

WELCOME to the May 2024 edition of The Forerunner In this edition of the Forerunner - we have details of the Parish Meeting of Kingscote Parish Council and the Annual General Meeting of the village hall.

Do come forward to help with the Flower Festival as well, on the weekend of 5-7th July. The Community Corner section lists helpers needed.

Any material for the next edition of the Forerunner should be sent to elin.tattersall@yahoo.com by noon on the 20thday of the month (01453 860182)

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VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends

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May is a busy month for church celebrations and festivals in our benefice

We are still in the Easter Season! Christians are still celebrating the gift of new life through Jesus. The Easter season goes on until Pentecost when we celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on those first disciples and the presence of the Holy Spirit with us today. Pentecost celebrates the birth of the Christian Church. That first Pentecost marked a turning point, a new beginning for the group of followers that Jesus had commissioned to go out into the world, to share God's passion for mission throughout the world. This is still the mission of the church today. Ascension, the day Jesus ascended into heaven is celebrated 10 days before Pentecost. During the time between Ascension and Pentecost the Archbishops ask Christians to join the global wave of prayer 'Thy Kingdom Come.' It is a calling to all Christians to pray for more people to come to know the love and peace of Jesus Christ. To find the life in all its fulness that we read of in John's gospel.

May 5th, the fifth Sunday after Easter, is traditionally known as "Rogation Sunday" in the Church of England's calendar of festivals. It is not perhaps a widely recognised festival today but is one that is particularly celebrated in rural country churches. Rogation gives us the opportunity to praise God and give thanks for our food. It is also a time of asking God's blessing on emerging crops. The local harvest in our country was vital in past times when it failed it meant starvation. In the world today climate change is affecting the harvest, particularly in countries where rainfall is unreliable, and long periods of drought lead to poor or even the absence of crop growth.

May is a month of saying thank you for the joy of Easter, for Jesus' ascension and for the pouring out of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. It is also a time to say thank you for creation and to pray for the bearing of a good harvest from planted crops.

You are welcome to join in any of the church services in the Benefice to celebrate and give thanks. This year, Rogation Sunday is the 5th of May and Pentecost the 19th of May.

With blessings,

KEY DATES

Events at the Church of St John the Baptist, Kingscote

Services in May 2024 Sunday 5th May at 9.30am- Communion Service Sunday 19th May at 9.30am- All Age Service All welcome

Church flowers (please note a slight change in the May rota from what was published in last month's Forerunner)

28th April and 5th May - Lorna Reynolds 12th and 19th May - Elin Tattersall 26th May and 2nd June - Pauline Howes 9th and 16th June - Angela Wooldridge 23rd and 30th June - Naomi Teague

Thank you to those who are on the flowers rota to supply one flower arrangement in the church per year. We would love to have a few more people join the team, so if you feel you could do this, please contact Lorna Reynolds (telephone - 01453 860231).

Book club:

Tuesday 7th May at 2.30pm at Angela's to discuss: 'The Lamplighters' by Emma Stones

If anyone else would like to come and join the Book Club, please contact Angela on 860697.

detached garage and home office and Kerbside waste and recycling collections associated works. Consultation expiry Food waste - every Thursday date: 8th May 2024 Recycling and garden waste -1 Ashcroft Cottages Ashcroft Road Thursdays 9th and 23rd May. The 2024-25 calendar is now available Bagpath Kingscote Tetbury Gloucestershire GL8 8YF. Change of use on the CDC website https://community.cotswold.gov.uk/s/w of former stable block attached to residential coach house and associated aste-collection-enquiry operational development including the Recycling centre demolition of no.2 lean to extensions Pyke Quarry (Horsley tip) is open in the (part retrospective). Consultation expiry date: 8th May 2024 winter for pre-booked appointments. It is usually open from 10am to 4pm Note- Only applications classed by CDC on all days except Wednesdays. Book your visit here. Phone bookings as 'current', using the keyword Kingscote are possible only for those without (i.e. the parish), and with relevant consultation expiry dates are included in internet access-phone 01452 596 626. The Forerunner each month. The standard consultation expiry date seems Post office to be around 21 days after validation of The mobile post office will be at the application by CDC although there Kingscote Village Hall from 9am to are exceptions and sometimes 10am. every Monday and Thursday. applications do not seem to be listed on apart from bank holidays. the website immediately after PLANNING APPLICATIONS validation. Applications may not feature in the Forerunner if both the validation At time of drafting this newsletter the date and the expiry date fall in between following applications were listed on the Cotswold District Council planning Forerunner publications. portal- applications in the parish classed as 'current' and with a If you are keen to keep abreast of all new planning applications, it is consultation expiry date. recommended that you check the CDC website regularly and/or register to The Grove Kingscote Tetbury receive email alerts direct from CDC. Gloucestershire GL8 8YN, Frection of https://publicaccess.cotswold.gov.uk/onli single-storey open garage, two-storey ne-applications/

Parish Council Update

1. Next meeting

By the time this report is published, the parish council meeting on 23 April will have taken place. The subsequent meeting will be the parish council AGM on Tuesday 14 May 2024 at 8.00pm in the village hall. This will be preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30pm and the AGM of the village hall committee at 7.00pm. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

2. GCC Highways matters.

Road closure

Ash dieback work has been scheduled on the A4135 during 22-24 April. Highways have agreed to erect 'village only' signs on Windmill Lane and Hazlecote Lane. It is hoped this will reduce traffic congestion in Kingscote village.

GCC Resurfacing plans

Highways plan to resurface 150 roads in the county during 2024/25, but none are in the Grumbolds Ash ward (which includes Kingscote parish).

Potholes

We continue to press for repair of the many potholes in the minor roads of the parish.

3. Village Hall boundary wall

The Cotswold Voluntary Wardens are making good progress rebuilding the boundary wall of the village hall, although they have other projects which also need their time. They make no charge for their labour and without this help the costs would have been prohibitive.

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 Elin Tattersall <u>elin.tattersall@yahoo.com</u>

MAY EVENTS IN THE VILLAGE HALL

COFFEE MORNING - Tuesday 14 May 10.30 - 11.30 a.m.

Everyone very welcome. Home-made cake and coffee (or tea if preferred) $\pounds 2.50$

Come for a friendly catch-up - and a warm up!

VILLAGE HALL A.G.M. Tuesday 14 May 7.00 p.m. - directly before Annual Parish Assembly

Please come along to hear Village Hall reports and express any views you may have on the Village Hall and what you would like to see happening there

We are urgently looking for volunteers to join the (very friendly) Committee

Brian is retiring after 16 years and we would both like and need new members

Please join and get involved, arranging things you would like to see happening in this village

It involves meeting once a month for an hour or so

Without this commitment we may be unable to continue

COMMUNITY CORNER

Church News

It was wonderful to see the lovely flower arrangements adorning the church for Easter Sunday- our thanks to the Flowers Team for their creativity and dedication. Children at the service also made an Easter Garden during the service.



Flower Festival 5th to 7th July

We are holding a flower festival on the weekend of July 5th to 7th. The theme will be All Things Bright and Beautiful and it will be a celebration of all the wonderful resources, skills and talents we have in our parish of Newington Bagpath with Kingscote. As well as floral displays we hope to have exhibits of local skills and crafts, such as painting, pottery and more. There will be children's activities and something for everyone to enjoy.

The more people involved the more varied will be the weekend and thank you to all those who have already said they will help. We always need more helpers so if you can support this event in any way that would be great. We would love to have donations and helpers for the plant stall, or you may be able to exhibit a craft, design an information leaflet for visitors, serve refreshments, bake a cake or help with children's events. If soplease contact one of the PCC members.

We look forward to sharing more information about this exciting event with you in the next month.

The PCC- Rev Caroline, Chris Alford, Jacquie Crew, Jane Nichols, Elin Tattersall, Rod Tibbert

TETBURY GOODS SHED

ARTS CENTRE

MAY HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE GOODS SHED

May 4th	Moscow Drugs Club Returns: elements of 1930's Berlin Cabaret, Hot Club de France, Nuevo Tango & Gypsy Campfire meet. Combining their original material with songs by Jaques Brel, Leonard Cohen, Tom Waits & Eartha Kitt, it's a musical experience! 7.30 Tickets £10-15.
May 11 th	Gloriana – Cappella Nova Chamber Choir: Music sacred and profane from the eras of Elizabeth 1 and Elizabeth 2 from Byrd and Tallis to Britten and Vaughan Williams. Proceeds to Longfield Community Hospice. 7.30 Tickets £12-£15.
May 18 th	Jazz Defenders: Led by one of the UK's most formidable jazz pianists, George Cooper, the group are born from a deep love of Blue Note jazz, drawing on a wealth of inspiration to craft their own raw and vibrant compositions. 7.30 Tickets: 12.50-£16.50
May 19	The Bookshop Band: In collaboration with the award-winning Bath bookshop, Mr B's Emporium of Reading Delights, Ivor Novellonominated composers Beth Porter and Ben Please write songs inspired by the books of the visiting authors including Margaret Attwood and Phillip Pullman

For more details of our other events including film, talks, exhibitions, and afternoon tea concerts and to book tickets visit our website:

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