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(Shaun, Editor)

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Summer holidays are nearly here and hopefully people will be able to get away and recharge their batteries after a difficult 18 months. NHS workers, teachers, carers, drivers and the myriad of other workers who have helped to keep the country going during the pandemic, deserve a break.

It's likely that Covid will probably be always with us so we must learn to adapt to keep ourselves and others safe. To wear a mask or not? It's now our own responsibility to make that decision – for the time being, I shall continue to wear one in shops and on public transport.

Although some of our regular summer activities have had to be cancelled, Cannington in Bloom have, once again, stepped forward and done the village proud with their efforts, helped by volunteers and local businesses. On July 6th their efforts were judged and there is a full report on pages 62/63.

It's nice to hear the bells ringing again on a Tuesday night, and other local groups planning to restart their activities include the Scouts, WI and Friendship Club.

It's nice that some of our readers are sending in their own contributions for the Target and thank you for that. On page 20 there is an account of a WI outing to Seaton but the author and the date are unknown, so if anyone recognises it, could they let myself or Betty Edney know?

Once again, Cathy has provided us with a lovely Risotto recipe, and also some expert tips on gardening for us to follow for the next three months. One question that is on every amateur gardener's lips is "Is it a Weed?" Well the answer can be found on page 13 compliments of Keith Simms.

Finally, it almost came home. If it was suggested before the Euros started that England would get to the finals, pundits, both professional and amateur, would have doubted your sanity. However, they did it and despite the result, they brought the country together to support a single cause. Well done to all involved.

Finally, a word of warning from Clive Boucher (P 34); it pays to go onto comparison websites rather than accept the quote from your usual company.

Thank you to all our advertisers and contributors who make it possible to continue to keep the Target the magazine it is. Not forgetting the distributors who bring the Target to you in all weathers. Thank you everyone. (Shaun - Editor)

Fingers and ---?

They were once, the fond thought lingers, as familiar as my fingers.

As time goes by, they tend to float ever downwards, quite remote, unattached, below the knees, as far as the antipodes

Misty blurred, viewless, strange, lurking down there out of range, even with our lessening height, they've stealthily eased out of sight.

Cutting toenail is to me, a vague and distant memory.



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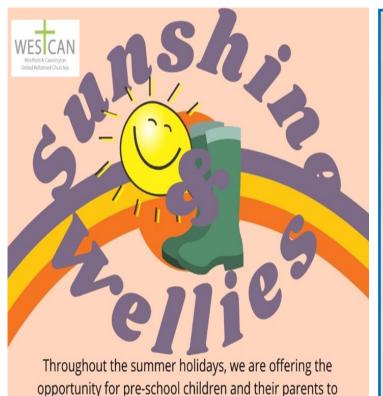
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to an open space in the village where the children will have an opportunity to play in an open space.

Dates&themes:

Thursday 29th July - We're going on a bear hunt!
Thursday 5th August - Noah's Ark
Thursday 12th August - The Gingerbread man
Thursday 19th August - No session
Thursday 26th August - David and Goliath (tale of the giant)

Suitable for pre-school, reception and yr1 children.
All walks begin by meeting at Cannington URC at 10am.
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I nearly didn't post this as it's a fence sieve



Quarterly Weather Report

April's weather was dominated by high pressure which brought us much sunny and dry weather, not the traditional showers; a daytime average of 14.1c was just a little above normal, however the 1.5c night time was well below.



We recorded nine air frosts, which is far more than we would expect for April. Last year there were just three. Rainfall was 31.2mm, just 60% of average. It is noteworthy that 24mm of this fell in one violent downpour across midnight on the 27/28th. I wonder how many were awake for this happening.



May certainly brought us a change in the weather pattern. It rained. Rain was recorded on twenty three days. The total of 95mm was 43mm above the average for May, however the annual total so far of 270mm still leaves us short of the 285mm average for the first five months of the year. Maximum and minimum averages of 16.0c and 7.8c were about a degree below normal in spite of some very warm weather over the late May Bank Holiday weekend.

There were no late frosts.

June's rainfall fell mainly in the second half of the month. 35mm of the month's 40mm total fell after the 15th. The wettest day was the 19th with 10.8mm recorded. The 310mm total for the first six months of 2021 is still 23mm short of the long term average. Some very warm weather mid-month and at the end gave us maximum and minimum averages of 21.5c and 11.7c, both of which are several degrees above average. The highest temperature was 27.4c on the 13th.

David Daggar

10 Freaky weather facts from National Geographic

- 1) You can tell the temperature by counting a cricket's chirps!
- 2) Mild autumn weather often means bigger spiders in our homes.
- 3) A heatwave can make train tracks bend!
- 4) About 2,000 thunderstorms rain down on Earth every minute.
- 5) A 2003 heatwave turned grapes to raisins while still on the vine!
- 6) A hurricane in Florida, USA, caused 900 captive pythons to escape.
- 7) In 1972, a blizzard dumped 8m of snowfall on Iran, burying 200 villages.
- 8) Some tornadoes can be faster than formula one racing cars!
- 9) Waterspouts, can make sea creatures rain down from the sky.
- 10) In 1684, it was so cold that the River Thames froze solid for two months.

Cannington United Reformed Church



BUT STILL OPEN!

Our church building is closed, but somehow we've managed to continue with many of our activities...

No Good Friday service

But we met on zoom and read poems and discussed the cross...

No Easter Sunday Celebration

But we erected a cross outside the church and decorated it with flowers...

No Lunch Clubs

But we took yummy Valentine biscuits and Easter Eggs to our Lunch Club members.

No Children's Church

But we organised an Easter Egg hunt found the village and gave out Easter Activity packs...

No weekly services

But we meet on zoom each Sunday at 10.00.we go into breakout rooms to discuss that week's topic, sing in our own homes and finish with coffee and chat.

We can also attend Lockdown Lounge every fortnight for quiet meditation...



If you are suffering from Covid depression, need any help or would like us to pray for you, please contact the Church office. We'll do our best to help.

Wemeet every Sunday at 9.45am via Zoom and have a family zoom church session every Sunday at 11am - We would love to see you there!

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Cannington Village Hall
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<u>Depending on Government guidelines, the Friendship Club will be</u> <u>re-opening on Monday 2nd August when we hope to greet friends old and new.</u> <u>Please take care and stay safe</u>

When we start again, join us **downstairs** in the Village Hall and enjoy a cup of tea/coffee and biscuits and play a variety of games such as: *Rummikub*, *Upwords*, *Dominoes*, *Sorry*, *Sequence*, *Chess*, *Draughts*, *Othello*, *Yahtzee*, *Cribbage*, *Back gammon*, to name but a few!

For more information please contact me, Sandra, on 01278 652 679 or Mobile Number: 07906 737 807



Vegetable Risotto

Put all the bones, leftovers and skin of a roast chicken in a saucepan with one onion (leave skin on), chicken stock cube and teaspoon of vegetable stock powder, one chopped carrot one stick of chopped celery.

Bring to the boil and simmer for 40 minutes. Strain in a fine sieve, putting all the waste wrapped in newspaper, in your food waste bin for recycling. Peel, chop finely 2 medium onions & 2 carrots. Sauté these in a large non stick saucepan/frying pan, in a tablespoon of butter or vegan spread for 10 mins. Add 350 g (12 oz) of risotto/carnaroli/arborio rice and stir to coat with the butter and vegetables.

Add a handful each of sliced green beans, courgette, broccoli florets with 4 tablespoons of peas. Season with pink salt and black pepper. Have 1.2 ltr (2 pints) of chicken stock on a low simmer. Add a ladle of hot stock and stir in each time to prevent sticking. This will take 20-30 minutes stirring the rice each time.

When the rice is cooked (just resists your teeth). Serve immediately on hot plates with a knob of butter/vegan spread and tablespoon of grated cheddar/parmesan/grana Padano cheese. Consistency should be like a rice pudding.

Catherine Nightingale 10.7.21

1st August International Owl Awareness Day
4th August Sea Serpent Day
9th August is National Rice Pudding Day
10th August International left-handers Day
13th International Orangutan Day



DUST IF YOU MUST

Dust if you must, but wouldn't it be better To paint a picture or write a letter, Bake a cake or plant a seed, Ponder the difference between want and need?

Dust if you must, but there's not much time, With rivers to swim and mountains to climb, Music to hear and books to read, Friends to cherish and a life to lead.

Dust if you must, but the world's out there, With sun in your eyes, the wind in your hair, A flutter of snow, a shower of rain, This day will not come around again.

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I recently received this email from Cannington Parish Council.

Somerset County Council asked for nominations for a Somerset Medal to honour the unsung heroes. Cannington put forward Alison as per the following citation

Citation for Revd Alison Waters

- When the lockdown first started the need for safe delivery of prescriptions was identified. Alison coordinated with Cannington Health Centre and delivered to the shielding patients around Cannington, Combwich and Stockland Bristol. Alison did the lion's share of these deliveries using the opportunity to keep in contact with those isolated individuals.
- Alison also set up Cannington Volunteers which gathered offers of help and matched them with those who were shielding or housebound and did shopping etc.
- As Chair of Cannington Combined Charities, Alison, with the Trustees, dispatched emergency grants to individuals and families in need due to the pandemic. Almost £1,000 was raised through a JustGiving page.
- A village foodbank was set up in The Rectory as part of a shared endeavour with the Village Agent. A freezer was borrowed and filled with ready meals from various sources. Other dried food followed and villagers were encouraged to contribute food as they were able to distribute it more freely than the Foodbank in Bridgwater where people need vouchers from Village Agents or Social Workers and can only have so many a year. Alison also liaised with the school and regular help was given to six families in Cannington. Alison also redistributed the 'Boris Boxes' (the weekly ones which went to those shielding) to those in need when the people shielding didn't need them. The food bank is still in use but winding down now that the children are back in school.
- Alison feels quite strongly that it was a team effort and that all of the volunteers especially Jo Pinel (Village Agent) and Gina Bryant (Cannington United Reformed Church) should be acknowledged for stepping up to the challenges brought by the lockdowns.
- Although this nomination is from Cannington Parish Council, it is fully endorsed by Otterhampton Parish Council and Stockland Bristol Parish Meeting.

Councillor David Fothergill, Leader of the County Council and one of the judges, says: "The number and quality of the nominations we received were quite astounding. It was humbling and immensely heartening to read so many stories of how people have responded so positively to the coronavirus crisis, putting others' wellbeing first and foremost.

On behalf of all the judges, I would like to thank everyone who put forward a nomination, and I would thank all the nominees for their incredible efforts. Awarding the medal shines a light on those who have done so much for their communities during the past very challenging year."

Congratulations to Reverend Alison Waters who was a deserving winner of the Somerset Medal, and to all the others who shared this prestigious award.



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2nd Sunday of the Month

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8.30am Fridays



Other Activities

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06.30pm Senior Choir

Fridays 9.30am Tiny Tots (term time)

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When is a weed....?

When asked to name a few weeds most gardeners would reply, Dock, Dandelion, Daisy or Nettle. Ask Joyce or me and we would say Double flowered Begonias!

Why you may ask?

The answer is simple, a weed is best defined as a plant in the wrong place.

Using this definition, we can easily justify allowing Docks, Dandelions etc. to flourish in the "wild meadow" areas of the garden. Here, most of them provide a rich source of nectar and pollen for the Bees, Butterflies, Moths, Hoverflies and other pollinating insects that we are trying to encourage. They also



have quite attractive flowers! Even the hated Ragwort has a place in our meadow as it is the food plant of the beautiful Cinnabar Moth.



The patch of Stinging Nettles provides food for a range of butterfly and moth caterpillars. We also need to provide safe nesting places in bee hotels, woodpiles and generally less tidy places away from view amongst the shrubs. That's what biodiversity is all about.

Now those Begonias and other large double flowered super bedding plants. We are all familiar with the rows of

these edging a lawn which is mown to "within an inch of its life". With weeds that are sprayed with nasty chemicals which harm the wildlife which survives in the soil. What do these do for wildlife? They don't produce much nectar or pollen so you won't hear the buzz of bees or hoverflies around them and you will certainly won't see butterflies visiting them or grasshoppers chirping under them.

How about the front lawn? What does it do for you? Do you sit out and have picnics, evening drinks, play croquet? We guessed not. So what does your front lawn do, other than look "pretty"

Until a few years ago ours was a typical example, lots of Daisies and Cat's ear and rather scruffy grass which we felt we had to mow every week. Now with the help of a few packets of wildflower seed and a "no mow till autumn" we have a meadow



with at least twenty different "wildflowers" and which buzzes with wild life. OK we can't sit on it but we never did so that's no loss, we have gained bit of biodiverse landscape which goes a tiny way to helping green our planet. We have also reduced our carbon footprint as we don't use much electricity mowing it.

Incidentally a count of the plants which had flowered in our garden till the end of May this year reached the impressive score of over 80. In fact, since Christmas Day 2020 there has not been a day when there have not been any flowers. Christmas Day 2020 was special as we had a Hellebore (Christmas Rose) which actually flowered on the day, the first time we can remember it happening. We wonder what this says for climate change.

We ask you to think hard about what your garden does for the good of nature and consider a bit of "re-wilding" to help the biodiversity of our planet for our Grandchildren and their grandchildren. **Keith Simms**



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I would like to start with a thank you to our staff team who have been flexible, creative and hardworking throughout a year of challenge and uncertainty, we are proud of them and grateful for all that has been achieved.

We come to school every day because of our amazing children. They have worked hard, maintained their sense of humour, shown resilience and respect towards their peers and adults alike. Primary school life is about so much more than academic learning and I consider it a privilege to work with and on behalf of your children.

Since Easter, we have been settling back into life in our bubbles and whilst we hear a lot in the media about 'catching up' and 'closing gaps', our primary focus has been to help pupils feel well, healthy and happy. This year we decided to explore some different topics and these include;

The Secret Life of Chocolate What a Show!

Dungeons and Dragons
Under the Sea
Truly Scrumptious
Reach for the Stars!
Kings and Queens
It's Magic!
Africa

Black History Superheroes

Children have created pieces of art, designed and made products, written for lots of different purposes, made clay sculptures, designed recipes, taken part in special days, met unusual animals, researched, coded, learned new PE skills, explored a range of religions, worshipped online, followed additional rules, grew plants, thought about others and so much more.

Mrs Mann and her team are currently improving the outdoor learning space in Ash Class and thanks to a donation from our PTA, donations of resources from the wider community and the pupils and staff in Ash Class, it is already beginning to look different. The aim is to complete the task ready for the start of next term.

So now, as I reflect on the year that has almost ended and think about the unexpected and challenging moments that have come our way, I am grateful that we are all safe, glad of the opportunities to challenge our thinking and thankful to have support from so many people beyond our school gate.

On behalf of our staff, governors, parents and especially our children, we wish you all a happy summer and can't wait to see what September brings.

Mrs Claire Nurse – Headteacher

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Tales from the Tower

So, it is back in the Tower but not as we knew it! It is lovely to be able to meet again and ring the bells, but we have had to put several safety measures in place



before we were able to do so. Before we go to ringing we all do a lateral flow test for everyone's peace of mind. We sanitise as we enter the church, we sanitise as we arrive in the ringing chamber, we sanitise every time we finish ringing, we wear our masks to ring, we open the window as wide as we can as soon as we arrive.

Opening the window sounds like a very ordinary thing to do, but in the ringing chamber this involves climbing up on to a large sill to reach the window. We also have to monitor the number of people in the tower and so can no longer invite people to "just turn up" on a Tuesday practise night if they are interested in learning a new hobby.

On one of the first weeks, it was like a glasses graveyard as ringing in masks wearing glasses was harder than we had anticipated, and two ringers lost their glasses simultaneously. In the interests of safety, we did check that they could see well enough to continue ringing. Having said all of that it has been really lovely to get back to ringing again.

It has also been very encouraging to read all the positive comments from local people who appreciate hearing the bells again so thank you for your support. If you would like to join us it is still possible, and as restrictions ease, hopefully, over the coming weeks it will get easier. At the moment it just means letting us know beforehand so that we can

keep everyone safe.

If you are interested in learning to ring, just get in touch with either Rev Alison or Mike Fackrell, our Tower Captain, so that we know who to expect and can plan accordingly.

Angela Underwood

BILL SUTTON



It is with great sadness that my Husband Bill Sutton died on 8th July 2021 aged 77.

He was diagnosed with lung Cancer in April 2021 and within a month it had spread to his brain, such a rapid decline.

We moved to Cannington from Oxfordshire in 1997 after buying Gurney Manor Mill in a very derelict state in 1993.

Bill's dream was to renovate an old watermill which he did over the years and put his whole heart into making it a lovely home and accommodation business and was still working on renovating up until April.

He joined the Parish Council and made many friends in the village.

I would like to thank all the friends in Cannington who have been very supportive to me and offering help.

Pauline Sutton





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Do you recognise this description of a memorable WI outing?

This report of a WI outing was recently found by Betty Edney who was impressed by the use of the English language. She's not sure of the date, maybe the 30's, 40's or 50's, so if this extract brings back any memories, could they let Betty or myself know.

The members of this institute had their annual outing on Tuesday. Seaton having been unanimously chosen by the committee as the place to be visited by charabanc, the party set forth punctually at 10 o'clock. A beautiful ride, via Taunton and Blagdon Hill through country lanes, where the hedges and banks were lined with giant foxgloves and heathland with bell heather, showing a lovely purple bloom, gladdened the eyes the greater portion of the way.

On arrival at Seaton, the important business of lunch was dispatched, the out-of-door picnic giving a zest to the appetite. Next came repeated photographing. Some adventurous spirits next went fishing; one member, an old hand at the game, initiating the new anglers so well that the party returned with a good haul of glistening mackerel. It was whispered that some found it a "giddy" operation after about an hour, but the braver spirits had a full two hours, and were still ready for more.

All met for tea, and after doing full justice to the very refreshing fare, groups were formed. Some went to Beer, some shopping and some, who had been previously considered the more seriously minded of the members, forgot their years and paddled like children when first venturing in the waves. A start for home was made about 7 o'clock, a slight halt was being made at Chard, where the late vicar of Cannington and his family greeted the party. Eventually home was reached about 10 o'clock, when a warm welcome was accorded the party.

ANON







Cannington WI has met outdoors during May and June and it was good to get back together again.

Providing Covid 19 rules remain as proposed from July 19^{th} , we have taken the decision to start meeting once again in the Village Hall in September. We have also decided to change our meeting times from evening to afternoon.

Therefore our first meeting will be held on Monday September 13th from 2.30 - 4.30pm in the upstairs hall.

Any lady who would wish to join us will be warmly welcomed. If you require further information please contact myself, Jean Fitzpatrick, President (652859), or Doreen Bunch, Secretary (653969).

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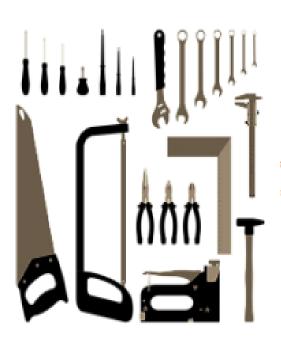
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PICK-UP POINT	HPC	HPC	HPC		
Bridgwater Bus Station	09.30		13.40		
Cannington Cemetery	09.45	10.45	13.55		
Combwich, Crossway Farm	09.49	10.49	13.59		
Stogursey, Acland Hood	09.59	10.59	14.09		
Nether Stowey, Poole's Close	10.14	11.14	14.24		
Nether Stowey, Castle Street	10.16	11.16	14.26		
Holford, Plough Inn	10.23	11.23	14.33		
Kilve, Hood Arms	10.28	11.28	14.38		
Doniford, Letterbox	10.37	11.37	14.47		
Watchet, Liddymore Rd. Shops	10.42	11.42	14.52		
Watchet, Wsr Rail Station	10.46	11.46	14.56		
Carhampton, Community Hall	11.04	12.04	15.14		
Dunster Steep	11.07	12.07	15.17		
Minehead Parade	11.13	12.13	15.23		
Minehead Lidl	11.07	12.07	15.27		
PICK-UP POINT	HPC	HPC	HPC		
Minehead Lidl	40.40	13.45	14.35		
Minehead Parade	10.10	13.55	14.45		
Dunster Steep	10.16	14.01	14.51		
Carhampton Community Hall	10.19	14.04	14.54		
Blue Anchor, Driftwood Café	10.27	14.12	15.02		
Watchet WSR Rail Station	10.37	14.22	15.12		
Watchet Liddymore Rd. Shops	10.41	14.26	15.16		
Doniford Letterbox	10.46	14.31	15.21		
Kilve, Hood Arms	10.55	14.40	15.30		
Holford, Plough Inn	11.00	14.45	15.35		
Nether Stowey Poole's Close	11.08	14.53	15.43		
Stogursey, Acland Hood	11.24	15.09	15.59		
Combwich, Crossway Farm	11.33	15.18	16.08		
Cannington Cemetery	11.37	15.22	16.12		
Bridgwater Bus Station	11.52		16.27		

A cement mixer has collided with a prison van - motorists are asked to look out for 16 hardened criminals.

George Trimble, Blackpool's longest serving deck chair attendant was better tonight after collapsing at work. It took 5 people 40 minutes to work out how to get him up.

The Prime Minister held a meeting with his cabinet today. He also spoke to the bookcase and argued with the chest of drawers.

West Mercia police announced tonight that they wish to interview a man wearing high heels and frilly knickers - their Chief Constable said they must wear normal uniforms. (Thanks to the Two Ronnies)







Out by 6am please, says SWP

Somerset Waste Partnership (SWP) is asking residents across the county to put their recycling and rubbish out by 6am at the latest from now until further notice.

The move will allow crews to start early if needed, making life a little easier when the weather gets hot this summer or other pressures make getting a flying start helpful.

Recycling, rubbish and garden waste should all be put out the night before collection days, or by 6am at the latest on the day itself.

Having scope for early starts gives SWP and its collections contractor SUEZ more options when planning how to keep on top of collections and deal with any special circumstances.

The national driver shortage and Covid-related heavier loads have seen crews working long hours and occasional weekends for much of this year. Recent weeks have delays to collections in some areas and SWP apologises for this.

Lots of work is being done to address the shortage, but SWP has warned that there is no quick fix and some disruption of services is likely for some time.

Any qualified Large Goods vehicle (LGV) drivers are urged to consider vacancies available at locations across the county. There are also loader roles to be filled and details for all vacancies can be found at:-

www.somersetwaste.gov.uk/job2021

The well documented national LGV driver shortage has been worsened by Covid-19 which has delayed training and testing.

EU drivers leaving the UK has added to the pressures, as has the driver demand created by recent reopening of non-essential retail.

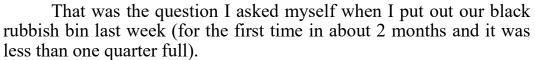
The recruitment of drivers and collection crews is especially difficult in Somerset because it is home to many distribution centres.

Please check SWP's website for updates at somersetwaste.gov.uk.

Has anyone else used WD40 to get rid of mice? It doesn't work but it stops them squeaking

1st August World Scout Scarf Day
1st August International Child Free Day
5th August International Beer Day
5th August International Bow Day
19th August National Soft Ice-Cream Day
21st August World Honey Bee Day
26th August International Bat Night

How close are we to ZERO WASTE?





We are all familiar with the weekly recycling collection of paper, cardboard, food waste, plastic bottles and glass bottles, an excellent service.....but what about all the other "waste" we produce, much of which **could be** recycled?

Here is some good news! Soon these weekly recycling collections will be increased to take in plastic pots and juice cartons (and takeaway coffee cups). That leaves us with lots of film plastic wrappers for food including crisp packets. Where can we recycle these? Sainsburys in Bridgwater!

Yes, as well as plastic carrier bags they are now collecting all types of food packaging, including pet and baby food sachets. By collecting these for a few weeks at home we can drop them off when we go shopping in Bridgwater.

A bit of careful planning and you will be well ready for the reduced black bin collections when they come.

Keith

Simms

(Thank you Keith for this information and your observations. There is also an interesting press release from Somerset Waste Partnership on page 34

Please support the environment and donate your unwanted good quality clothing, soft toys, shoes, belts and bags. Your donations will be re-used and raise funds for the children of

Cannington Pre-School & Cannington Primary School





If you have any questions/concerns about Bags of Help or you wish to report that the bank is full.Please contact BOHC Ltd either by phone or email.

Welcome back to Somerset libraries

Somerset libraries are getting ready to finally welcome you back and from April 12th your local library will be open for browsing again. With shelves crammed with some fabulous brand new books, there will be something for everyone, and did you know you can borrow up to 20 books at a time, all for free.

Essential Covid-19 secure measures are in place in every library. Social distancing, wearing a face covering and using hand sanitiser on entering our libraries will continue to be required. There will also be a limit to the number of people in the library at any one time. We will also continue to collect your contact details for NHS Test and Trace via the QR code or our booking system.

Monday: 9.30am to 5pm Tuesday: 9.30am to 5pm Wednesday: 9.30am to 5pm Thursday: 9.30am to 5pm Friday: 9.30am to 4pm Saturday: 9.30am to 2pm

Sunday Closed

From May 5th we will be reintroducing overdue charges and we encourage you to return or renew items which you have borrowed before or during lockdown. To check your due dates, access your library account at www.librarieswest.org.uk or use the LibrariesWest app. If you need help logging in, or have any queries about your loans, phone library staff at 0300 123 2224 or email them at librariesmail@somerset.gov.uk

Remember, all items are quarantined for at least 72 hours and will remain on your account until the quarantine period is completed; Items are backdated to the date that you returned them.

Somerset Mobile library 2021

Route G

Thursday

This schedule gives details of mobile library stops in your area. For information about this service, contact Somerset Direct 0300 1232224 or visit www.somerset.gov.uk/libraries

CANNINGTON				
Brook Street	09.30 - 10.00			
COMBWICH				
Harbour	10.15 - 10.50			
Combwich PO	10.55 - 11.20			
STOCKLAND BRISTOL				
Captains	11.30 - 11.55			
SHURTON				
Babbling Brook	12.05 - 12.30			
LUNCH	12.35 - 13.05			
STOGURSEY				
Greyhound inn	13.10 - 13.50			
Town Close (30)	13.55 - 14.25			
KILVE				
Hill Top	14.40 - 15.10			
26th August	21st October			

23rd September 18th November

16th December

You can borrow up to 20 items and books borrowed from the mobile library are issued for 8 weeks. DVDs and audio books are issued for 4 weeks for a standard loan charge.

You can renew items online, by phone, or on your next visit to the mobile library and if you can't find the book you want, ask the staff for help. If the book is not on the mobile, you can make a request and normal fees are charged for requests.

Our vehicle is accessible to wheelchairs and staff will help you get on and off the vehicle.

1st Cannington Scouts – The Future...?

As the current Covid restrictions ease, we, as the current Scout Leaders, have been looking to the future of the group and how we might be able to restart Cannington Scout activities, in the autumn, after this enforced break.



The pandemic has created several challenges:

- Most of our Scouts are now too old to continue. The group can only continue if there are interested young people aged between 10.5 and 14 years old
- There are changes in how Scouting as an organisation functions. Much of the organisation and responsibility is being devolved to local level. We need any future Scout parents and carers to be willing to commit to help the group have a dynamic and meaningful committee

We will not be able to continue as a group without this organisation in place.

• The present Scout leaders- though still willing and able – are nearly past their sell-by date and we must start to pass this mantle on to younger shoulders. We therefore need Adult volunteers who are willing to train to become Scout Leaders and once trained to take over from us to run the group.

Any restart of the Scout Group can only happen when we know that we can satisfy the above requirements so that the group can survive and grow. We hope that we can build the foundations to offer future generations of local young people the opportunities that Scouts can give. The three current Leaders can not do this alone, so assuming that there are young people who wish to be Scouts we need the adults to build a dynamic committee and be the next generation of Leaders.

Anyone who is interested in being an adult Scout Leader or would like any information about becoming a Scout and the help and commitment that we need from their parent or carer on joining, please contact me:

Andrew Taylor - Scout Leader - Email: theoldscout@hotmail.co.uk

Volunteer for Somerset Sight

Do you have a few hours a week free to support a person living with sight loss in your community?

We are urgently seeking volunteers for our Volunteer Visiting Service to offer companionship and support. Our flagship service has been matching people across the county for the last 20 years.

By becoming a volunteer, you can assist a visually impaired person to safely leave their house and enjoy all the local environment has to offer.

Volunteer Visitors help with a variety of things, such as:

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Reading and correspondence
Making and accessing appointments
Going out for a drive and a cup of tea

With the support of Hinkley Point C Community Fund, we are looking to recruit more Volunteers in Bridgwater and surrounding areas.

Somerset Sight offers full training and support and covers all reasonable expenses.

Call us for an informal chat on 01823 333818

Kindest Regards, Michele Edmonds (In House Volunteer Co-Ordinator)



We are always looking for help to put a show together, so if you enjoy sewing, painting, or building props to name a few, and would like to help out then please contact us via our Facebook page

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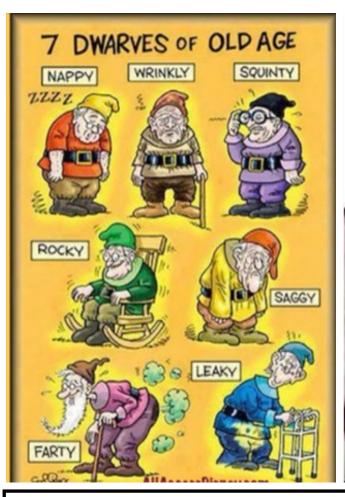
IT PAYS TO COMPARE

I was recently sent my renewal quote for my house insurance and to my horror it was double last year's quote. When I finally got through to them on the phone and queried the high cost I was told that my house was in a high risk area for flooding. I politely pointed out that over £4.5million was spent in 2017 on a flood alleviation scheme which had proved to be very successful. The salesperson said they could only quote on the information they had on their maps.

Not to be deterred, I went on to a comparison site and after several false starts, (they all seemed to have the same map!) I found some more companies whose quotes were more reasonable and settled for one that was similar to last year's.

So be careful, always check with the company how they arrived at that figure and now, with modern technology (!), it's easier to compare companies and save money in the process.

Clive Boucher



Did you hear Julie Andrews will no longer endorse cheap lipstick? It crumbles easily and makes her breath smell. She explained, "The super colour fragile lipstick gives me halitosis."



Do married people live longer than single ones or does it only seem longer? If quizzes are quizzical, what are tests?

If corn oil is made from corn, and vegetable oil is made from vegetables, then what is baby oil made from?

If electricity comes from electrons, does morality come from morons?



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Cannington Parish Council.



The Parish Council has held its last three meetings in person, after the temporary legislation to hold meetings remotely expired. We have gradually been getting back to 'business as normal' and with the restrictions due to be removed on 19th July it will be all steam ahead for the summer.

Brook Street Bus Shelter

As reported in the last edition of the Target we are looking to replace the bus shelter. We have been out to tender and it will be replaced in the near future. It is of a similar design but with panels of toughened glass instead of Perspex, it will also include a perching bench.

High Street Bus Shelter

We are disappointed that once again the shelter has been victim to graffiti artists. It is has had a thorough clean and been repainted. It was brought to our attention by the decorator at the Alms House that someone had been climbing on the roof and damaged some tiles. In total there were 27 broken tiles which have now been replaced. We are extremely pleased with the new look of our bus shelter.

Please inform the Parish Council if you notice any further vandalism.

High Street Phone Box

The missing panes have been replaced and the phone box repainted courtesy of BT. We are fortunate that it is a Grade II listed building and therefor BT is obliged to maintain it.

Speeding traffic

As a result of residents of Cannington highlighting the issue, the police have carried out speed checks in the village and on the bypass and the results were staggering, A vehicle was clocked at 90mph in a 40mph zone and another clocked at 60 mph driving through Cannington in a 30mph zone. Also, a number of vehicles were caught overtaking on double white lines on the bypass.

We have recently taken delivery of a Speed Indicator Device which will be used in 3 locations in the village, Brook Street by Jubilee Gardens, High Street by the Army Cadet hut and on Rodway as you leave the village. This will not only advise drivers of their speed but will also record speeds of all vehicles. This information will be passed on to the Police so they target the right times of the day when doing their speed checks.

Cannington Neighbourhood Plan

Thank you to everyone who took the time to comment on our Neighbourhood Plan. The Regulation 14 consultation has now closed. We will take note of your comments and revise the Plan where necessary, in readiness for the next stage of the consultation.

Pavilion and playing fields

The refurbishment of the pavilion is now complete, including the equipping of the kitchen. We will be arranging an Open Day to allow you to see the improvements that have been made and to discuss ideas for the future use of the playing fields.

Cannington in Bloom

We would wholeheartedly like to thank the members of Cannington in Bloom and their volunteers who made a tremendous effort this year in making the village look really beautiful. The judging took place on 6th July and the judges were extremely impressed with the floral displays and how neat and tidy the whole village looked. This doesn't happen overnight and a lot of hard work and planning went in to achieving this. We must make special mention to Councillor Ian Dyer for all his hard work and who volunteers for everything, we don't know where he gets his energy from! David Greenslade and his staff at Greenslades Grounds Maintenance also deserve a mention as do Clean Surroundings at SDC who not only work hard throughout the year making our village a lovely place to live but made a special effort to make the village look even better on 6th July. A huge thank you to everyone involved.

Jubilee Gardens Wall

Planning permission has finally been granted for the new wall to be built. By the time the Target is distributed the wall should be under construction.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Central Weekend June 2022

The Queen will become the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee. A number of events across the weekend of 2.6.22 to 5.6.22 will be planned including a chain of beacons on 2.6.22. If you are interested in forming a sub-committee to plan an event(s) for Cannington, please contact Robin Phipps or the parish council clerks.

More information regarding the events can be found in a letter from the Pageantmaster detailing the activities taking place, on page 61.

Emergency Contact

For all emergencies including flooding (emergency flood phone no longer in use) please contact; Colin Allen 07799 451577, Ian Dyer 07740 076675,

David Greenslade 07850 367994 or Mike Phillips 07746 973419

Finally, it would be appreciated if you have any non-emergency matters that you wish to report or discuss to contact the clerks in the first instance by email or phone (answer machine checked twice a week).

Tina Gardener, Clerk and Aly Prowse, Deputy Clerk Mondays and Thursdays 10am to 12pm Community Room, Cannington Village Hall, Brook Street, Cannington, TA5 2HP 01278 653322 or cannington.org.uk

or www.cannington.org.uk

10th October World Porridge Day
9th April International Gin and Tonic Day
3rd October National Grandparents day
19th September World Talk Like A Pirate Day
10th September World School Milk Day
1st October International Day of Older Persons

Thank you to everybody who sent in a caption for this picture. I had over 30 responses which is brilliant, but sadly I haven't room to print all of the captions so here are some of the more creative ones. Apologies to those I've not included.

(Shaun, Editor)



Could you send a fitter, my wheel has fallen off (Tony Harris)

When listening to the New Christie Minstrels, the wheel fell off my wagon (Barry Lukins)

The super glue didn't work mate (Claire Ridgment)

Not sure this unicycle is quite right (Carole Taylor)

Don't look down! (Jane Tarr)

Hello! Is this the Bicycle Chain? (Carol Ward)

Hi Boris, Matt here - are you sitting down? (Steve Payne)

Ambulance please (Claire Atknison)

Wheel I didn't notice that! (Beris White)

Just keep peddling, just keep peddling (Gemma Cooper)

It's all about recycling...not quite the unicycle I wanted (Lena Tucker)

Sorry mate, gotta go, I've just been overtake by a moron (Kim Cook)

Got to go now.... I'm in real trouble (Clive Boucher)

Yes, my wheel has come off, wheelie it has (Wayne Ryall)

For fork's sake (Pops Ja)

Hello, is that Vera Lynn? Wheel meet again, don't know where, don't know when

(Adrian Woodcock)

Hey Siri! Best way to stop when you've lost the front wheel of your bike (Jane Cross)

You 've picked a fine time to leave me loose wheel (Wayne Stone)

Oh Wheely! I don't believe it (Sue Wand)

Couldn't afford a unicycle so modified my mountain bike (Nicki Berridge)

This is great, the seat fell off too (Debbie Gardener)

I wheely can't talk now Boris (Debby Russell)

I wheelie wasn't expecting that (Lisa Weaver)



your creative skills and write a caption for this photo?
A selection of your answers will be revealed in the November edition of the Target.

Cannington Christmas

The trees will shortly be ordered to again make our beautiful village sparkle with Christmas cheer with the usual Christmas trees and light displays throughout December. (I know it's only August but you have to order early!)

However, we need volunteers who are willing to organise and run our usual light 'switching on' event and street fair this year. It would be good to form a team who can work together to ensure all runs smoothly and spread the load.

If you would be interested please get in touch by phone 653572 or email kateslade@btopenworld.com

CANNINGTON COMBINED CHARITIES

The above Charity exists for the benefit of Cannington residents who need a helping hand.

You do not need to be on benefits, perhaps you fall into the catch 22 category where you have a little savings, enough not to claim benefits but not enough to buy those essential items that have worn out or maybe you have to turn your heating off because of the fear of a large heating bill.

If the above applies to you, please ask for an application form from:

The Rector Rev Alison Waters at the Rectory (652953) or the Clerk Linda Anniss, 4A Gurney Street. (653256).

The Trustees consider all applications in the <u>strictest confidence</u> and no information is in the public domain.

Examples of the help we give are: School trips, clothing, heating bills and replacement of necessary electrical equipment etc.





SHAUN IS LOOKING FOR SOME SIMPLY, STUNNING, STUPENDOUS, SCINTILLATING SOLUTIONS TO THE QUARTERLY QUIZ

Thank you to everybody who took part in this quiz,

Congratulations to Brenda Knight who is the winner of the May quiz and she wins a £20 voucher for The Village Bakery (Answer P49)

This quiz is a bit trickier - the answers to questions 1 - 9 will have a connection and I need to know what connections them.

- 1. Which actress wrote and starred in both *Gavin & Stacey* and *Stella*?
- 2. Which is the only surname shared by a British Prime Minister and an American President?
- 3. What does the W stand for in George W Bush?
- 4. Which actor is best known for playing Jamie McCrimmon in *Doctor Who* and Joe Sugden in *Emmerdale Farm*?
- 5. HBO is the TV network responsible for *Game of Thrones*, *The Wire* and *The Sopranos*. What does HBO stand for?
- 6. Which darts player was the first to achieve a televised 9 dart finish?
- 7. Which Guernsey surname was given to somebody who measured land?
- 8. Which is the highest mountain in England?
- 9. Which entertainer is best known for his double act with Chesney Allen?
- 10. What's the link between the previous 9 questions

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BLACK POPLAR



The photograph on the left is that of the sapling that was grown as a cutting from the old black poplar that had stood proudly in the Jubilee gardens for many decades. When researching the tree I found some emails sent in 2014 that described the poor condition of the tree and that for safety reasons, recommended it be felled. Cuttings were taken at the time and the result can be seen in the gardens. Sadly, it can also be seen that somehow, it has been damaged. However, it is hoped that the sapling will recover.

According to the Forestry Commission, black poplar is the most endangered native timber tree in Britain.

In fact, there are so few wild black poplars left that it is unlikely they will pollinate each other.

Instead, the large numbers of cultivated trees pollinate them resulting in no regeneration of true, wild black poplars. In addition, poplar species are prone to a variety of fungal diseases including cankers, leaf rusts and poplar scab.

Value to wildlife

Black poplar is the food plant for the caterpillars of many moths, including the hornet, wood leopard, poplar hawk and figure of eight. The catkins provide an early source of pollen and nectar for bees and other insects, and the seeds are eaten by birds.

Uses of black poplar

Black poplar wood is fine textured, soft and almost white in colour. It is naturally springy and resistant to shock. Traditional uses included cart wheels and wagon bottoms. Because of its natural fire resistance it was often used for floorboards, especially in the days of paraffin lamps. Black poplar can be coppiced or pollarded and was therefore a popular source for thatching spars, bean sticks, clothes pegs and woven fruit baskets. Today, hybrid black poplar timber is used to make artificial limbs, wine cases, pallets, shelving, bowls and toys.

Mythology and symbolism

According to Greek mythology, the black poplar was created after Phaeton's fatal attempt to drive Apollo's chariot. Phaeton's sisters made such a fuss mourning his death that the gods transformed them into black poplars. It is also said that fallen red male catkins are Devil's fingers, and bring bad luck if picked up. (Shaun - Editor)





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First Brownie meeting after lockdown

The river walk and treasure hunt

It was the first time in ages seeing all of the Brownies again and looking at their faces made me smile, they looked very joyful and most of them were chatting excitedly about being back together again. That evening we paired up then set off for adventure..... We were going to go past the River Parrett to go to Combwich. I saw the bench that oversees the River Parrett, it's called Ebb & Flow because the river flows and Ebb means recede. After a long walk through tall grass, stoney paths and mild weather we finally made it to Combwich where our parents picked us up.

The next week following was supposed to be raft racing in the Brook, but it was cancelled because the rain filled it up too much and made the water flow too fast, so we couldn't race our rafts. Instead of the rafts we did a treasure hunt that Batty owl set up for us. We each had the same partners from last time, we got a tick sheet and pen. The goal was to find all of the Disney character pictures all randomly placed all over Cannington, on each picture was a letter. We had to write down the letters on the sheet and I had a head start because I saw 2 pictures on the way to the Brook, where the Brownies started the hunt. Near the end of the Brownies session most of us found the last letter, which was a number and the letters [and number] spelt 1st Cannington Brownies. At the end we played a few games like tag and stuck in the mud, then walked back to the Brook where Brown owl said: "next week we might race our rafts".

Edie Payne



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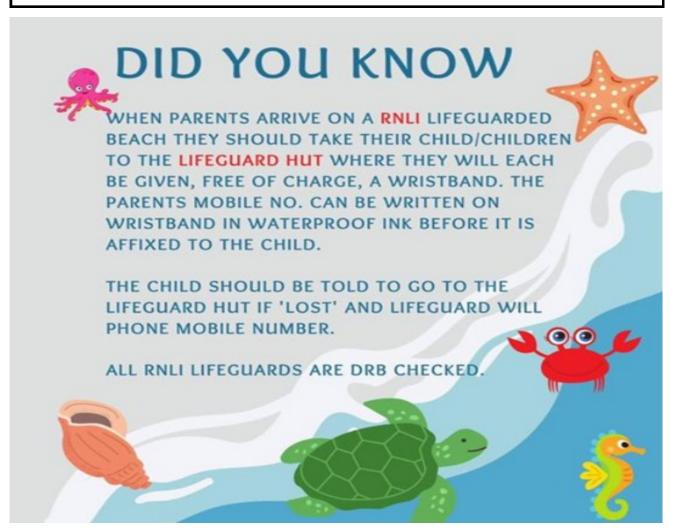
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The Chief Executive of Children's Hospice Southwest (CHSW) is calling on people to continue to support "vital" local hospice care for children and families. Eddie Farwell, who co-founded CHSW with his wife Jill 30 years ago said, "lifeline support for Families is as important in 2021 as it was in 1991."

"The need for children's hospices will never go away and it has never been more vital given how much these families have had to endure during the pandemic" said Mr Farwell, whose two eldest children Katie and Tom both had life-limiting illnesses and died before adulthood.

In the last 30 years, CHSW has supported more than 2,000 families at its three children's Hospices - Little Bridge House in North Devon, Charlton Farm in North Somerset and in Little Harbour in Cornwall - care that has continued throughout the pandemic.

In the first 4 months of 2021, the charity was able to provide 737 Covid safe day and overnight stays in its hospices. Care teams also made 447 visits to families in their own homes, as well as 2441 virtual contacts with families.

Mr Farwell said lots had changed since he and his wife launched their £1million appeal to build the South West's first children's hospice in May 1991, but the charity's ethos to put caring for families at the centre of everything it does remained the same. "we are providing a specialist medical service and it's about keeping families together and accompanying them on an often long, long journey in many, many cases" he said. "many more children are I iving with significant levels of disability and the technology that has developed to support them, means that the care we provide is not only more needed, but it becomes more technical. The numbers have grown tremendously, the complexity has also grown tremendously, and consequently it is a very expensive service to run"

CHSW needs around £11m a year to run its hospices, and around 85% is raised through voluntary donations. "it has been a tremendous journey and so many children and families have been helped along the way, work that would not have been possible without the continued generosity of ordinary men and women, boys and girls in communities around the South West, and the love they exude for children and families where the child is going to die before adulthood" said Mr Farwell " and while we are aware of the economic impact of this wretched pandemic and its long term effects on our community, we hope people will do whatever they can to stand with us in 2021 and continue to help us make the most of short and precious lives"

If you would like further information on how to help Children's Hospice South West, please contact Jean or Colin Fitzpatrick on 652869 or visit their website www.chsw.org.uk
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Sent: 29 June 2021 12:33

Subject: [OFFICIAL] - TV Licensing - Over 75s June Update

Forwarded for information/inclusion in community magazines.

The <u>figures published today</u> show more than 9 in 10 over 75 households have now made arrangements for a free/paid licence or updated us on changes in their circumstances. This is in line with the broader UK population - the overwhelming majority pay the licence fee and enjoy the great programmes and services the BBC provides on TV, radio and online.

We have now reached a situation where over 75s households are in line with the general population, the extended transition period we put in place due to Covid will end on 31 July 2021 and in line with general policy, anyone who watches or records live TV programmes on any channel, or downloads or watches BBC programmes on iPlayer, must be covered by a valid TV licence.

We will be writing to the remaining 260,000 customers who haven't yet made the necessary arrangements.

(The following is an extract from the letter)

"It's a legal requirement to be covered by a TV Licence; to watch or record TV programmes live on any channel or device; stream programmes live via an online TV service; download or watch BBC programmes on BBC iPlayer. If you do not make arrangements before your current licence cover is cancelled, you will no longer be licensed to do these things.

Please set up your licence before 31st July 2021. The cost of a colour licence is £159.00. You can pay this in one go or spread the cost. We can help you set up a new licence, just call 0300 790 6151. Our advisers are trained to help you find the way to pay that works best for you. Or you can visit tvl.co.uk/75pay

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Moving forward, we will continue to support older customers as much as possible. This will include customer care visits for those who require further assistance. These were promised at the beginning of this process but can now take place, subject to any further Covid-19 restrictions, and will begin in the autumn. In July we'll also be contacting licence holders regarding their annual renewal.

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Regards,

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The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Central Weekend 2022

In 2022, Her Majesty the Queen will become the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee, seventy years of service, having acceded to the throne on 6th February 1952 when Her Majesty was 25 years old.

There will be year-long Platinum Jubilee celebrations throughout the UK, the Commonwealth and around the world as communities and people come together to celebrate The Queen's historic reign

An extended bank holiday, from Thursday 2nd to Sunday 5th June, will provide an opportunity for communities and people throughout the United Kingdom to come together to celebrate the historic milestone. Across the four days the celebrations will include public events and community activities, as well as national moments of reflections on The Queen's 70 years of service.

Thursday 2nd June - *The Queen's Birthday Parade (Trooping the Colour)*: Over 1,400 parading soldiers, 200 horses and 400 musicians will come together in the traditional Parade to mark The Queen's official birthday, usually held on the second Saturday in June.

Platinum Jubilee Beacons: The United Kingdom's long tradition of celebrating Royal Jubilees, Weddings and Coronations with the lighting of beacons will be continued to mark the Platinum Jubilee. Beacons will be lit throughout the United Kingdom,

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Friday 3rd June - Service of Thanksgiving: A Service of Thanksgiving for The Queen's reign will be held at St Paul's Cathedral.

Saturday 4th June - *The Derby at Epsom Downs:* Her Majesty The Queen, accompanied by Members of the Royal Family, will attend the Derby

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Platinum Party at the Palace: The BBC will stage and broadcast a special live concert from Buckingham Palace that will bring together some of the world's biggest entertainment stars to celebrate the most significant and joyous moments from The Queen's seven decade reign

Sunday 5th June - *The Big Jubilee Lunch*: Every year since the idea began in 2009 The Big Lunch has encouraged communities to celebrate their connections and get to know each other a little bit better, coming together in a

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The Platinum Jubilee Pageant: A pageant featuring over 5,000 people from across the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth will take place against the backdrop of Buckingham Palace and the surrounding streets. It will combine street arts, theatre, music, circus, carnival and costume and celebrate the service of Her Majesty's reign, as well as honouring the collective service of people and communities across the country.

More information on these activities can be seen in a 28 page guide which can be found on the website: www.queensjubileebeacons.com

Due to the fact that this is likely to be the last chain of Beacons to be lit in the reign of Her Majesty The Queen, we would like to make it the largest and the most dramatic the world has ever seen, so your valuable assistance throughout **Somerset** in helping us achieve this would be appreciated. I would be grateful therefore if you would kindly distribute the above at your earliest convenience please, to ensure those wishing to take part have plenty of time to make their plans. My warmest regards,

Bruno Peek LVO OBE OPR (Pageantmaster) Email: brunopeek@mac.com



Cannington Village put on its best floral displays for The Royal Horticultural Society's South West in Bloom competition!

Judges visited on Tuesday 6th July 2021 and were treated to a guided tour round the village, which looked beautiful! The judges were welcomed to the village at Blackmore Farm by kind permission of Ian and Ann Dyer, before being shown a range of stunning displays and sustainable planting created by the Cannington in Bloom volunteers and students of Brymore Academy under the guidance of Teacher, Mrs Fiona Stanley. The Brymore students grew all the edible plants in the barrier baskets and used compost produced at Brymore.

The beautiful display at the corner of Bowling Green was designed and

planted by volunteers of the Walled Gardens of Cannington! The children at the Pre School enjoyed showing the judges their wellington boot planters and all the interesting vegetables they were growing! The children had fun showing their gardening skills to the judges. Thanks to Mrs Emma Nurse and staff. The beautiful planters and hanging baskets in Church Street grown and nurtured by Mrs Sue Wand and the colourful pots and containers in the Snicket tended lovingly by Mrs Jane Tomaney, brought a splash of colour on the route.



Steve Pettitt, acting chair of CiB, thanked everyone involved for all their hard work and commitment to enhancing the village environment. The tour finished with



a visit to the stunning Walled Gardens of Cannington and well-earned refreshments at Cannington Court, courtesy of EDF.

Big thanks to all the CiB volunteers for all their hard work and dedication! Thanks also to everyone in the village who helped in a variety of ways: by kind donations to CiB, by picking up litter, by tidying local areas, by sweeping and weeding and by sprucing up front gardens.

Thanks to Cannington Parish Council and to local businesses for their support, especially Ian Dyer of Blackmore Farm and Grace at the Rose and Crown, where CiB volunteers enjoyed refreshments after working around the village on Weedy Wednesdays!

The results of the RHS South West in Bloom competition will be announced in October. Fingers crossed for a great result for our fabulous village!! For more information about Cannington in Bloom, please contact Joan or Steve 01278 652273.



Like all voluntary groups, Cannington in Bloom needs more people to get involved in order to sustain and develop our work around the village into the future. We would appreciate some constructive feedback from residents to help us going forward.



- How can we attract more people to get involved?
- What would you like CiB to focus on?
- Are there any areas around the village that you would like to see enhanced or developed?
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The next best time for hedge cutting is the last week of September, allowing them to get a bit of green growth before the first frost in October.

Prepare new strawberry bed. Mornings: Weed & deadhead flowers. Evenings: Feed, water from your water butt, mulch, top up ponds with hose on fine spray. Chop 500g(1lb) tomato leaves, steep overnight with 1ltr (2 pts) water, strain & spray for aphids & red spider mite at dusk. Deter cats & slugs with chopped citrus peel. Hollowed out grapefruit & orange trap slugs. Use plain unprinted cardboard, be sure to remove the sellotape. Cover with 10 cm (4") compost as a mulch. Trim wisteria tendrils to width of your hand. Water new trees weekly, 15 ltr (3 gal) minimum. Order spring bulbs.



<u>September</u> - Sow swiss chard, winter salad leaves. Cut down wildflowers & leave cuttings for a week then it is important to remove them. This stops the soil from getting any nutrients from the cuttings. Trim hedges last week of the month. Harvest beans, marrow, courgettes, carrots, and autumn raspberries. Cut off summer fruiting blackberry and raspberries canes at ground level, tie in the new growth.

October - Sow broad beans & peas, wildflowers, garlic & onion sets. Harvest & store carrots in dry sand. On a sunny day, dig up all main crop potatoes, dry on the ground for a few hours, rub off loose soil and store in paper or hessian sacks in a dark

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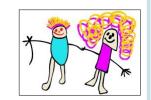
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6	3	5	1	9	2	4	7	8
2	9	4	3	8	7	6	5	1
5	6	7	8	3	1	9	2	4
4	2	8	9	7	6	3	1	5
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	Children's book characters				
1.	The very hungry caterpillar				
2.	The BFG				
3.	Barbar the elephant				
4.	The famous 5				
5.	Tweedledum and tweedledee				
6.	Pippi Longstocking				
7 .	Hermione Granger				
8.	Mrs Tiggywinkle				
9.	Rupert Bear				
10.	The fox in socks				

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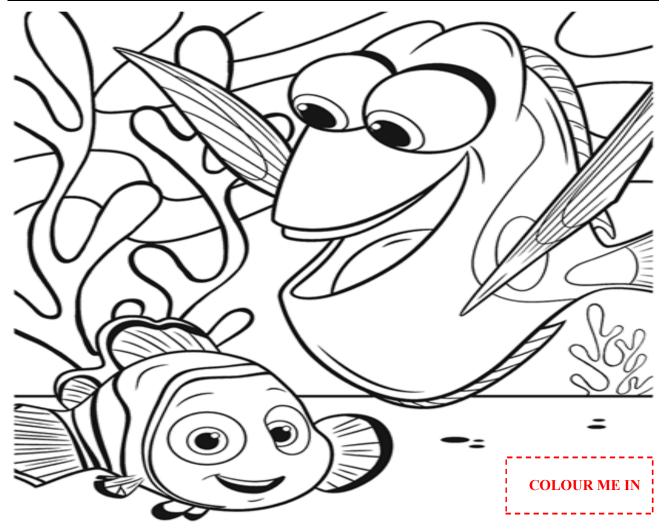
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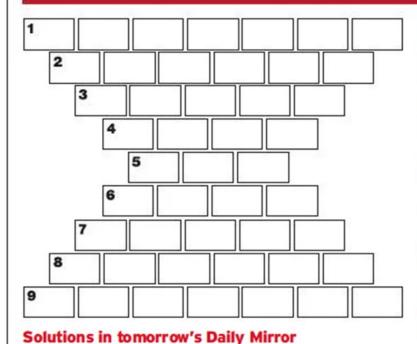
Children's Corner

1. How many legs does an octopus have?	
2. True or false? Mice live up to 10 years.	
3. What are baby goats called?	
4. What is the tallest animal in the world?	
5. Is a dolphin a mammal?	
6. In the nursery song 'The Wheels on the Bus' what goes 'swish, swish, swish'?	
7. 'Pure Imagination' is a song from which children's film?	
8. Which wind instrument would you associate with Scotland?	
9. 'The Bare Necessities' is a song from which Disney film?	
10. The ukulele looks like a small version of which instrument?	
11. True or false? A tomato is a fruit.	
12. What is the sweet substance made by bees?	
13. What food does the Giant Panda mainly eat?	
14. What is Harry Potter's favourite food?	
15. What are chips made of	



Adult's Corner

Brickwork



Enter the solutions to the clues in their numbered layers of the wall. Each word must be an anagram of its neighbours, plus or minus one letter.

- 1 Stayed away from
- 2 Entirely lacking in
- 3 Killed the Radio Star, 1979 hit for The Buggles
- 4 Propel oneself into the water
- **5** Compete
- Under the Sun, Agatha Christie novel
- 7 Tapenade ingredient
- 8 Intense shade of purple
- 9 Have more longevity than

EASY SU-DOKU

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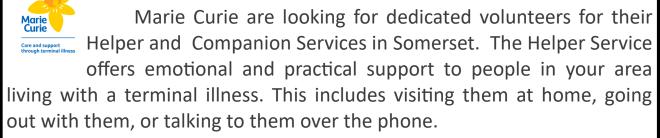
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