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July view from the Vicarage ...

Dear friends,

It's amazing what you learn looking at Google. Fun fact: Apparently July was named July in 44BC by the Roman senate (what have the Romans ever done for us?) in honour of Julius Caesar. Before that it was known as Quintillis because it was the fifth month of the year which only started in March. Winter was deemed to have no months! Mind boggling.

It is a lesson that everything we think is timeless and changeless actually isn't. The first rule of understanding the universe is that in time, all things are changing all of the time including ourselves. Every atom in our bodies is replaced every seven years. If you look at a photograph of yourself taken when you were young, there is not one bit of you in that photo that exists as you today – you are a completely different person physically.

But you are still you. How can this be? It has been posited by physicist and theologian John Polkinghorne that what we call the soul is in fact “an information bearing pattern” held in the mind of God. Every new atom that becomes you miraculously conforms to this pattern that is you.

This pattern lives, grows, and eventually dies to that physical form. But in eternity, in the realm of God nothing dies, and nothing is wasted or cast aside. Your “pattern” is remembered in the mind of God. Resurrection is part of the fabric of the universe and not an aberration. Jesus has showed us our future!

If you are still with me – well done – sit down, have a biscuit and a cup of tea or coffee. Some things in life are just mysteries and I am content to leave them that way. Science can take us all just so far, but I am glad that science can sometimes lend a hand and not contradict our faith. You cannot put a dollop of love or compassion or the divine in a Petrie dish and examine it under a microscope. I am quite glad these wonderful theories exist but in the end, faith also cannot be examined or investigated. And faith, however small or hard to come by can move mountains.

Martin

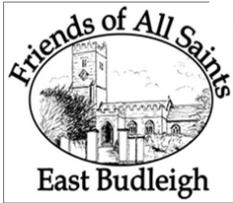
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Community Pastoral Team Leader - Jenny Steele on 443133 or Lynda Bunting from All Saints, East Budleigh on 446731.

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Friends of All Saints East Budleigh

A heartfelt thank you to everyone within and without East Budleigh who supported this year's 20th Anniversary Scarecrow Festival.

The organising committee are so grateful to everyone who made the effort to put out one or more of the 100 or so scarecrows that were scattered around the whole village. Thank you too, to all the volunteers who joined us around the event helping to make it such a success and all the local businesses that donated their products and supported our fundraising efforts.

The anticipated thunderstorms never arrived and a bit of gentle drizzle on Saturday did nothing to dampen the enjoyment of the visitors to the festival. We were delighted to see so many families and groups of all ages wandering and enjoying the atmosphere.

All activities were popular, the village hall hummed with folk enjoying refreshments and browsing the stalls while musical entertainment was performed on stage at various times of the day. The duck races were enthusiastically supported, as was the raffle which had some great prizes. There was plenty for children to do with a craft tent, face painting and a bouncy castle.

As ever, up at the church, visitors admired the brightly coloured knitted goods on display and were also treated to a handbell demonstration and taster session and the, always popular, trips up the bell tower to see the beautiful views over the village and surrounding countryside.

On Sunday the weather was much brighter and there was a good turnout for the Dog Show and it was lovely to see them sporting their rosettes around the village. The Classic Cars on display in the Vicarage garden were another focal point of interest.

All in all, a lovely family day out, so much so that one of our scarecrows was featured in the Sunday Times - thank you Pound Princess!!

Again many thanks to everyone for supporting our event which raised a magnificent £4,450 towards the maintenance and upkeep of our beautiful ancient church.

Friends of All Saints 200 Club Raffle

The Friends of All Saints, East Budleigh, invite you to join our 200 Club Raffle with a chance of winning a monthly cash prize (£40 first, £20 second and £10 third prize). We hope you might find it fun to be in with a chance to win back your annual investment and maybe more or, perhaps, you might like to buy tickets as gifts for friends or family!

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200 Club Winners

1st - Mr Derek Williams 2nd - Mr Ian Briggs 3rd - Mr T Pyne

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East Budleigh with Bicton Women's Institute

We have had a busy June. Twenty members enjoyed an outing to Fursdon House near Cadbury. It is a wonderful old house with lovely gardens, and the cream teas were excellent!

Next came the Scarecrow Festival – a hectic couple of days manning the bric-a-brac stall, together with a couple of games. The “guess the cake ingredients” game had lots of people puzzled; no-one managed to identify all the flavours, but the one who guessed the most won a lovely bottle of Prosecco. Thank you to everyone who bought things, had a go and importantly those who generously donated bric-a-brac.

Our next meeting is in the Village Hall on Thursday 13th July at 2pm when we welcome Vivien Jones who will talk on “A Glamorous Life in TV & Film”. Then on Thursday 10th August at 2pm we will have a cookery demonstration, and are hoping for a tasting too!

Our meetings are on the second Thursday of each month (except September) in East Budleigh Village Hall at 2pm and finish around 4pm. We are always happy to see visitors, so do come along and enjoy a meeting with us.

If you want to find out more about our WI then please contact our President Diana Humphreys by phone 07768 529352, email eastbudleighwithbicton@devonwi.org.uk or look at our website: <https://eastbudleighwithbictonwi.org>

EAST BUDLEIGH & BICTON PARISH COUNCIL

Our village is looking very tidy after some very good work by StreetScene. They especially worked hard on the Recreation Ground to remove many of the overgrown tussocks. Footpaths are overgrown in some areas due to the increased growth early this year, but our volunteer Path Wardens are doing their best to clear them. Residents near the car park have commented on the improved lighting since new LED lamps were fitted.

Beaver effects

East Budleigh has gained the attention of the Sunday Times on an unprecedented two occasions in the last month. A recent article discussed how beavers are mitigating the risks of flooding in East Budleigh. It described how our “picturesque village” was unscathed during the recent floods compared with our near neighbours probably as a result of the large pond and dams built upstream on Budleigh Brook by the beavers, which have slowed the flow of water. The article went on to say that a 2020 study by Exeter University concluded that the beavers had reduced “peak flows” through East Budleigh, which was previously prone to flooding. The scientists wrote “Beavers have created a huge storage area within the floodplain above the village”. A Director at Devon Wildlife Trust also commented that this had significant benefits to other wildlife and remarked: “A wetland like this is brilliant for biodiversity”. Derek Wensley, Chair.

The Clerk can be contacted Monday to Friday mornings after 9.30 am. 01395 489155 clerk@eastbudleigh-pc.gov.uk



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Scarecrow Festival

Photographs
Peter Bowler



Our Churchyards...

Are you any good at simple DIY?

If anyone out there could help with some simple DIY jobs, eg, sanding down the handrails, filling any needed repairs and painting, please get in touch.

Valerian also called Centranthus

Above the Church walls along High Street and up the main path to the Church is ablaze with red valerian (*Centranthus ruber*). This tough Mediterranean wildflower arrived here about four hundred years ago and quickly became naturalised. It thrives in coastal areas ... it loves cliffs and walls ... and may be seen in peoples' gardens (however, you are no longer supposed to introduce them into gardens!). It has tiny, clustered flowers that are nectar-rich that are adored by butterflies, bees and moths. Once the flowering heads have gone over, with careful pruning you may get a second set of flowers. Valerian is an herb that is used in some traditional medicines.

Love Your Burial Ground - East Budleigh Event on Sunday 4th June

Caring for God's Acre (CfGA) believes churchyards and the estimated 150,000 volunteers who care for them deserve recognition and celebration! For over 15 years, CfGA has run a dedicated week in the first week of June called 'Love your Burial Ground Week.'

In East Budleigh, our challenge is that the week leads into the Scarecrow Festival, so it is not easy to organise activities throughout the week. This year there was a chance to enjoy your art in the Churchyards, bric-a-brac in the Church Hall, two Churchyard Tours and refreshments on Sunday 4th June. We were pleased to welcome eight people on each of the Tours including some visitors to East Budleigh - we covered the wildlife seen in a year, management of the Churchyards, interesting stories about some of people buried here, and how we strike a balance between being an area of peace and contemplation for people whilst allowing nature to flourish. The event raised £184 towards the maintenance of the Churchyards thanks to Maria and her dedicated team of helpers.

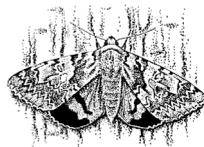
The Night Shift

The UK is home to over 2,500 species of moths. They grace our skies with a diverse palette of shapes, sizes, and colours. Unlike their butterfly relatives, most species of moth are primarily active during the night and have evolved adaptations such as sensitive antennae which guide them through the darkness, detecting subtle chemical signals that lead them to nectar and mates. The flowers of some plants open and become more fragrant in the evening, luring in the moths. These flowers also tend to have pale hues to reflect the moonlight and be easily seen by a range of nocturnal pollinators.

To distinguish a moth from a butterfly, focus on the shape of the antennae - most butterflies have club-shaped antennae with a little delicate ball at the end whilst moths' are usually feathery, saw-shaped or taper to a fine point. If you find yourself too far away to admire the intricate details of their antennae, fear not! Look at their wings - most moths rest with their wings flat and outstretched in peaceful repose, whilst most butterflies fold their wings upright with elegance and grace.

Often camouflaged to perfection, many moth species blend seamlessly with their environment, their patterns mirroring the intricate details of tree bark, leaves, twigs or lichen - keeping them hidden from prying eyes.

The lifespan of moths varies greatly between species. Some flutter through existence for mere days while others fly the night skies for



Our Churchyards....

months. Regardless of their lifespan, moths play a vital role as pollinators, weaving together the delicate threads of the ecosystem.

Britain's Most Unusual Lizards

The slow worm is a species of reptile that can be found all over the UK and is well adapted to both rural and urban environments. Burial grounds, gardens, verges and allotments can all provide important places of refuge for slow worms, and with a little extra attention, these sites can also benefit other reptiles and amphibians, such as grass snakes, frogs, toads, and newts. Although often mistaken for snakes, slow worms are actually legless lizards with eyelids, a flat forked tongue, and the ability to shed their tails to evade predators. Slow worms can grow up to 30cm in length and typically live for 20-30 years in the wild, though the record for the oldest slow worm is held by a male that lived for 54 years in Copenhagen Zoo!

Like all reptiles, slow worms rely on the sun's heat to warm themselves, but they usually stay hidden under cover, such as in long grass, woodpiles, or compost heaps, where they hunt for prey like slugs and earthworms. During winter, they hibernate among tussocky grass, log piles, compost heaps, or stones, and emerge in the spring. When mowing or using strimmers in long or tussocky grass, it's important to check the area for slow worms first.

Unfortunately, slow worms are facing declining populations due to habitat loss. Therefore, managing our spaces to better support these lovable lizards can go a long way in protecting them. We certainly do our bit in the Churchyards with many sightings during the year.



Churchyard Working Party

There were eight volunteers for the June Working Party. With the summer upon us, many people have holidays and/or grandchildren duties, so we could do with some more help - if Friday doesn't work for you but you would like to help, please let us know and we can find you a suitable task or two.

The next three Churchyard Working Party dates are Friday: 16 July, 20 August and 17 September. All are welcome so come and join us and we will find a task to suit you. We start around 10.00 and finish between 12.00 and 13.00 with a coffee break at 11.00 ... biscuits and/or cake as well!

The CPRE Devon judges for the Devon's Best Churchyard visited at the end of May - we await the outcome in September ...

Do visit and enjoy the Churchyards – wonderfully welcoming, peaceful places for quiet contemplation and mindfulness, and a haven for wildlife ... and photography.

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Wildlife Photographs and words - David White



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- Scarce chaser, a new species of dragonfly for me & seen on the lower otter.
- Golden ringed dragonfly, the largest of the species in our area & with a bee caught as prey
- Two banded demoiselle damsel flies in a serious fight over a female
- Male crossbill, lucky to find a juvenile nearby providing proof of breeding locally
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SUNSCREEN



We have managed to source the Malibu Kids 50SPF sunscreen. Very good reviews online and we also have Aftersun with Vitamin E – just in case you overdo the sun! You will find it on the bottom shelf of household bits and bobs in the corner of the shop below the tea and coffee shelves!

As always – if you do have requests or ideas that could be helpful – don't be shy, let us know! We can't always guarantee success, but we can guarantee to do our best!

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East Budleigh in Bloom

What a lot has been happening!

Firstly, thank you to everyone who supported our plant sale on 20 May. We did very well and are set up financially for the next year of planting to keep our wonderful village beautiful. So, whether you were buying, donating plants or cakes, or helping on stalls and setting up, a big thank you.



The village was all planted up in time for the Scarecrow Festival. At the Scarecrow Festival we ran a stall to sell left over plants from our plant sale, together with the surplus from our summer planting and plenty of donated plants, which raised a handsome sum that was shared between us and the Festival.

The Middletown Lane bed is now planted with bee friendly perennials as part of our move towards more sustainable planting. We are also now planting for the Church and the Sir Walter Raleigh pub, so busy times!

By the time you read this our Open Gardens will have happened, so more about that next time. In the meantime, happy gardening!

If you have any queries please contact the secretary, Jon Roseway, 01395 488739.

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The East Budleigh Song

Words and music Paul Painter

When Raleigh set off for his city of gold,
He thought he'd be rich long before he was old.
But he quite lost his head and he never came home,
Now his statue it stands on a plinth all alone.

CHORUS

Though we roam far and wide it can't be denied.
We think of our village with love and with pride.
So let's sing it out loud and let's sing it out strong,
For we know that there's only one East Budleigh song.

The old Salem Chapel has now been restored,
Though stories of smuggling they can't be ignored.
The schoolhouse gave hope to the young and the poor,
While the roof space was handy as a safe brandy store.

CHORUS

Now young Roger Conant left here for the States,
And there founded Salem with help from his mates,
It's now known for witches and tales of dark deeds,
But it wasn't East Budleigh that planted the seed.

CHORUS

From Brookfield to Frogmore, Hayes Lane to Oak Hill,
From Tidwell and Middle Lane there's plenty more still.
We have scarecrows a Maypole and a phone mast that's new,
A church and a shop so there's plenty to do.

CHORUS

Where once we had two pubs there almost were none
The urge to go eating and drinking had gone
But we all rallied round and now all own a share
Of the new Walter Raleigh, so I'll see you soon there

CHORUS

There are some who were born where they still live today,
Some come for the week and then don't go away,
Because here feels like home and it's easy to see,
That here in East Budleigh's where we want to be.

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Beaver photo Mike Symes

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Please note: beaver sightings cannot be guaranteed. The evening involves a walk of about one mile on footpaths which can be muddy and uneven. Suitable for adults and children 12+ years.

Limited places - Booking essential. To book please email savingspecialspecies@gmail.com or contact Ruth Worsley, Wildlife Engagement Officer, 01297 489741

Nature's High Fliers Walk,
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Free event for all ages.



Silver studded blue butterfly – photo Stephen Lewis

Join Graham Jones to explore a rare piece of Devon heathland in search of these elusive insects. We will also look out for other summer wildlife living in the heathland habitat and you can help us spot butterflies to record on the Butterfly Conservation's annual Big Butterfly Count Survey.

East Budleigh Common is part of the Pebblebed Heaths National Nature Reserve (NNR), the largest block of lowland heath remaining in Devon. Nearly 30 butterfly species have been recorded in the Pebblebed Heaths NNR, choosing to make their home in this wild, unspoilt habitat. This event is part of Heath Week.

Limited places - Booking essential. To book: click this link: [Nature's High Fliers Summer Wildlife Walk](#) or email savingspecialspecies@gmail.com or contact Ruth Worsley, Wildlife Engagement Officer, 01297 489741

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This event is also linked to [East Devon Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty \(AONB\) Saving Special Species nature recovery work](#) and is part of a programme of special activities marking the 60th anniversary of the East Devon Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.



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The Heritage Centre to open in Salem Chapel this summer.

At its first meeting of the steering group on Thursday 22 June, the name “Heritage Society” found favour. The meeting agenda was planned to get down to business and organise the Society’s structure, objectives, business plan and finances in readiness for a hoped-for opening of the Heritage Centre next year.

However only days before the meeting, the Historic Chapels Trust proposed opening the Heritage Centre on a six-month trial basis from this summer. Both parties agreed that the building needs to be clean, and fit for purpose prior to opening. The necessary preparations are underway and are expected to be completed by late July as supported by the new Surveyor and the new Estates Manager. An agreement for the use of the building is being reviewed and will specifically benefit from the HCT public liability insurance.

The current plan is based on soft opening of the Heritage Centre each weekend in August along the following lines:

5-6th Our Famous Heritage - focus on Raleigh, Conant and Salem chapel itself.

12-13th Our Natural Heritage - Bees, Birds and Bats - and wildlife photos.

19-20th Our Jurassic Heritage - Pebblebed Heath, to Budleigh Brook, to Lower Estuary

26-28 Our Foodie Heritage - 3-day bank holiday weekend. Supported by local producers and businesses.

Heritage Centre continued

Meanwhile the steering group will revise the Heritage Centre vision proposals in accordance with the questionnaire outcomes. The main changes will be to reflect the conclusions of the public consultation that the village is not seeking to take ownership and responsibility for maintenance of the chapel but to achieve use as a community Heritage Centre and include the inspired questionnaire suggestions for its use. The revised proposals have been requested by the Historic Chapels Trust, now managed by the Churches Conservation Trust.

East Budleigh History Society

The East Budleigh History Group met on Monday 12 June and decided to adopt the name East Budleigh History Society.

The initiative for the Heritage Centre questionnaire started with the East Budleigh History Group. Following discussion and consideration of the responses to the Salem Chapel questionnaire, it was agreed that the new Heritage Centre steering committee will be set up as a separate entity. The first meeting of the steering group will be arranged later in June to consider options for community use of the chapel.

The planned visit of the East Budleigh History Society to Topsham Museum is scheduled for Friday 14 July departing from the Hayes Lane car park at 1.30pm. To arrange car share please contact Maria on 0777 321 8582.



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The cows will be back on Aylesbeare Common for the summer and there are ponies grazing Manor Common and Withycombe Raleigh Common. We are able to graze the whole of Manor Common for the first time in many many years because we have fenced it. During March, we put in about 800m of fence along the roadside, and we've put a temporary electric fence around the rest of the perimeter. There was a smaller electric fence loop but this is now dismantled. We use traditional breeds that are hardy and well-adapted to the heathland environment for conservation grazing. These include Dartmoor and Exmoor ponies. These animals help us to manage the heaths by keeping on top of more vigorous grasses and scrub, allowing the heathland specialists to thrive. Historic grazing has shaped the heaths that we see today and we now use it as a management tool to maintain the best environment for the rare and vulnerable species found here.

This June we've had a long hot and dry spell, and we've been anxious, especially over the weekends, about the risk of wildfire. There were wildfires in Scotland and at a Devon Wildlife Trust site (not locally) and it's just something that we as heathland managers have to be prepared for. We prepare our sites as much as possible, through fire breaks from mowing, tracks and vegetation clearance. The grazing animals have helped by reducing Molinia – the dead brown leaves are a tinder in the spring before it's all come up green again. But please be mindful of leaving glass bottles and campfires/barbeques. Barbeques and fires are not allowed. Please be careful.

Just a note on dogs on the heathland. Most of our sites, and the Pebblebed Heaths, are open access land. And we graze them all, at varying times of the year, with cows or ponies. With that in mind, please bear in mind the following which is taken from a press release from Devon and Cornwall police.

“All land is owned, and access is not a given right, so it is important that users of the countryside understand specific designations of land and ‘rights of way’. For example, on land which is designated as ‘access land’ a dog must be on a lead between the 1 March and 31 July and at all times when livestock are present.”

“Allowing dogs to chase or attack livestock is a criminal offence. Take notice of local signage, respect wildlife and any livestock around you, keeping your dog on a lead to protect livestock and ground nesting birds”.

“If you witness an attack on livestock, do not intervene, keep yourself safe and call 999. All other information relating to attacks on livestock should be reported to the police online or by calling 101”.

With regard to the Countryside and Rights of Way Act (2000) which provides for “right to roam” across common land it does indeed require you to control your dog near livestock, but it also requires you to keep it on a short lead between 1st March and 31st July to minimise disturbance to ground-nesting birds, mammals reptiles and amphibians. Research has shown that birds avoid nesting in land where they are constantly put to flight by dogs roaming away from footpaths. If your dog simply follows you along the tracks, then there is no reason why you should keep it on the lead, but if it strays away, no matter how well mannered it may be, it will disturb the wildlife. Please help us by setting the right example to fellow dog walkers – this is often as useful as anything else and we do appreciate it. We are a nature reserve, that's what our work is all about.

The nightjars have begun breeding now, churring every evening. The silver-studded blue butterflies are on the wing and the damsel and dragonflies are hawking about. We'll be looking to Heath week soon enough, at the end of July. Enjoy the heaths this month, thank you for supporting and valuing the work we do to maintain the habitat for you to enjoy.

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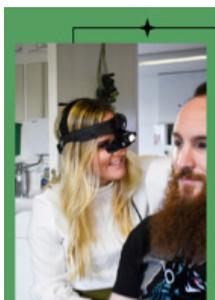
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Wednesday 5 July – 10.00am – 6.5 miles

‘A Riverside Ramble’

Meet: Newton Poppleford Robert Way car park (OS 115, SY 087 897).

This is a linear walk down the Otter from Newton Poppleford to Budleigh Salterton. We will break for coffee along the way, so bring a flask. Also bring a packed lunch to enjoy on the sea front when we get to Budleigh, before getting the bus back to Newton Poppleford. Or make your own way back by bus straight away. Walk Leader: Ross Hussey: rdandamhussey@hotmail.com or 01395 227991.

Monday 10 July – 10.00am – 7.5 miles. 5 hours with stops. BOOKING REQUIRED

‘Three Churches and there’s Nobody In(n)!’

Meet: Christow CP (OS 110, SX837 851) Please share cars if possible.

We will visit 3 wonderful medieval churches with a lot of original features and walk along quiet lanes and paths in peaceful countryside with great views on a clear day.

We start at Christow, visit High Ashton and should be at Doddiscombsleigh by lunchtime – bring a picnic or try the Nobody Inn pub for lunch and/or drink. We then walk back to Christow.

Walk Leader: Penny & Paul Kurowski 01395 742942 / 07792 619748 or pandp@kurowski.me.uk

Tuesday 18 July – 10.00am – approx. 6 miles. 3 hours plus stops. BOOKING REQUIRED

‘Lustleigh Cleave’

Meet: Lustleigh Church (OL 28, SX 784 812)

Roadside parking in Lustleigh is limited – please share cars if possible.

The walk climbs steeply from Lustleigh to the top edge of the cleave (valley) above the river Bovey with views across the Moor, before descending to the dense woodland of the cleave and an undulating path back to the village. Sturdy walking boots and sticks recommended. Much of the walk is also in shade if it is a hot day.

There will be a coffee stop at Hunters Tor and a picnic stop in the Cleave.

Walk Leader: Jane Kewley 01395 445598 or 07966 280147 or janekeuley7@gmail.com

Walk Leader: Jon Roseway 01395 488739 / 07887 936280

Wednesday 26 July – 5.30pm – 4.3 miles. 2 hours. EVENING WALK

‘Ghost Train’

Meet: Tipton St John Level Crossing (OS 115 SY 091 917) a roadside bench between the Golden Lion Inn and the Playing Fields memorial clock. Car parking in the playing fields car park (donation) or at the pub if staying on for the meal.

An illustrated (old photos) walk to mark 60th anniversary of the demise of steam trains in the Otter Valley. Across the fields to look at the 5-arch bridge and Tipton Mill, then footpath, road and track following the Sidmouth branch route as far as the Knapps Lane bridge, Harpford.

Finishing at 7.30pm by ‘whetting your whistle’ at the pub with another look at the photos, or stay on for an evening meal together – book your own place(s) by ringing the Golden Lion 01404 812881 (ask to join Haylor). Walk Leader: Haylor Lass 01395 568786

Thursday 3 August – 10.00am – 7 miles. 4.5 hours

‘River Otter and Aylesbeare Common’

Meet: Newton Poppleford recreation ground CP (OS 115, SY 0883 8996).

This walk takes us on a trip around Newton Poppleford on riverbanks, footpaths, green lanes and quiet roads. We follow the East Devon Way up through the Aylesbeare Common Nature Reserve to the high point at Joney’s Cross. Then we head down into the Hawkerland Valley as far as Colaton Raleigh. From there it’s a pleasant stroll alongside the river Otter back to the start. Bring refreshments and a packed lunch.

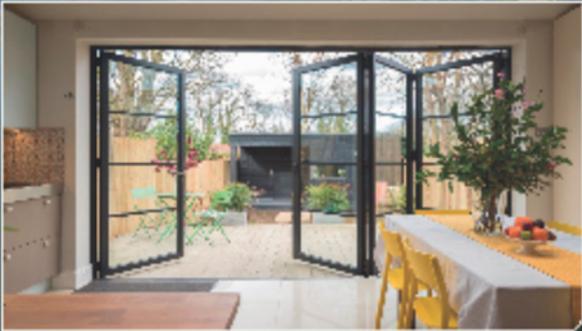
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The activities are in a number of different categories – all the hours can be from the same activity or from a variety of services.

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- service for the elderly
- service for children
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- safety training
- service to parents and family
- literacy and education
- disaster relief
- public health
- taking a leader's role
- community improvement
- helping a Lions Club
- any other service activity of your choice.

The Young Leaders in Service Awards encourage, guide, mentor and recognise young people (aged 8-18 years) for their community service. On completion of their hours of service, the young people awarded will receive a certificate, a letter of congratulations from Lions Clubs International (MD105) British Isles, and a Young Leaders in Service pin. There are three levels of award:

- Bronze 25-49 hours service
- Silver 50-99 hours service
- Gold 100 or more hours service

The scheme can help those young people who are involved with other organisations, e.g. Duke of Edinburgh Award; Scouting; St. John Ambulance; etc. by being able to obtain their YLiS certificate to coincide with their other award.

The benefits for young people taking part:
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become involved in their community and with their local Lions Club
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If you are, or know of, a young person between the ages of 8 -18 years who might qualify for this scheme and who resides in the local area then please let us know and we will gladly let you have more information and a registration form...

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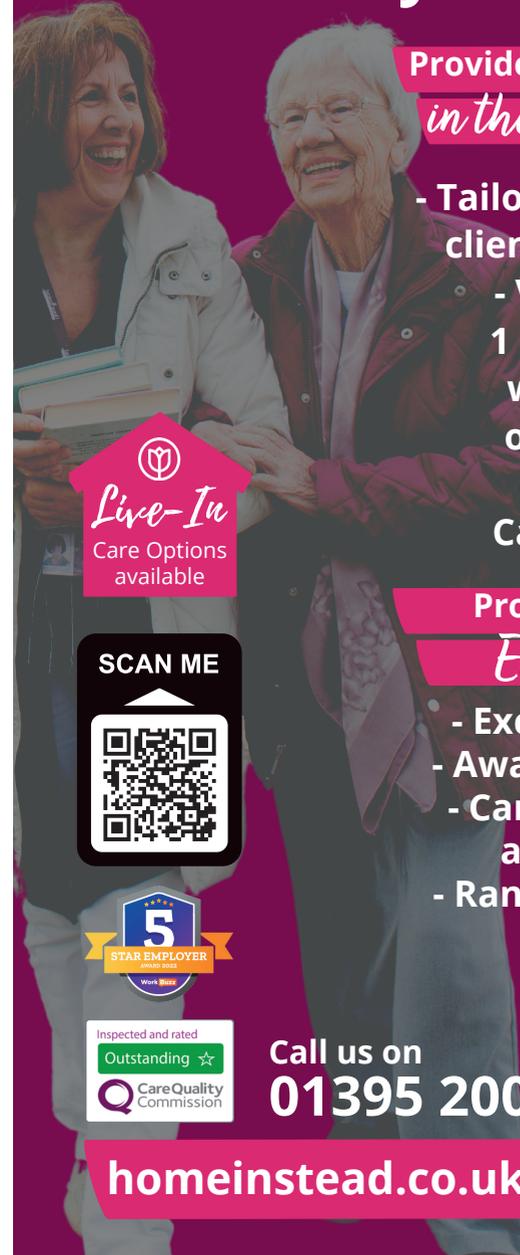
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Date	Time	St Peters	All Saints	Otterton
July				
Sunday 2nd	8.00	Holy Communion BCP		
Sunday 2nd	9.30		Holy Communion	
Sunday 2nd	10.00	Holy Communion		
Sunday 2nd	11.00			Morning Prayer
Tuesday 4th	9.30		Morning Prayer	
Wednesday 5th	9.30	Holy Communion		
Thursday 6th	9.30			Morning Prayer
Sunday 9th	8.00	Holy Communion BCP		
Sunday 9th	9.30		Holy Communion	
Sunday 9th	10.00	Holy Communion		
Sunday 9th	11.00			Holy Communion
Sunday 9th	18.00	Choral evensong		
Tuesday 11th	9.30		Morning Prayer	
Wednesday 12th	9.30	Holy Communion		
Thursday 13th	9.30			Morning Prayer
Sunday 16th	8.00	Holy Communion BCP		
Sunday 16th	9.30		Holy Communion	
Sunday 16th	10.00	Holy Communion		
Sunday 16th	11.00			Holy Communion
Tuesday 18th	9.30		Morning Prayer	
Wednesday 19th	9.30	Holy Communion		
Thursday 20th	9.30			Morning Prayer
Sunday 23rd	8.00	Holy Communion BCP		
Sunday 23rd	9.30		Holy Communion	
Sunday 23rd	10.00	Holy Communion		
Sunday 23rd	11.00			Holy Communion
Tuesday 25th	9.30		Morning Prayer	
Wednesday 26th	9.30	Holy Communion		
Thursday 27th	9.30			Morning Prayer
Sunday 30th	8.00	Holy Communion BCP		
Sunday 30th	9.30		Holy Communion	
Sunday 30th	10.00	Holy Communion		
Sunday 30th	11.00			Holy Communion
August				
Tuesday 1st	9.30		Morning Prayer	
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