

# MONACHORUM MATTERS

The newsletter for Zeal Monachorum and St Peter's Parish



*From our Jubilee Poster competition, one of the winning entries; this was designed by Abigail Drake aged 12*

## EDITORIAL

Well it's finally here - the Jubilee Bank Holiday weekend. At the time of writing it was still three weeks away so there was no way of knowing how the weather was going to turn but hopefully there will be lots of sunshine. The planning, which started last September, has brought lots of events to fruition and we hope that everyone finds something to join and enjoy.

As reported in the May newsletter, the July issue will be a commemorative edition featuring lots of pictures from everything that happened in Zeal on the Bank Holiday and will include our thanks to everyone who played a part in making this weekend so special. So, if you have photos of particular happenings please send them into the newsletter, as soon as possible please, but no later than 8 June. The address is [zmon.news@gmail.com](mailto:zmon.news@gmail.com) Whatever you do, have a great time.

Included this month are the winning entries for our poster competition and, by the time you receive this newsletter, you will probably have seen them around the village. The brief was to create an eye-catching design that would advertise our Jubilee events, and the judges considered that all three entries were worthy winners. They are shown on the front and back covers and on Page 8. I think it shows that there is a lot of artistic talent in our younger residents - well done to all of them.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## RAINFALL

The rainfall for April was 39 mm.

## MOBILE LIBRARY

Mobile Library Friday **24 June**, stopping at Waie Cross between 1.15pm and 1.45pm. To find out more: Tel: 0345 155 1001, [devonlibraries.org.uk/web/arena/mobilelibraries](http://devonlibraries.org.uk/web/arena/mobilelibraries)

## HAYNE CHARITY OPEN GARDENS for National Garden Scheme

Sunday June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2 - 6pm, Entry £5, Kids free

Well behaved dogs on leads

All profits from sale of Teas and Cakes go to Ukraine and other countries in crisis from war.

Perennial Plant Stall, Hayne Cut Flowers, Tea and Cake, Live Music, Barista Coffee...exciting outing people!

Highlights include cob walled garden with espaliered crab apples, roses, white wisteria, iris siberica and ox eye daisy, lupins, Piet Odulf style perennial planting and a cut flower field.

## VILLAGE EVENTS IN JUNE

Every Weds	Coffee morning, 10.30am - 12 noon, Village Hall
Wed 1 June	WI, Pimms and Pizza at Beam Ends, 6.45 for 7.00pm
Sat 11 June	Village Market, 10.00 to 11.30am, Village Hall
Sun 12 June	Hayne Open Garden for NGS, 2 - 6pm
Mon 13 June	Zeal Explorers Village Walk, 2pm at bus stop
Fri 24 June	Library Van, 1.15 - 1.45pm at Waie Gardens

## JUBILEE EVENTS

Thur & Fri 2 & 3 June	History Exhibition, Village Hall, 10.30 - 5.00pm
Thur 2 June	Yard Sale, 10am - 3pm, and viewing of decorated houses/gates, map from Village Bulletin Board, church green.
Thur 2 June	6.30pm at Waie Inn, commemorative tree planting at 8.00pm, Beacon 9.00pm in Drummer's Field, behind Churchill Gardens
Fri 3 June	Family Fun Dog Show, Waie Inn, 1.30pm
Sat 4 June	WI Tea, Village Hall, 3.00pm (Pre-booked guests only)
Sun 5 June	Big Street Party in Churchill Gardens, 1.00pm; bring your own food & drink.

# A Royal Themed Quiz to Celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

1. How old was Princess Elizabeth when she became Queen?
2. Which of Henry VIII's wives was the mother of Queen Elizabeth I?
3. What is the weight of the Coronation Crown? Roughly 5lbs, 7lbs or 9lbs
4. Which English King was known as Lion Heart?
5. Who was the drummer in the rock band Queen?
6. How many great grandchildren does the Queen have at the moment?
7. What are the main ingredients for Coronation Chicken, invented in 1953?
8. What is the name of the royal residence near Aberdeen?
9. The traditional Coronation ring was not worn by Queen Victoria. Why not?
10. What are the Queen's middle names?
11. Of which branch of the WI has the Queen been a member since 1943?
12. Whose daughter has been named using the Queen's longstanding nickname?
13. British coins are made at the Royal Mint in which country?
14. Which way is the Queen facing on standard UK stamps and coins?
15. In which year did the UK effectively have 3 Kings?

And, finally, there have been 5 portraits of the Queen used on coins during her 70 year reign.

Can you say in which decades these appeared?

*Answers on Page 6*

## QUOTES

'I believe that, young or old, we have as much to look forward to with confidence and hope as we have to look back on with pride'.

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*HRH Queen Elizabeth II*



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## FISHING CLUB CHAT

Hi All

Sorry we don't have much to report this month; as most of you probably know Jane and I have been out of action with Covid. I am pleased to say that we are now both testing negative. We are about to go on our holidays for 10 days and by the time you read this we will be back and in circulation for all you keen anglers. Andy Richardson, one of our members, has been fishing the lake. He found it hard work and the fish are not easy to catch at the moment, but he managed to land a nice 3lb carp. Hey guys, if they were easy to catch it wouldn't be as interesting as it is.

When we get back, we will be planning our big fishing bash for Ginge, so we hope to see all you juniors down at the lake and practising for the big day. There will be prizes for all and we hope to make a good day of it.

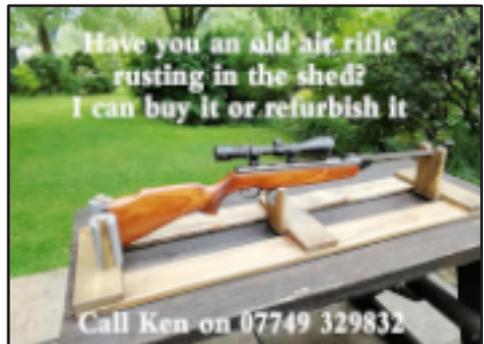
Tight lines

**Ken and Jane**

### Answers to Quiz on Page 4

1. 25
2. Anne Boleyn
3. Nearly 5lbs
4. Richard I
5. Roger Taylor
6. 12
7. Cold chicken, mayonnaise, curry powder, apricots
8. Balmoral
9. It was too large for her fingers so another ring was made
10. Alexandra Mary
11. Sandringham
12. Prince Harry and Meghan Markle
13. Wales
14. She faces left on a standard stamp and right on a coin
15. 1936

The new coin portraits of the Queen were introduced in 1953, 1968, 1985, 1998 and 2015



# NORTH TAWTON BOWLING CLUB SAYS WELCOME



After a layoff of nearly 2 years the balls have started rolling again on the green in North Tawton. At a very successful spring meeting, Chairman John Kinsey set out a detailed plan of action for the coming summer season, which includes continuing with a programme of maintenance and improvements to our facilities.

The green is in excellent condition due mainly to the efforts of Rob Arscott and Dave Cooper plus the addition of a new all dancing and singing tme machine (NB Tme not Time!). The new fixture list, prepared by Gordon Denham and Margaret Arscott, looks set for some interesting tussles with other clubs this summer in both league and friendly matches.

We have a 'roll-up' every Monday evening from 6pm when players can come and hone their skills, and new players can come and try out this very sociable sport. If you would like to give it a try you would be made most welcome. Contact Gordon Denham, 881414, [gandmdenham@gmail.com](mailto:gandmdenham@gmail.com); or Jan Summers, 82571, [jansummerszm@gmail.com](mailto:jansummerszm@gmail.com).

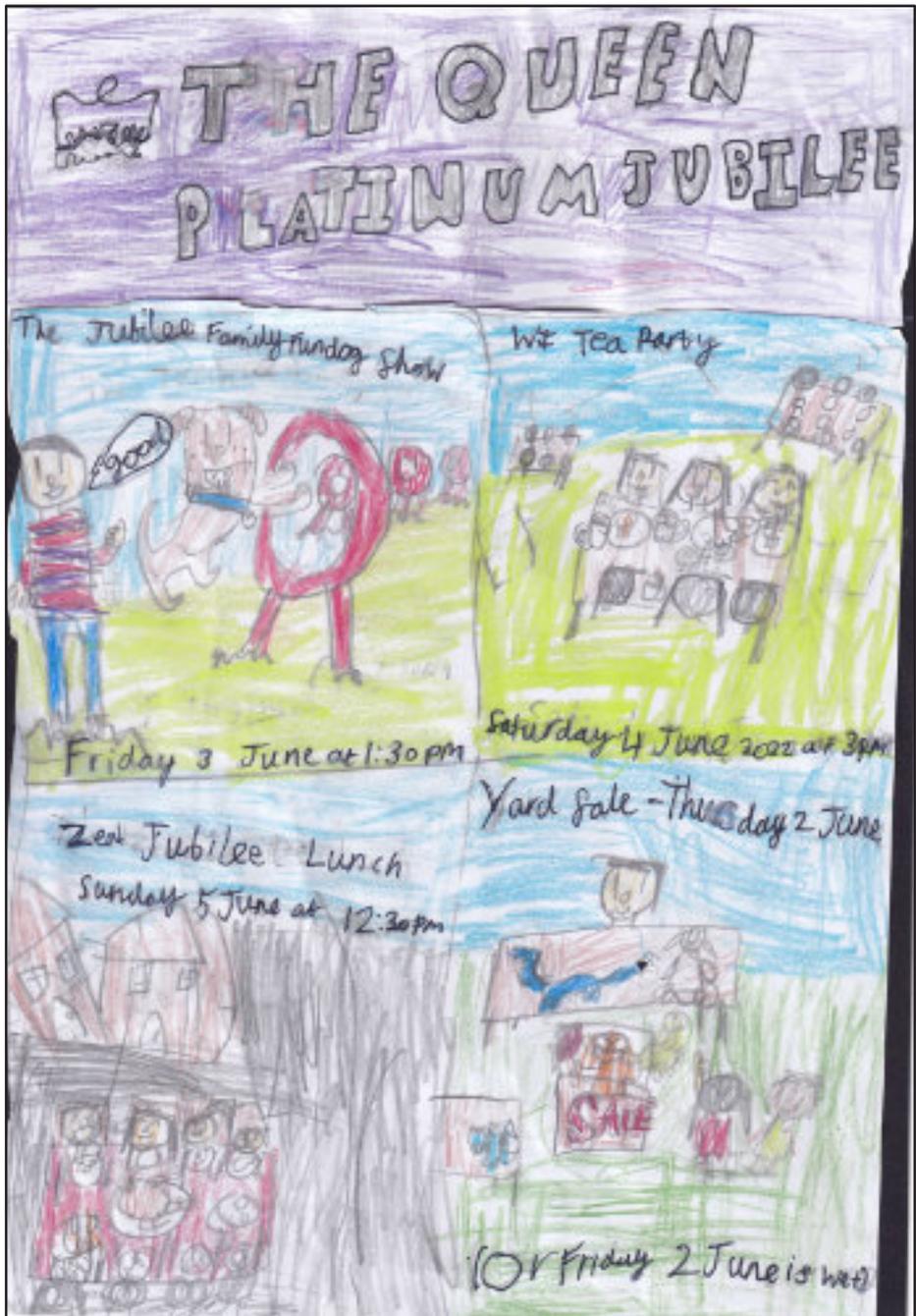
Mike Thwaites  
President

## CREDITON FOODBANK

The Foodbank Coordinator was very appreciative for the substantial delivery received after the last Village Market, and for the door step donations. Three more bags are ready to be delivered. The current Foodbank needs are:

- Fray Bentos pies - Chicken, Cheese and Onion, Steak (no kidneys please);
- Washing up liquid, washing (clothes) tablets or capsules;
- Microwaveable rice easy cook pouches;
- Sugar, UHT milk - full cream and semi skimmed, biscuits, squash, juices – these are some of the items that can run low quite quickly;
- Egg boxes (6's) are always needed, if you can help that would be appreciated.

As mentioned in the last newsletter, money donations will be given for gas and electricity unless specified otherwise. This is a time when more people may need the Foodbank, a position they never dreamed they would be in. Let us all be aware of those around us who may be struggling. If you know of anyone at any time who may need to use the Foodbank, please let them know they will be welcomed and helped. We all need to realise it could be us. God Bless



Jubilee poster designed by Kian Panchal, aged 10.



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# ST PETER'S CHURCH



*St Peter the Apostle*

Dear Parishioners,

June is a time of celebration. It begins with Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee. I wonder if, when it was sung 'Long to reign over us', she ever imagined that it would be for 70 glorious years. On Sunday 5 June at 10.00am we are having a special service to commemorate this momentous occasion. The Jubilee lunch will then bring our villages long weekend of celebrations to a close.

St Peter's day falls midweek on the 29<sup>th</sup>, so we will be celebrating St Peter the Apostle, the Patron Saint of our church, on Sunday June 26 at 6.30pm with a service of evensong.

## Church rota for June 2022

### **5 June at 10.00am**

First reading  
New Testament

### **Queen's Platinum Jubilee (lay led)**

Joshua 1: 1- 9  
Luke 22: 24-30  
Sidesman  
Flowers May 30 & 6 June  
Church cleaner

Miss Lynn Warren  
Mrs Becky Harvey  
Mr Colin Crothers  
Mrs Isabel Harris  
Mrs Margaret Down

### **12 June at 6.30pm**

Old Testament  
New Testament  
Gospel

### **Trinity Sunday**

Proverbs 8: 1-4, 22-31  
Romans 5: 1-5  
John 16: 12-15  
Sidesman  
Flowers June 12 & 19

### **C W E**

Mr Robert Peck  
Mr Ken Down  
Rev D. Rowbottom  
Mr Tony Brealy  
Mrs Susan Bostock

### **26 June at 6.30pm**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading  
New Testament

### **St Peter the Apostle**

Acts 12: 1-11  
Matthew 16: 13-19  
Sidesman  
Flowers 26 June & 3 July

### **Lay led Evensong**

Mr Colin Crothers  
Mrs Isabel Harris  
Mr Tony Brealy  
Mrs Margaret Down

Our **Annual Parochial Church Meeting** was held on Wednesday 27 April. Reports of church activities, the fabric of the church, the churchyard and 2021 finances were presented. 2021 was a much-improved year. From March we were able to worship in church and some fundraising activities took place. I was re-elected as Churchwarden, Mr Colin Crothers, Mrs Becky Harvey, Mr Tony Brealy were also elected to the PCC. Sides persons Mrs M. Quick, Mr T. Brealy, Mr C. Crothers were appointed.

At this meeting the following officers were elected: Margaret Down, joint secretary; Colin Crothers, joint secretary and health and safety officer; Becky Harvey, Treasurer and safe guarding officer; Tony Brealy, electoral roll officer.

**Church Car Park** We are well aware that parking in the village is at a premium, however, the PCC finds it necessary to control its use. Parking from now on will be by **prior arrangement only**. Contact Becky Harvey on 07841 02761 or Margaret Down on 07903 445301

Don't forget on the third Sunday of each month, **take away cream teas** are available from the church porch between 3.00 – 4.00pm. **Orders please anytime, but no later than 9.00pm on Saturday (day before) earlier if possible.**



Two scones, clotted cream, raspberry or strawberry jam are the choices this time; **only £3.50**. Please remember to state your jam preference when placing your order. Contacts: Margaret Harris 82251/Margaret Down 82204.

*Margaret (churchwarden)*

## FARMING FROM THE HEDGE

**Planting 100% cotton pants**, a memorable way to discover the health of the soil in your garden or fields and spark conversations with your neighbours and friends on how to manage the natural resources of the land!

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## COMIC RELIEF

Here are the winners of Isabel's 'Guess the famous faces'; pictured; left to right: Julia Hill, Becky Ringrose with Reggie & Archie, Ali & Joss Birchwhite.



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Exterior painting, gutter clearing

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## Land Rover Series One 86" Station Wagon

This is the story of one of David Bowyer's Land Rovers - **7902 DF**. This vehicle was dispatched to the RAF from the Solihull factory in November 1955, and was demobbed in 1963. After several owners, it was purchased in 1975 by Rev. Andrew Stevens, a vicar from Chewton Mendip, Somerset; he used DF as a daily runabout around the seven parishes that he looked after. Originally built as a hardtop, Andrew spent a year making the vehicle roadworthy and changing it into a seven-seater Station Wagon to give better visibility with rear seats and a rear door.

DF is not original; Andrew drove **DF** for 42 years before he retired and, during that time, covered 180,000 miles. He carried out many modifications and changes to ensure reliability, ease of maintenance and usability in modern traffic. All the components used to make these changes are original Land Rover items.

The changes include: galvanising an original 86" chassis during the mid-Nineties, fitting a 2¼ Litre 3 bearing Series 3 engine with a 9:1 compression ratio re-engineered cylinder head, gas flowed inlet manifold with a 1¾" SU carburettor, K & N air filter and a 4 branch exhaust manifold giving around 100 brake horse power. Other changes included: later Series 2A gearbox with hydraulic clutch and transfer case, Series 2 axles with fully floating bearings and front disc brakes developed for the Series 3 Santana Land Rover in Spain. (*Editor's note – this is English, but not as most of us know it*).

A great number of other improvements have also been made, many by Andrew Stevens and even more by the present owner, **David Bowyer**, who has owned **DF** since August 2020. Andrew was a co-founder of **The Land Rover Series One Club** in 1979 and David joined the club soon after. The club has over 3,000 members and, if you are interested in early Land Rovers, contact David for details of this wonderful club, which includes a comprehensive spares shop.

David Bowyer, 07802 759284; [info@davidbowyer.co.uk](mailto:info@davidbowyer.co.uk)



## Take a look at these tips on what needs doing in the garden this month, courtesy of Bow Garden Centre

1. Mow your lawn at least once a week. Feed regularly and re-seed larger areas, use a spreader for an even spread (and water during dry spells).
2. Plant up hanging baskets, make sure you use water retaining granules and a slow-release feed to help them flourish all summer. Fill any empty containers you have with new summer bedding.
3. Pinch out your tomatoes regularly, harvest any lettuce, radish and early potatoes and any other salads that are ready. Feed with 'Tomorite', or all purpose feed.
4. Get summer ready and make any major changes to your garden such as new patios, garden buildings, and furniture.
5. Water plants regularly to ensure they grow and bloom. Invest in a Hozelock automatic watering system to ensure the job is done early mornings and late evenings, when the sun is down.
6. Cut back spring-flowering perennials, to encourage fresh foliage.
7. Start to pick sweet peas as soon as they flower, and dead-head roses if they are a repeat-flowering variety to encourage more blooms.
8. Remove any dead foliage from spring flowering bulbs, with the exception of daffodils and tulips which could be left a little longer, but do take off any seed-heads that may appear. If possible, it is best to allow the foliage to die back naturally.
9. Keep the greenhouse well ventilated during the day as temperature fluctuations caused by hot temperatures in the day, then cool at night could affect tomato plants fruiting.
10. Stay on top of weeding so your plants don't have to compete for water & nutrients.

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# The Queen's Platinum Jubilee!



## THE JUBILEE BEACON

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 9pm in  
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This year we all can come together to celebrate Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee.  
Happy 70 years on the throne!

## THE JUBILEE FAMILY DOG SHOW

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 1.30pm at the Waie Inn  
£1 per entry



## THE WI JUBILEE TEA PARTY

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June 3pm  
at the village hall.

## THE BIG JUBILEE LUNCH

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June 12.30pm at  
Churchill Gardens

Bring and share your own food to  
celebrate with friends!



*This entry was designed by Thomas Drake, aged 8*