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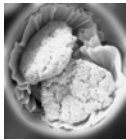
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Coffee Morning

Saturday 16th September

10:30 am – 12:00 noon

At Rosemead Farm, Queen Street, Keinton Mandeville



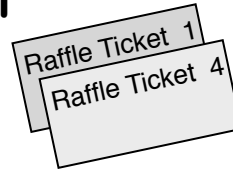
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Coffee and tea



Fund raising in aid of refurbishment
of St Mary Magdalene church

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Saturday, 23rd September

7:00pm at Barton Village Hall

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NIGHT

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Date	08:30 am	10:30 am (or as noted)	Other Services
2nd Sept.	—	—	11:00 am Wedding Kingweston
3rd Sept. Trinity 13	—	Holy Communion Lydford on Fosse	—
10th Sept. Trinity 14		Benefice Holy Communion Kingweston	—
17th Sept. Trinity 15	Holy Communion Barton St David	Morning Prayer Keinton Mandeville	—
24th Sept. Trinity 16	Holy Communion Lydford on Fosse	Morning Prayer Barton St David	4:00 pm Faith'n Fun Keinton

The Henry Livius Trust

The Livius Trust aims to provide items, services or facilities at Keinton Mandeville Primary School to advance religion in accordance with the doctrines of the Church of England. The Trustees are open to any proposals to accord with the Trusts aims.

Rev. Jane Durham (01458) 223417

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Keinton Mandeville Parish Church Openers – September 2023

Should you need to swap, please could you let Emma know as well as the person due to hand the key onto you. Meanwhile, if anyone else would like to help with the locking and unlocking of the church, please call 223344.

Sunday 27 th Aug – Sunday 3 rd Sept	Sue Baker	223519
Sunday 3 rd Sept – Sunday 10 th	Judith Sherwood	223834
Sunday 10 th Sept – Sunday 17 th	John Walker	223617
Sunday 17 th Sept – Sunday 24 th	Alan Lines	223441
Sunday 24 th Sept – Sunday 1 st Oct.	Chris & Sandra Weigh	224696

Church Car Parks

In Keinton, Kingweston and Lydford it is now possible to give when you visit using the QR codes found on noticeboards or at the door. If you use the churchyards or car park please do consider making occasional or regular donations towards their maintenance and their ongoing place in the lives of our communities.

Churches opening for private prayer

The churches of Barton St David, Keinton Mandeville and Kingweston are now all open daily. Lydford church will open at the weekends as before once local conditions allow.



Sunday, 8th October

**11:00 am Harvest Festival Service
St Mary Magdalene Church, Keinton**

followed by

Harvest Lunch from 12 noon to 3:00 pm in Keinton Village Hall

No charge for lunch but donations welcome.

**** Registration form (back page of magazine) to be completed please ****

Please put completed form in box at Keinton Stores (by 2nd October)

or via contact details given on page 16.



It has proven to be quite a summer:

- Record amounts of rain in July
- Challenges for farmers with the harvest
- Wildfires in different parts of the world
- Flooding in other parts of the world
- Discussion about how we treat refugees who come to the UK
- Ongoing wars, between nations and within nations
- A new MP for Somerton and Frome

And I'm sure you will have your own family stories and memories of what has happened this year.

When it feels as if the world is quite fragile, in both climatic and political terms, we can feel overwhelmed. At times maybe we want to turn the news off, stop scrolling on our phones or listen to something else on the radio, and that is probably quite a sensible reaction. In our instant news world there can be just 'too much information' and our brains just don't know where to turn (or at least that can be true of mine!)

So when this happens how can we respond? Sometimes we need to stop, turn off our phones, TV or tablets and breathe. We can start by listening to the sounds around us, taking in the noise of our homes, maybe we can hear what is happening outside. Then we can start to listen to the sounds within us, for some of us that will mean trying to get beyond the tinnitus, there may be swooshes and glugs, but we can pause to listen.

Then maybe we're ready to listen to our hearts, to hear what our bodies are saying to us, and to hear what God is saying.

Many years ago, the prophet Elijah encountered God on a mountain. To his surprise it was not in the noise, the wind, the earthquake or the fire but it was the sound of sheer silence. In the Psalms we're invited to:

'Be still, and know that I am God!

I am exalted among the nations,

I am exalted in the earth.

The Lord of hosts is with us;

The God of Jacob is our refuge.' Psalm 46:10-11

So whatever we face this autumn, in our lives or in the life of the world around us, maybe we can take time to stop, to wonder and to pause, listening to ourselves, our community and maybe our God.

Best wishes,
Jane

From the Registers

We offer our congratulations to:

Zoe SPENCER and George GARRETT on the occasion of their wedding at St Peter's Church, West Lydford, on Saturday, 24th June 2023.

Jaxon William THOMAS on the occasion of his dedication which took place at St Peter's Church, West Lydford, on Sunday, 6th August 2023.

We extend our condolences to the family and friends of:

Charles BOLTON of Keinton Mandeville, who died at home on Saturday, 13th May, aged 71 years. A funeral service and committal took place at St Mary Magdalene Church, Keinton Mandeville, on Thursday, 29th June.

Harry GRIFFIN of Charlton Adam, who died at Yeovil District Hospital on Saturday, 3rd June, aged 77 years. A funeral service followed by interment of ashes was held at St Peter's Church, West Lydford, on Tuesday, 27th June 2023.

Jean Iris LITSTON formerly of Kingweston, who died at Wessex House Nursing Home on Wednesday, 2nd August, aged 88 years. A funeral service followed by committal took place at All Saints Church, Kingweston, on Thursday, 17th August.

Molly MILES formerly of West Lydford, who died at South Cary House Care Home on Sunday, 16th July, aged 97 years. A thanksgiving service was held at St Peter's Church, West Lydford on Wednesday, 9th August.



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WPCT will try to assist on Sunday mornings, so if this applies to you or someone you know, **please ring 07799 487 719**, preferably 48 hours in advance. *Thank you WPCT!*

Benefice Choir

On the first Saturday in September, it was with the greatest pleasure that the Benefice Choir sang for a wedding in Kingweston Church, to get the new season of music off to a wonderful start.

This was followed on the Sunday by a very social bring and share lunch, giving everyone time to chat, to reflect on the music made over the past year and to hear about Lynne's ideas for music in our worship over the next few months. Partners and friends were made very welcome, and it was a fun gathering.

Looking ahead, the choir is especially pleased to be *singing in the Bishop's Palace, Wells Cathedral, on Sunday 1st Octobers*, to which all are welcome and then for the *Harvest Festival celebration on Sunday 8th October in Keinton Church*, with a short performance after the Harvest lunch in Keinton Village Hall. On *Sunday, 28th October, Keinton Methodist Chapel is holding a refurbishment fundraising concert and the Benefice Choir will be taking part.*

Rehearsals, which are held on a Thursday evening from 7:30pm in Kingweston Church, will then look towards the Remembrance Sunday service, which is held at Lydford and after that to preparations for the start of Advent.

If you would like to join the choir, please don't hesitate to get in touch with Lynne Kirkman on 01458 224158 – she would love to hear from you.



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A volunteer driving service by and for the residents of Keinton Mandeville, Kingweston, Lydford and Barton St David. If you reside in any of these villages, do not drive or have your own transport and have difficulty with public transport you may be eligible to use the scheme. It can be used for, but not necessarily restricted to:

- Journeys to the doctor, hospital (if free transport is not available), postoffice, shopping.
- Visits to friends or relatives (including when in hospital)
- journeys to bus stops, bus stations, railway stations for onward journeys.

Should you find yourself in need of a lift please give us a call – preferably 48hrs in advance – and we will do what we can to help – **contact number is: 07799 487 719**

For further information visit the village web site or, alternatively, brochures are available from the coordinator. **4th Covid Jabs** – If you are a resident of Keinton Mandeville, Lydford-on-Fosse, Barton St David or Kingweston, your local Community Transport is able to provide FREE transport to Local Vaccination Centres. Interested? Please call 07799 487 719.

Save the date:

Friday, 20th October 2023

At Keinton Mandeville Village Hall

7:30 pm – 11:00 pm

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The next Parish Council Meeting will take place on Tuesday 5th September at 7:30pm in the village hall. Public session will take place at 7:30pm immediately before the formal meeting. See www.keintonmandevillepc.org.uk for information.

Keinton Environment Group (KEG)

Keinton Community Copse

Hopefully by the time you read this there will be a new sign by the Community Copse. We emphasise the word "community" in this project; we'd welcome anyone to spend a couple of minutes weeding around the trees or letting us know (contact details below) if they see a problem

Rewilding

We are getting ready to start planting pollinator-friendly verges and other areas around the village this coming autumn. Do get in touch (details below) if you have an area you would like to consider for us to "re-wild". We know there are those who have volunteered their verges, but we would like you to get in touch again to remind us!

Also we'd like to hear from anyone who might like to help with this project – we think it would be a great idea for young people doing their Duke of Edinburgh Awards to get involved as a community service project

Hedgehogs

We are delighted to say that there have been an increasing number of hedgehog sightings from around the village; please do contact us (details below) if you see a hedgehog or would like advice on feeding and providing shelter for them.

A reminder that all our meetings are open to anyone to attend and we'd love to get more people involved in what we do.

K.E.G. Next Meeting

Wednesday, 13th September at 7:30 pm – venue to be confirmed.

Facebook: (5) Keinton Environment Group (KEG) Facebook

Email: info@keintonenvironmentgroup.org.uk

Keinton Mandeville Table Top Games Group

If you like playing table top games like Scrabble, Boggle, Rummikub, Logo, cards, chess etc then why not come along to the table top games group which meets in Keinton Mandeville Village Hall. We chat, drink tea and coffee and play games. There is no charge as the sessions are funded by KM Parish Council. The group is open to anyone who would like to come, you don't need to live in Keinton Mandeville.

Dates for the next four months

Wednesday, September 20th; Wednesday, October 18th; Wednesday, November 15th and Wednesday, December 20th all between 10:00am and 12 noon.

There is no need to book...just come along if you can. We look forward to seeing you.

Viv Lane & Claire Harding

Keinton Mandeville Knit and Natter Group

Knit and Natter meets on Monday afternoons from 2:00pm to 4:00pm.
New members, irrespective of ability are always welcome or even those who have never knitted before.

For further information please phone (01458) 223344.

Barton St David Mothers Union

Tuesday, 12th September at 2:30 pm – Meet in the Church for a short Harvest Festival Service followed by light refreshments at Rosedale, Church Street courtesy of Wendy Eitzen.

Barton St David Friday Afternoon Table Tennis

Sessions are in the village hall and begin on Friday September 8th and run from 2 until 4pm with a break in between for refreshments, which are provided. There is no annual fee but a charge of £2 per person per session. Bats and balls are provided. Please contact Elaine on (01458) 850465 or via email: esbalcombe@googlemail.com if you are interested.

Barton St David History Club

After a full and varied Spring programme we are taking a break over the summer with our Village Hall meetings resuming for the Autumn in late September. However; we will be in contact directly with Members regarding the possibility of one or two local trips out over the intervening Summer months.

A date for your diary – Don't forget!

The Keinton Mandeville Big Breakfast Is Back!

On

Saturday, October 14th

From 9:00 am

In Keinton Mandeville Village Hall

The funds the Big Breakfast raises will support many of our local organisations plus **Blood Cancer UK, WHY and Save the Children.**

Come along and enjoy a delicious breakfast or afternoon cream tea (or both!) and the other attractions that make the Big Breakfast the event it has become! Do bring your family and friends.

Committee members will be selling raffle tickets door to door from the middle of September and once again we have some wonderful prizes including a £100 first prize; a luxury hamper; cinema tickets and a coached clay pigeon shooting session. We will also be organising a collection of donations for the tombola. More details to follow!

Price changes

Due to rising food costs the committee have decided to increase the price of a Full Monty, for the first time in more than a decade, to £6 (individual food items will be 80p). The Full Monty will include 8 different items, all carefully cooked and served by the wonderful kitchen team.

Cups of tea will be 50p and the afternoon cream tea is £2.50. We will have card readers for payment but we welcome cash payments too!

If you are part of a local organisation and would like support from the funds we raise for a particular project, to buy equipment, a special activity – or anything else please contact the committee on:

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St Peter's Church, Lydford on Fosse

The Services for September are on page 2 of the magazine.

We hope you have had an enjoyable summer and the weather did not upset any of your plans.

The Lord's Larder

We shall be collecting for the Lords Larder food bank in Yeovil again this year from, **Saturday 16th September to Sunday 1st October**. The church will be open at weekends for food donations, or you can leave them *with Jennie Cooper at Springwood, or Ralph Berry at Greystones phone numbers are on the front of the magazine*. Should you rather give a monetary donation please leave with either of the above *Cheques made payable to YCST* or look on their web site. Donations are always very gratefully received.

Next House Communion

Wednesday, 4th October at 3:00pm in Lydford Parish Hall.

All from the Benefice are welcome to attend this short Service and then to enjoy an afternoon tea and chat with friends.

Fund Raising

The benefice is holding several fund raising events for the whole benefice during the Autumn. *A quiz night in Barton village hall on Sept 23rd*, and a Table Top Sale in Keinton village hall on November 18th. Further details are in the magazine.

The Walters and Pope Trust Fund (Lydford-on-Fosse)

- ❖ **HELP!** Do you know anyone in Lydford who needs help and/or support?
- ❖ It may be help with buying books for university.
- ❖ It may be help with buying tools or equipment for a new job.
- ❖ It may be support for someone who is ill, or who is caring for someone.

The Walters and Pope Trust Fund has a small annual income – the Trustees would like to spend this money, fairly and discreetly, for the benefit of anyone who lives in Lydford.

If there is anyone who would like assistance, please contact the Trust in confidence: *Secretary, Caroline Seehra tel: 07926 488190 or The Treasurer, Ann Parkhouse tel: 01963 240268.*

Welcome & POPin Cafe

This month's Cafe will be on **Tuesday, 26th September 10:30am – 12 midday** in the Parish Hall where a variety of home-made biscuits and good coffee will be on offer. We look forward to seeing you all!

Lydford on Fosse Parish Council

The council meet on the second Wednesday of the month, 6:30pm in the Parish Hall close to St. Peter's church, West Lydford.

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- 10th October – 7:00pm to 10:00pm at Great Bow Wharf, Langport
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- 18th January – 7:0pm to 10:00pm East Coker Hall, East Coker

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Lydford and District Gardening Club

I According to Percy, August is a month when it is important to take the lower leaves from tomatoes. Obviously a bit of judicious spraying is vital and cinerarias will benefit from copious quantities of malathion, whatever that is! Early apples should be picked if any are still to be found on the trees following June, July and August drop. Lavender should be trimmed, ensuring that the cuts are not so severe as to go into old wood. Compost heaps should be kept watered and turned. In addition, a 'proprietary accelerator' should be added or, failing that, some good old sulphate of ammonia. Consequently a busy month has just passed not to mention the equally frenetic July which preceded August and never really lived up to the name of 'mid-summer'. It was, as you may remember, a good month for growing but not one in which tanning or selling ice-cream were very productive activities.

However, July was the month in which 'DD' came to Lydford and took the village by storm. Repeated initials can carry a great deal of kudos. 'BB' was a fantastic author of fiction for children and anyone who has not read 'Brendon Chase' has missed out on a glorious experience which ought to be grabbed at the earliest opportunity. Alexander Armstrong is fairly ubiquitous on television and radio at the moment. Sandie Shaw bestrode the popular music scene in the late 20th century whereas Brigit Bardot was an icon and still is renowned, albeit for her work with animal welfare rather than on the silver screen.

DD seems to be especially prevalent. Desmond Decker, Derek Dougan, Diana Dors, Desmond Douglas, Doris Day, David Davies and, last but not least, Dave Dee have all become famous in different spheres but Derek Dexter has cornered the market in the horticultural area of growing and showing fuchsias.

He arrived at the Parish Hall in Lydford on Tuesday, 11th July as a storm blowing in from the far south-west. Based in Chard, the fabled settlement on the far southern marches of Somerset, Derek arrived as a missionary, ready, willing and even determined to convert the indolent and heretic population of Avalon to the true faith. Why watch television, play golf or go metal detecting when time could be spent taking cuttings of fuchsias. Watering fuchsias. Covering fuchsias in fleece. Drenching fuchsias in 'Provado' to combat the thuggish and indiscriminate Vine Weevil. Fertilising fuchsias with 'S.B Plant Invigorator and Bug killer' but only if the potion is bought in sufficient bulk to make it cheaper than Unicorn milk. Fertilising fuchsias with 'Chempak 3' once a week, at a much better price than the elixir mentioned in the previous lines. As a temptation and incitement for the assembled Avalonian hordes, Derek brought some of his babies to the Hall and, surprisingly, was prepared to let them go at very reasonable prices.

His stock appeared healthy and after the audience had been browbeaten and convinced to turn over the whole of their collective estates to the production of 'Fuchsia Jam' (Honestly!), the rush to reach the table at the front of the Hall and purchase the little darlings in huge quantities, brought to mind the 'Tulipmania' which caused major financial stress in 17th century Holland. Fighting did not occur but those who were lucky enough to buy the last few specimens of 'Hawkshead', a particularly winsome little variety, can count themselves lucky if they were not mugged on the way home! For all things fuchsia, an email to derek-dexter@yahoo.com could provide the answer.

August was holiday month. Nothing happening but the sound of ripening tomatoes and children and wives complaining about having to eat runner beans.

Barbecue

However, September is when the new academic year begins and, in some ways, so does the gardening cycle. To celebrate this genesis the Gardening Club will have a barbecue and all members and their loved ones are more than welcome to attend.

This gastronomic extravaganza will start at 18.00 hrs on Tuesday, 12th September and the venue will probably be the traditional spot between Lydford Parish Hall and the church. There will be a 'welcome back' raffle and attendees are invited to bring any surplus fruit, vegetables and seeds that they may wish to swap. It will be a chance to celebrate what has grown, have a jolly good moan about those things which resolutely refused to play ball and eat a sausage or two.



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The film being shown is –

The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry (2023, 12A)

starring Jim Broadbent and Penelope Wilton.

Adapted from her novel by Rachel Joyce, a novel which has been immensely popular with Book Clubs. Learning that his old friend and colleague Queenie has terminal cancer, Harold (Jim Broadbent) sets out to post her a letter of condolence, but impulsively decides to visit her instead, walking from his home in Devon to Berwick-Upon-Tweed, and leaving his wife Maureen (Penelope Wilton) hurt and confused at home.

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Street Contacts

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So well done to the residents of Lydford – Lydford NHW is a successful scheme!

Lydford Ladies Third Tuesday Group

Our July event was a slightly soggy outing to The Bishop’s Palace in Wells for a picnic and a performance of “*Romeo and Juliet*” by a theatre company called The Lord Chamberlain’s Men.

The play was presented as it would have been in Shakespeare’s day i.e., in the open air, with an all-male cast and Elizabethan costumes, music and dance. It felt like a typically British summer event with several downpours during the performance, but the rain didn’t seem to faze the actors or dampen the spirits of the hardy audience.

As the Scandinavians say “*There’s no such thing as bad weather, only bad clothing*” – and luckily, we’d all come dressed as if it was November!

Future Meetings

September 17th

Outing to East Somerset Railway for Tea & cake at the Café, and (optional) Train Ride. Please see email to members for further information.

October 17th

Talk by Craft House Chocolate (Somerton).

November 21st

Social evening in hall with “Desert Island Discs” theme!

January 16th 2024

Meal out at a local pub.

Women Visitors welcome to all our events usually held at 7:30pm on the third Tuesday of the month in the Parish Hall, West Lydford (unless otherwise stated).

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Harvest Supper

On **Monday, 2nd October** we will be holding our Harvest Supper and Auction. Everyone will be made very welcome! Please contact Celia 224601 or Alison 223565 for more details.

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