcards available in church, and a parish council update encourages parishioners to join the parish council annual meeting on 29th June.

All copy for the next edition should be <u>sent to Elin Tattersall</u> by the 20th of the month (01453 860182).

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VICAR'S LETTER

I write this month's vicar's letter just after the government announcement that restrictions will continue until 19th July. The government has said that from this date, restrictions will be eased and we are all of course hoping life will change for the better soon, as we adapt to live with, rather than in fear of Coronavirus.

One thing however that has changed is the restriction on the number of people attending a church wedding. It is a blessing that weddings are no longer restricted to 30 people, although social distancing measures still need to be in place, so numbers may still need to be restricted. Whatever the restriction on numbers, I hope that this will not take away the joy of the occasion and excitement of a wedding day.

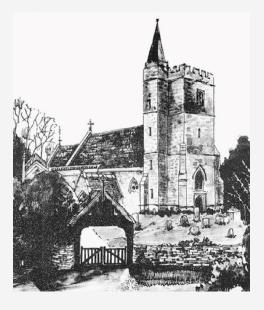
On Sunday 20th June. I had the joy of baptising baby Athena Kiszely, daughter of Alistair and Lottie and younger sister of Saphira. It was wonderful to welcome Athena into the family of the church. A great celebration for the church and family and friends

There will be changes in our clergy team from the 4th July as Rev. Stephen Jarvis retires as Associate Priest. Stephen came to the benefice during the interregnum in 2018, and it has been a joy to have him as part of the clergy team. He is now looking forward to retirement and will be praying and reflecting on where God is calling him in his retirement ministry – a priest never really retires!

The church is always here for you in all life's changes.

Please contact me if you would like to discuss a baptism (christening), thanksgiving for a child, wedding, wedding blessings or funeral.

With blessings Rev'd Caroline



KEY DATES

CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday 18th July at 9.30am- family service at the church of St John the Baptist, Kingscote.

Please note that there is a communion for the whole benefice (of Nailsworth, Horsley and Kingscote) in St Geroge's Nailsworth on 4th July at 11am.

The church of St John the Baptist in Kingscote will be open for private prayer and contemplation, from 9am to 4pm each Sunday, outside service times.

CHURCH FLOWERS

The rota for July is:

4th July – Elin Tattersall 18th July – Teresa Day

BOOK CLUB

Meet on Monday 26th July at 2.30pm, at Pauline's, to read "Olive Kitteridge' by Elizabeth Strout.

Then on Tuesday 17th August at 2.30pm, at Jane's, to read 'The Family Upstairs' by Lisa Jewell.

KERBSIDE WASTE & RECYCLING COLLECTIONS

Waste collection calendar

The calendar for kerbside collection has now been published and you can find it by <u>keying</u> in your postcode on this web page.

Food Waste

Every Thursday in July

Recycling & Garden Waste

8th July and 22nd July 2021

RECYCLING CENTRE

Pyke Quarry (Horsley tip) is open from 9am to 5pm on all days except Wednesdays, but only for pre-booked appointments. <u>Book your visit</u> here.

POST OFFICE

The mobile Post Office will be at Kingscote Village Hall every Monday and Thursday from 9am to 10am.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

At time of publishing there were no planning applications on the Cotswold District Council (CDC) website applicable to the parish of Kingscote, with deadline dates in July.

Note- Only applications classed by CDC as 'current' and with relevant consultation expiry dates are included in The Forerunner each month. The standard consultation expiry date seems to be 21 days after validation of the application by CDC although there are exceptions and sometimes applications do not seem to be listed on the website immediately after validation. Applications may not feature in the Forerunner if both the validation date and the expiry date fall in between Forerunner publications.

If you are keen to keep abreast of all new planning applications it is recommended that you check the CDC website regularly and/or register to receive email alerts direct from CDC.

PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

- 1. The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Tuesday 29 June at 7.30pm at Home Farm. Graham Nichols is kindly making a barn available for the meeting, and all parishioners are invited to attend. If you have issues which you would like to discuss, these may be raised on the night, but it would help with planning the agenda if you could advise Sebastian Cooper beforehand.
- 2. **Bagpath Common Ash Dieback**. GCC Highways have now advised that the work on the trees affected by ash dieback, provisionally scheduled for November 2021, has now been postponed to financial year 2022-3 because of budget cuts. About 60 trees are expected to be felled because they endanger the roads.
- 3. Windy Corner. We would like to thank those who have been keeping the triangle at Windy Corner in good shape. John Giddings was instrumental in getting the seat replaced with the motto "Rest but do not rust" and thanks are due to Steven Alder for keeping the grass mown regularly.

Kingscote Parish Council



COMMUNITY CORNER

We welcome your contributions to this, our parish newsletter, in whatever format - photographs, puzzles, recipes, poems and stories and will try to publish a selection each month. Please send them to <u>Elin Tattersall</u> (01453 860182).

An investigation by Sebastian Cooper into the life of Troylus Kingscote (1576-1656).

Among the interesting inscriptions in the Kingscote family enclosure in Kingscote churchyard is the one on the chest tomb of Troylus Kingscote.



I have searched for information about his life, with very little success. All I have found about his birth and immediate family is that he was born in 1576 and was the son of Henry Kingscote and Catherine Badminton. Here we can see the entry for his death and burial in the Kingscote parish records, where the spelling of his name is 'Troilus', as used by Shakespeare:



I was intrigued by the statement that he served 'as a com[m]ander of the Prince of Orange 40 yeares', so I decided to look into that aspect of his life.

Given his length of service as a commander, he must in fact have served not one Prince of Orange but two. Firstly, Maurice, Prince of Orange (1567–1625), the second hereditary stadtholder (between 1585 and 1625) of the United Provinces of the Netherlands, who was the successor to his father, William the Silent, the principal leader of the Dutch struggle for independence from Spain.

At this time the Netherlands (most of the modern Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg and the French provinces of Flanders and Artois) were ruled by the Spanish Habsburgs. Their misrule, together with religious differences, combined to provoke the Dutch into rebellion.

Queen Elizabeth I of England decided to support the struggle and in 1585 she sent money and five thousand soldiers to the Netherlands. In return, the English demanded a number of strategic towns in the Netherlands as security for later repayment. Brielle was one of these towns and between 1585 and 1616 it was in the hands of the English as security for payment and had a garrison of 800 English soldiers.

According to the Encyclopedia Britannica, the Dutch wars against the Spanish were considered a kind of military academy for young European noblemen. That is presumably why Troylus Kingscote got involved and he may well have been a member of the English garrison at Brielle.

The second Prince of Orange that Troylus must have served was Frederick Henry (1584 -1647), the third hereditary stadtholder (between 1625 and 1647) of the United Provinces of the Netherlands, the youngest son of William the Silent and successor to his half-brother Maurice.

Frederick Henry's recognised strength lay in capturing fortified places and every one of his yearly campaigns had the conquest of some important town or fortress as its aim. Hence, the borderline between the modern kingdoms of Belgium and the Netherlands came to be drawn largely according to Frederick Henry's successes and failures.

The war of independence lasted 80 years, ending in the Treaty of Münster in 1648, which formally recognised the Dutch Republic.

As a footnote, in 1677 Frederick Henry's grandson, William of Orange, married Princess Mary, the daughter of King James II of England, and in 1689 they were crowned as the joint monarchs William III and Mary II.

THANK YOU DAY

Sunday 4th July is a national Thank you Day which aims to support people and communities to express their gratitude to all those who have helped throughout the Covid-19 pandemic and made a difference in people's lives through their generous actions.

Thank you postcards are available in the church in Kingscote on Sunday 4th July for people to pick up, complete and either give to the person/ organisation or leave in the church for display.





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