

# The Painswick Beacon

*Sine praeiudicio*

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## Victory for protestors on Mobile Phone Mast in Rec

Parish Councillors, acting as members of the Recreation Ground Trust, have decided not to go ahead with the proposal for a 17.5 metre mobile phone mast. The meeting in the end was an anti-climax, as councillor after councillor conceded that the argument in favour of the mast had not been well made, and that those opposing the proposal had been much better organised and persuasive.

The real drama had been at an earlier open meeting, when protestors had made their case alongside that of the consultants promoting the case for the mast. A petition of more than 500 signatures had been collected. Much of the argument concerned the proposed siting of the mast near to a children's play area. Amongst others, Dr Lizzie Duncley, who lives in Lower Washwell Lane, spoke on behalf of those opposing the proposal. She stressed that the effects on children's health of high levels of RF (radio frequency) radiation were still little known or understood. Some studies have shown potential links though between RF radiation and cancer, with children particularly vulnerable.



A 17.5 metre line of protestors on the Rec made their point about the height of the proposed mast

Others stressed the height of the mast, clearly rising above the tree line, as a major issue, and there was concern too about the nature of the ground in the area where it was proposed to be sited. Land here has been made up on the site of a former tip, and there have been problems of stability and slippage in the past.

Consultants Pegasus and Shared Access had little to offer in response and Cllr Rob Lewis said that the information they provided had failed even to convince that there would be any significant benefits in improved coverage for mobile phone users. Their coverage map suggested some limited improvements for users in the Sheepscombe area, but relatively little benefit in Painswick itself.

Arguments in favour of the mast were also hampered by the decision not to reveal the amount of money that the Recreation Ground Trust had been offered. There was speculation that the amount might be as much as a one-off payment of £30,000 in addition to an annual rental. That would have gone a long way towards the £100,000 that the Trustees need to implement the Play Painswick proposals for the area. Without this information though, nobody other than Parish Councillors could make a balanced judgement on the issues.

At the close of the Trustees meeting, Cllr Ann Daniels read out a prepared statement appealing for alternative help in raising the money needed to implement plans for the Recreation Ground, and saying that a Just Giving page would be set up. The positive response to this, suggested that there may yet be some benefit to the village coming out of what has otherwise seemed to be a very poorly handled proposal. Dawn Dart and Jess Hannah, parents of children at the Croft School, have already set the ball rolling with a fundraising 'Party in the Park' organised for Friday 9th June.

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## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS from the Council meeting on May 3rd by Mike Kerton

Reports upon meetings of the Parish Council cannot help but be selective, if only because of space constraints. We try to highlight points of widest public interest, based upon what we see and hear.

The full minutes of Council and committee meetings are available for scrutiny at the Council's office and on-line at the Parish Council's web site.

### PLANNING COMMITTEE

There were over twenty members of the public present who wished to discuss a letter that had been sent by Pegasus Group to local residents, concerning a proposal to erect a Telecommunications structure "a Mast" on the Recreation Ground. See separate report on page 1. At the conclusion of the discussion Chairman Rob Lewis opened the Meeting.

#### Apologies for absence

The Clerk, Roy Balgobin advised the Meeting that apologies had been received from Cllrs Ian James and James Cross. The Council accepted these apologies.

#### Matters Arising not on this Agenda

Chairman, Rob Lewis, advised the Committee of a site Meeting held on the 26th April at Catbrain Quarry, involving Meister Masonry, the District, County and Parish Councils plus the owners concerning work that had been carried out without the owner's consent. As a result the District Council had taken enforcement action on the 3rd May against Meister Masonry Ltd for the illegal dumping of waste and the felling of trees on land adjacent to the quarry.

#### Matters requiring a decision

There were eight matters requiring a decision:

- S.17/0586/VAR Meister Masonry Ltd, Catbrain Quarry. Variation of permission S.11/0369/OUT. Replace wooden fencing with Cotswold stone walls and alter landscaping. Unanimous support.
- S.17/0872/HHOLD and S.17/0873/LBC Clissold Farm, Sheepscombe. Interior and exterior alterations including erection of a new rear extension. Unanimous support.
- S.17/0874/HHOLD Eden Cottage, Cheltenham Road. Erection of lean-to entrance lobby and cloakroom. Demolition of existing. Unanimous Support, subject to the proviso that the development remained within the existing footprint to

ensure that the existing car parking space is retained.

- S.17/0890/LBC Wick Street Farm, Wick Street. Addendum to Listed Building Consent reference S.16/1165/LBC. Unanimous support.
- S.17/0727/FUL The Cottage, Bunnage Fields Farm, The Camp. New entrance and driveway from Camp Lane onto property at Bunnage Fields Farm. Unanimous support.
- S.17/0794/HHOLD Bryher, Cheltenham Road. Two storey extension to rear of property. Unanimous support subject to the Planning Officers ensuring that the proposed extension does not overlook other properties
- S.17/0894/TCA Southfield House, Vicarage Street. Copper Beech Tree in rear garden. Remove the lowest 6 or 7 branches to raise the canopy to approximately 6.5m to let more light into the garden beneath. Unanimous support.

### PARISH COUNCIL

The Clerk, Roy Balgobin opened the Meeting and explained that as it was the Annual Parish Meeting the first order of business was to seek nominations for the election of a Chairman. Cllr Rob Lewis proposed Cllr Martin Slinger which was unanimously approved. Cllr Martin Slinger then opened the Meeting and asked if any members of the public present wished to raise a question. Mr David Allott asked if the Parish Council would consider supporting an application for a "Sustainability Grant" from Cotswold Conservation Board for approximately £1,200. This would be used to cover part of the cost of restoring a thickly overgrown area of land between the boundary wall of "Beggars Roost" and Golf Course Road. A written letter of request will be submitted to the Council.

#### Election of Vice Chairman

Nominations were sought. Cllr Rob Lewis nominated Cllr Ann Daniels and this was unanimously approved.

#### Apologies for absence

Clerk Roy Balgobin advised the Meeting that apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Ian James, James Cross and District Councillor Julie Job. The Council accepted these apologies.

#### Committee Representation

Nominations were sought for Chairman of the various Parish Council Committees. The following were nominated and unanimously elected.

- Finance and General Purposes and Personnel Committee - Cllr Ian James
- Land and Buildings - Cllr Mike Fletcher
- Traffic - Cllr Abigail Smith
- Rural Environment - Cllr Ann Daniels
- Planning - Cllr Rob Lewis, Vice Chairman Cllr Mike Fletcher

Other Cllrs agreed to serve on the various Committees.

#### Nominations on other bodies

Various Cllrs agreed to act as a Trustee or representative of the Council on local Trusts, Committees and Bodies.

#### County Councillor's report

The local County Cllr was not present at the Meeting nor had a written report been submitted.

#### District Councillor's Report

District Cllr Nigel Cooper explained where all non -landfill waste went.

- Food waste goes to ANDigestion - Cheltenham to an Anaerobic in digestion process producing gas that is fed into the national grid and fertilizer for farmland.
- Paper and Card goes to Printwaste in Cheltenham
- Garden Waste goes to Cory at Hempstead, it's an open WINDROW composting that produces compost.
- Cans, bottles and plastics to MRF, PURE Recycling Warwick, part of the Kier Group

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## Responsible Financial Officer Report

Clerk Roy Balgobin presented the year end accounts to the Council. He apologised for one or two minor errors in the presentation but confirmed that the Accounts had been "signed off" by the Auditor who had commented positively on the work carried out by the Deputy Clerk, Irena Litton. The Council unanimously voted to adopt the accounts. Members of the public are able to view the year end accounts at the Town

Hall during normal working hours.

The Council then considered a grant application from 'Painswick Artburst'. They are part of Painswick Art Festival and are seeking a grant of £150 to help with the cost of setting up web site for the festival. The total cost is £3,000. The application was approved.

## Ward Reports

CLlr Abigail Smith thanked David Allott for his hard work in keeping the footpath along the Cheltenham Road clear of weeds. She also warned of possible traffic disruption caused by diverted traffic whilst part of the B4073 is resurfaced. Chairman Martin Slinger advised the Meeting that the blocked drains in Edge have been cleared.

The Meeting closed at 8.40pm



The Manager, Trustees and Friends are constantly exploring ways to expand appealing entertainment at the Painswick Centre. We now have stage performances, musical events, and the recent addition of Wick-Flix.

In May we staged Phil Beer, an acoustic guitarist and singer, who also commented about our good acoustics; Bollywood, an event provided by ACP, a Ceilidh hosted by Psalms, the play 'The Dumb Waiter' by Pinter, from the Drop of a Hat Theatre Company, and of course "United Kingdom", the latest in our film series. The size of, and facilities in, the Beacon Hall, with the audio visual system and full size screen, enable us to stage these events successfully. We are pleased to observe that attendances are increasing, but we would encourage readers who have not yet attended one of these events, to come along and see for yourselves. These events usually offer a fully stocked bar.

We would also like to say a huge thank you to all the people who came and helped with our clear out on the weekend of the 5th & 6th May. We managed to fill 3 skips!!! Without their help, we would never have gotten as much done.

Events coming up are as follows:

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|-------------------------------|--|
| 2nd June                      | Lion, an acclaimed film (see right)  |
| 16th June                     | The Dark Tales of Gloucestershire by the Spaniel in the Works Co.            |
| 7th July                      | La La Land (see right)   |
| 8th July                      | Acoustic Jazz and Funk evening by Lewis and Dav.                             |
| 17th August<br>– 28th August. | Artburst, including a wide range of activities that will be announced later. |

*Jennie Barber*



## Wick-Flix

The Wick-Flix team works with all our sponsors to make our community cinema just a little bit different and in May we were treated to a wine tasting by our sponsors, Woodchester Valley Vineyards. It's great to taste such good English wines, especially when they come from just down the road.

We have a great line-up of films scheduled over the next two months:

### Friday 2nd June Lion (Certificate PG13)

Dev Patel and Nicole Kidman star in this true story of a 5-year-old Indian boy, who gets lost and finds himself on the streets. Adopted by an Australian couple, he grows up yearning to trace his roots back to his home and family.

### Friday 7th July La La Land (Certificate PG13)

The musical won 6 Oscars earlier in the year. Mia (Emma Stone) and Sebastian (Ryan Gosling) struggle to make their dreams come true in Los Angeles; she, as an actress; he, as a jazz musician. What will win as fame and fortune beckon – their love or their success?

Doors open at 7.00pm. Screening starts at 7.45pm. Entry £6.00 (one price for all) including one free drink. Payment on the door. Best to come early to avoid disappointment as we have a finite seating capacity.

As always up-to-date information on what's coming up can be found on the Wick-Flix page at [www.painswickcentre.com](http://www.painswickcentre.com)

*David Chapman*

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# Painswick Feast 2017

## Sunday 24th September

The Painswick Feast on Sunday 24th September promises to be another great get-together in honour of the Feast of St Mary, Apple harvesting, Puppy Dog Pie eating, Teddy Bear Parachuting, Busking, Stall holding, Clypping, Morris dancing, Music Making and delicious Feasting.



This year we hope to have a small Novelty Dog Show including a "Best Tricks" class so this is just a tip off so you can get your mischievous mutts in training for the big day in September. Stallholder booking now - get in touch soon if you would like to take a stall or get involved with the busking or music making. Email [info@painswickfeast.org](mailto:info@painswickfeast.org) or tel. Iris on 812879

*Iris McCormick*

## Theatre Club

It is not an issue that is likely to divide Painswick residents but, always willing to learn, Theatre Club members travelled to Malvern last month to see the satirical comedy *Fracked! Or Don't mention the F word*. Overall this was a protest play and the superb script tackled issues like alternative life style, PR spin, conflict of interests and incentives. With jokes about the newly called election, Brexit and getting a seat on United Airways, it was entertaining, informative and thought provoking.

This month Members visited Oxford for the story of Christopher's journey to discover the truth about the killing of a neighbour's pet. Christopher has Aspergers Syndrome. It was not just the mystery which made this a brilliant piece of theatre, its biggest success was the skilful way it represented what it is like to suffer from a condition which means the world presents itself differently to you than almost everyone else. The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time took the audience deep inside Christopher's mind, and it was that journey that brought his story spectacularly to life.

*Ross Munro*

## Painswick Art Club

The Art Club enjoyed a tutored workshop with Mark Kelland, a local artist working in several media. On Tuesday, 9th May, he demonstrated watercolour techniques NOT using brushes and we had a couple of hours to see how we could incorporate them into a woodland scene.



As usually happens, everyone developed different ways of tackling this challenge; with varied results. But I hope we will see some of the results framed, on the walls, in the Painswick Church Rooms - perhaps in time for ARTBURST.

*Joyce Barrus*

## The Fibonacci Sequence

### Piano Trio brings musical delights to Painswick.



The third of Painswick Music Society's season of concerts featured the outstanding trio of Kathron Sturrock (piano), Benjamin Hughes (cello) and Daniel Piro (violin). Their polished playing and fine musicality delighted a capacity audience at St. Mary's Church where even the choir stalls were filled with appreciative listeners.

Achieving balance between the three instruments in a piano trio performance is notoriously difficult. Not only is the grand piano much more powerful than the stringed instruments, but the depth of tone of the cello can sideline the violinist. From the start of the lovely and reflective Schubert Notturmo Op 148, it was clear, though, that these fine musicians were able to project a canvas of sound in which the wide-ranging musical ideas were beautifully delineated.

In Mendelssohn's Trio in D minor, the wistfulness of Schubert was swept aside by the surging agitato of the first movement with the players taking turns to fuel the passionate flow of melody. The mood of the lyrical slow movement was impressively crafted and, in the following Scherzo movement, so typical of Mendelssohn, the joyful lightness and rhythmic precision of the playing took one's breath away. The optimism of the lively final movement was rounded off with great elan.

After the interval, we were treated to the great Archduke Trio by Beethoven, dedicated to Archduke Rudolf of Austria, a friend, patron and student of the composer. Here, the Trio struck a perfect balance between the classical structure of the work and an emotional expression of the musical ideas. The serene Andante movement took us through variations which unfolded in glowing colours, contrasting with the witty, dance-like Scherzo and the final movement, a jolly Rondo. The performers were thanked with enthusiastic applause.

*Reg Wrathmell*

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## The Cotteswold Naturalists Travel back in time to Avebury

You are invited to join the Cotteswold Naturalists on their visit to the World Heritage site at Avebury on Tuesday 4th July. In the 1930's, millionaire Alexander Keiller excavated the world's largest prehistoric stone circle which yielded a wealth of treasures, now displayed in a museum named after him. Along with the village of Avebury, its Manor House, farm outbuildings, and a church - hailed as 'archaeologically uncommonly interesting' by Pevsner - this is a visit packed with interest. The cost of the excursion is £32 and includes a guided tour of the site, all gratuities and coach travel, leaving Stamages Lane car park at 8.55 am. If not a National Trust member there will be an extra charge if you wish to visit the Manor House. A choice of café, picnic or the village pub for lunch, and plenty of free time to visit Avebury's other sights. For further details and to book, please contact Denise Magauran on tel. 814570.



## Roundhouse Lake Nature Reserve guided walk

Roundhouse Lake Nature Reserve near Lechlade, pictured below, is managed by Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust and forms part of the Cotswold Water Park. It is a wonderful example of how careful restoration of gravel pits results in a perfect environment for wildlife. The reserve has limited public access and our guided walk, led by the GWT warden on 12th June, is a rare opportunity to visit the reserve's wide range of habitats. At the time of writing we still have some places left. Pre-book by sending a cheque for £7 payable to CNFC to me.

Jane E Rowe tel 813228.



## Ozleworth Park Open garden

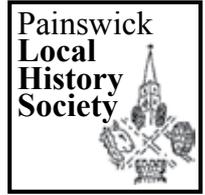
A reminder that there will be an Open Garden at Ozleworth Park, Wotton-under-Edge in aid of Stroud & District Citizens Advice on Sunday 18th June from 2 pm to 5.30 pm. Entertainment by Nailsworth Silver Band and Steel Band 'Panache'. Delicious Teas, Plant Stall, Raffle, Tombola (under cover if necessary!). Admission £5.00 Children under 16 Free. Ample free parking. No dogs (except Guide dogs), By kind permission of Mr and Mrs Andrew Stone

Denise Stride



## Celtic lady rouses worldwide interest

When Neil Holbrook and his small archaeological team began a dig on a derelict garage site on the outskirts of Cirencester in 2011 they did so without any great expectations. However, just below the surface they discovered the remains of about 70 people – a rewarding find indeed. Despite some problems with petrol leakages and gas levels, many sections were well preserved and the indications were that it was a 1st/2nd century cemetery. However, these were not normal graves as Romans at that time cremated their dead. There was also evidence of status, mainly grave goods such as an enamelled bronze cockerel figurine, one of the best ever found in Britain.



Returning in 2015 before new building started on the site, they found more graves – a final total of about 120. One large stone was initially ignored but once cleaned it began to excite great interest. The BBC came to film the lifting and, despite Neil's fear that it might be nothing, in fact the underside displayed spectacularly clear lettering naming a woman called Bodicacia, a Celtic name meaning victory. But there was a conundrum – the skeleton underneath was that of a man.

The top of the stone was elaborately carved representing the Roman god Oceanus. Obviously the stone had been moved but why and by whom? Maybe Christians who did not want pagan symbols perhaps. The placing of the stone over the grave was deliberate. This is unusual, but there were many unusual features and consequently many questions over interpretation. It has aroused worldwide interest and Neil's presentation was certainly outstanding – one which other Painswick groups may like to consider.

At the next meeting David Archard will give one of his fascinating presentations on a Painswick topic. Croft School, 20th June, 7.30pm. Everyone welcome.

Carol Maxwell

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## Yew Trees Women's Institute A penny for your thoughts

Alfred the Great's penny c880AD with its monogram "LVNDONIA" represents the start of the Royal Mint's long history. Members visited the Royal Mint on April 20th and through the exhibitions were able to trace the development of British coinage production from the Tower of London through to its present site at Llantrisant, South Wales.



Moving on to the factory we saw where the Royal Mint manufactures 90 million coins, blanks and medals a week. The first responsibility is to make and distribute UK coins and medals but it also makes these for about 60 different countries. Modern technology has enabled the new £1 coin to be produced with visible security features such as micro lettering and engraving, 12 sided shape, bimetallic composition and a hologram and other undisclosed methods to combat counterfeiting. Unhappily there were no free samples!

"Spring Flowers" was the theme for the monthly meeting on April 25th. Joyce Barrus gave a talk with a power point projection on our new wall screen. This illustrated the stages through which a botanical picture can be achieved. Joyce followed this up with a demonstration drawing spring flowers and tinting them with watercolour. Her knowledge of botany and her drawing skills gave a very professional result. In addition 5 members brought examples of the work that they had done in botanical art. The considerable talents that WI members have is very evident. Maggie Drake then gave a confident running commentary on her demonstration flower arrangement of spring flowers and encouraged us to try the same.

The next meeting will be on 27th June at 7.30pm in the Church Rooms when Mrs Alexandra Stanbrook will talk about "Hilarious Hats".

*Janet Jenkins*

## Sheepscombe Garden Trail Sunday, 2nd July, 2017

Organised by Friends of Sheepscombe School, this year's trail is up from 4 to 11 gardens. From 2 – 6pm, Entrance £6 Children Free. Sheep Hunt Sheet £1 Cream teas, raffle, plant sale, a bit of music. Park at: Village Hall or Bulls Cross. Steep slopes! Come in good footwear. No wheelchair access. No dogs.



*Sachi Hatakenaka*

## Painswick Artburst Festival The Painswick to be main sponsor

The Painswick hotel has been announced as the new main sponsor of the Painswick Valley Artburst Festival in August. It will provide a £300 cash prize for the best exhibit in the 'Aspects of Painswick' show and runner up prizes of hospitality at the hotel.



Jackie Herbert, organiser of the festival is enthusiastic about the sponsorship. "This is the first time we have offered prizes for exhibitors and we hope that this will attract more top rank artists to exhibit in the Aspects of Painswick show" she says.

The Painswick was voted the top hotel of the year by the Sunday Times after its complete refurbishment last year. Luke Millikin, General Manager says it is now attracting visitors from all parts of the country. He's happy to support such a lively and successful arts festival in Painswick and to help to attract attention to the remarkable artistic life here in the Painswick valley. The Painswick will be devoting a room to a sculpture exhibition throughout the Festival and displaying the winner of the 'Aspects of Painswick' competition in the hotel at the close.

The Painswick Artburst Festival is open to the public with free entry from Saturday 19th – Monday 28th August 2017. There will be three large exhibition areas for artists to display their works plus the nave of St. Mary's Parish Church. Other artists in Painswick village and in the Painswick Centre will have open studios during the festival.. The 'Aspects of Painswick' exhibition will be in the Church Rooms and St Mary's Church. Artists who would like to exhibit can still register for space on the web site [www.artburstpainswick.co.uk](http://www.artburstpainswick.co.uk)



Jackie Herbert and Luke Millikin outside The Painswick

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## Probus Club England's churches and Edith Cavell

On 26th April Philip Wilkinson revealed his long term interest in the fabric of England's churches, having been attracted initially by their architecture and later by the extraordinary range of objects he found inside many churches. John Betjeman dubbed the activity "church-crawling".



Illustrated by excellent images, Philip highlighted architectural features and the practical aspects of church construction. He also described historical links with individuals like the prisoner in the Civil War who left his mark in our own St Mary's Church and gave examples of interesting gadgets that may be found in churches.

"A Whisper of Eternity" was the title of a talk on 10th May by Peter Petrie to Painswick Probus on the life of Edith Cavell. Edith was born in 1865 in the Norfolk village of Swardeston where her father was the vicar. By 1912, Edith was busy managing several nursing schools and training hospitals. At the outbreak of the WWI, Edith volunteered to nurse the injured from all sides in Belgium. She became involved in the escape route for allied soldiers from occupied Belgium by sheltering them in her hospital, and was tried and shot by firing squad on October 12th 1915. After the war her body was repatriated with a memorial service in Westminster Abbey and burial in 'Life's Green' in the grounds of Norwich Cathedral where the young Peter Petrie would pass on his way to school.

*Henry Hall & John Wylde*

## Probus Women The life of George Vernon

One Man's Passion was the title of the talk given by Cherry Ann Knott on May 8th. It was a summary of the life of George Vernon, who was born at Haslington Hall in Cheshire, and in his early twenties he was determined to build a stately home in Derbyshire, on land he had inherited. He was a country gentleman, and not from an aristocratic background, but with lots of knowledge and meticulous planning, he achieved his dream. He was widowed three times, and each marriage brought considerable wealth, this enabled him to pay off his father's debts, and also to fund the building of the house known as Sudbury Hall. He was thought to have modelled the house on Crewe Hall, which was only 1 1/2 miles distant. He first had built a huge barn, which housed the workers and was used to manufacture materials for the house.

The house has a superb great staircase, fine long gallery housing family portraits, mostly by John Michael Wright, and contains murals and carvings and elaborate plasterwork by famous London designers and craftsmen. The building is now owned by the National Trust, to whom it was gifted by the family in 1967, and according to Cherry is well worth a visit.

Our June speaker is Julie Dolphin, the talk is titled "Behind the Scenes" Gardener's World. Visitors are very welcome, male and female.

*Sarah Taylor*

## Scaffolding bridge rises in churchyard

Many of you will have noticed that Loveday's House, (the former St Mary's vicarage) is undergoing renovation. Following extensive discussions and site meetings between the developers and representatives from St Mary's and the Diocese, St Mary's PCC agreed that one end of a temporary scaffolding bridge could be sited within the churchyard. The limited space in front of the property means that any 'traditional' style scaffold would block vehicular access to all properties beyond the site, which is unsafe and unacceptable.

The contractors have agreed to protect the tomb and ledger stones within the affected area as well as the churchyard boundary wall and the pillars by St Mary's Gate. They have also fenced off the area to make the scaffolding inaccessible and have put up signs to explain hazards to the public. The whole process has been looked into by St Mary's insurers prior to the contractors being given the go ahead, and the contractors will be responsible for making good any damage in the unlikely event of that being necessary. Access to the pathway will not be affected and the maximum time the scaffolding will be up is 20 weeks - hopefully less. Any queries can be answered by John Ward, who is the contractor in charge, on 01453 791725

*Chris Campbell*



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## News from St Mary's

The first Sunday in June, the 4th, is Pentecost or Whitsun, when we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit. The liturgical colour is red reminding us of the tongues of fire which descended on the apostles at the first Pentecost. There is a special unity service at Pentecost at 4.30 pm in the Roman Catholic Church organised by Churches together around Painswick to which all are invited. The following Sunday 11th June is Trinity Sunday when we celebrate the triune God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Messy Church will be meeting in the church rooms on Thursday 8th June at 3.30pm. It is encouraging to welcome so many families to these gatherings.

This month three of our churches in the benefice will be celebrating their Patronal Festival of St John the Baptist. They are Pitchcombe, Edge and Harescombe. There will be a combined Flower Festival Service to celebrate this festival at Pitchcombe on Sunday 25th June at 9.30pm led by Canon Michael Irving.

Usually ordination services are held at Gloucester Cathedral on either the last weekend in June or the first weekend in July coinciding with the Feast of St Peter and St Paul. This year the ordination will be slightly later during the weekend of Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th July. Further details will follow later.

*David Newell*

## Messy Church Thursday 8th June

From 3.30pm to 5.15pm in the St. Mary's Church Rooms, Painswick. Join us as we tell the story of the 'Lost Boy'. Enjoy some crafts, play games and have a delicious tea together.



Messy Church is a family event so all children should be accompanied by an adult.

Any queries please contact Fiona Gill: Mobile: 07771 513 382 or Email: [fiona.gill@psalms.uk.net](mailto:fiona.gill@psalms.uk.net)

*Sue Shaw*

## Invitation To a special Performance of Area Eight

St Mary's church room committee invite you to join them for a performance of Area Eight. A play written and performed by John Bassett of the Spaniel in the Works Theatre Company. Area Eight is an amusing often poignant look at the Civil Defence and ARP in the Stroud District (Area Eight) in the last world war. Special attention is given to Painswick

Hear the reaction of some Painswickians to the evacuees. Accommodation was not prearranged. The children stood in a line until someone offered them a home. The law dictated that anyone with a spare room must take in the evacuees. Hear about one enterprising local farmer who charged visitors to view a German Bomber that had been shot down on his land. The Civil Defence took their duties very seriously as there was genuine concern that the country would be invaded. This carefully constructed play includes slides and recordings of events leading up to world war two and has received excellent reviews.

The performance will be followed by tea and cake which is included in the price. Venue St Marys Church Rooms at 3.00 pm Wednesday 21st June Tickets £8. from the Benefice Office. By phone Nigel Burt (01452) 810935 or Janet Jenkins 812724. Proceeds will be donated to The Family Haven.

*Nigel Burt*

## Oriel Singers at St. Mary's Saturday June 24th 7.30 pm

St Mary's are delighted to be welcoming the Oriel Singers, one of Gloucestershire's leading amateur chamber choirs. With members numbering approximately 25 singers in total the choir specialises in unaccompanied choral singing.

The programme will have something for everyone! The first half is centred around William Byrd's Mass for Four Voices with other sacred works placed between each movement. These include Byrd's Sing Joyfully, Maurice Durufle's Four Motets on Gregorian Themes and two Russian settings. The second half shows off the lighter side of the choir's repertoire and ranges from madrigals to a selection of modern part songs, and finally some jazz arrangements bring the evening to a close.

Tickets cost £12 (free for children and students) and are available on the door. Please contact Brian Robertson on 01242 352419 for further details.

*Chris Campbell*

## The Pulse Leadership Academy

Come and celebrate what our young leaders have achieved over the past year at their Celebration Service on Monday 10th July 6.00 - 8.00pm. Beginning in St. Mary's Church, followed by games and refreshments for everyone at the Painswick Youth Club. For more details contact: Fiona Gill - 07771 513 382 or email: [fiona.gill@psalms.uk.net](mailto:fiona.gill@psalms.uk.net)

*Sue Shaw*

## Pentecost, Sunday 4th June

There is to be a Christian Unity Service in the Church of Our Lady & St Therese tomorrow at 4.30pm. The Service marks the Solemnity of Pentecost which brings the Easter Season to a close. The Service will be led by the Vicar of Painswick, Rev Mike Holloway. All are welcome.



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# Reviving Jazz Nights at The Painswick Centre

Local musicians, Lewis & Dav (Lewis comes from Pitchcombe) are restarting the highly popular jazz nights at The Painswick Centre .

The virtuoso jazz & funk duo have now booked the first of what will hopefully be many jazz evenings at the Centre, and invite you to join them on the 8th of July. All money received from tickets will go into funding future jazz nights there as well as getting local, national and international artists to play at the evenings. "If you like live music, jazz and keeping these types of events alive and local, then please come out and support what will be a great rebirth of a famous jazz evening", says Lewis. They also welcome suggestions of artists you would like to see at these events.

Tickets are limited so please contact Lewis & Dav via 07585 447868 or visit their website, [www.lewisanddav.co.uk](http://www.lewisanddav.co.uk) for more information.

You can also get tickets on the door if you don't get a chance beforehand. So if you enjoy laughter, if you enjoy live music and if you enjoy community centred local events, then the 8th of July should be going down in your diary as a night not to be missed. Doors open at 7pm and there will be free tea, coffee, cake and biscuits for all attending.

## County Council election

The new County Councillor for the Bisley and Painswick division is Keith Rippington (pictured right). The result of the election was as below:

Keith Rippington (Conservative)	2163
Alan Mossman (Green Party)	1230
Alex Findlay (Liberal Democrat)	964

The turnout was 46.1%. The balance of the Council after the elections is Conservatives 31, Liberal Democrats 14, Labour 5, Green 2 and People against Bureaucracy 1



## In the steps of Lord Grantham



Our 2 year wait to visit Highclere was well worth it. Not only did we walk in the footsteps of Lord Grantham and his family but we learnt that Highclere is the ancestral home of the Caernarvon's – of Tutankhamun fame! The views from both the house and garden were spectacular – it was easy to see why Downton Abbey was such a success.

On the 5th May we had a fascinating talk by Carol Holland on Nepal, a country famous for its high snow covered mountain peaks, the best known being Mount Everest. She had worked as a teacher, living in remote villages that seemed to cling to the mountain sides – only accessible by climbing steep paths. You needed to be a Sherpa to reach some of them!

What have we in store for June? We start with a change in our programme. On June 2nd Cyril Powell will be talking on First Aid – a very timely subject following an "incident" that happened to one of our committee members! The talk on Angel Voices will now be on July 14th. We are off on another outing on Thursday July 15th, this time to Frampton Manor, for a guided tour of the House and Gardens. the coach leaves Stamages Lane Car Park at 1.45 pm returning at 5.15 pm. Non members are welcome to join us, cost £21.00 – please contact Ann Williams 812344. We look forward to YOU joining us for our June programme.

*Mike Kerton*

## Watch out Painswick Increase in burglaries

The following are the reported crimes in the Painswick area as taken from the Gloucestershire Police web site.

### February

Burglary	Gyde Road	Under investigation
Burglary	Cheltenham Road	Completed -No suspect identified
Burglary	Butt Green	As above
Burglary	Upper Washwell	As above
Burglary	Stamages Lane	Under Investigation
ASB	Near the B4073	No details given
2 Burglaries	Painswick road near Portway	Suspect charged waiting trial

### March

Theft	Gloucester Street	Under investigation
ASB	Hyatt Close	No details given
Burglary	Kings Mead	Under investigation
Vehicle crime	Randalls Field	Completed- No suspect identified
Arson	Edge Lane near Edge	As above
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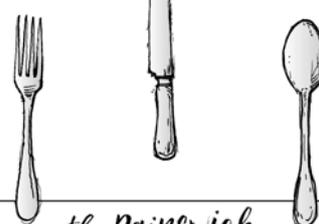
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## The all new St Michaels

Matt and Magda Black are very proud of the now fully open St Michaels restaurant and guest house – and rightly so. The carefully thought out refurbishment certainly justifies all the hard work involved and the new look is delightfully appropriate for the premises. The kitchen and restaurant have been enlarged and the latter now presents a change from the previously formal to a more relaxed style. It is more open. There is a lovely 17th century fireplace, discovered during the alterations, with a cosy woodburning stove for cooler days. The restaurant seats 25 and there are also tables and chairs outside.

Opening Wednesday to Sunday at 10.00am for tea and coffee, brunch is served from 11.00am and lunch from 12 noon. The menus are wide-ranging and diners can order as much or as little as they wish. As from June meals will be available on Friday and Saturday evenings too with standard service from a menu choice, and roast dinner is served on Sundays from 12 noon.

A small shop is cleverly integrated within the restaurant selling a range of goods, much of it locally made, including kitchen garden produce, eggs, flour, charcuterie, Cornish tea, cards, bags and aprons. All bread, cakes and biscuits served are home-baked. St Michaels also offers a take-away service including salads, schnitzel and focaccia sandwiches.

The business of course has two sides, the other being guest accommodation. This section too has been completely refurbished and each little suite offers a style of its own. Local Painswick artists including Nick Pike, Andy Lovell and Jane Garbett take turns to display their work on the connecting walls. This is Painswick at its best – local people supporting each other for mutual benefit.

With Matt as the chef, St Michaels has a full-time staff of five with some part-timers including occasionally young people from the National Star College for skills training. Do call in or telephone 812712, email [hello@stmichaelsbistro.co.uk](mailto:hello@stmichaelsbistro.co.uk) or visit the website [stmichaelsbistro.co.uk](http://stmichaelsbistro.co.uk).

*Carol Maxwell*



## Farming Today visits Painswick Radio programme features local bus service

Early risers in Painswick listening to Radio 4 may have suddenly pricked up their ears around 5.45 am on Monday 15th May, at the mention of Hollyhock Lane. As part of a series of features on election issues, Farming Today was focusing on rural transport and followed three Painswick residents as they took the Community Connexions bus into Stroud.

Lilian Hauting, who lives at Hyett Orchard, was first on. She explained the value of the bus, which picks people up from their own home, travelling to several villages in the area north of Stroud, before taking them into the town. The programme then featured Joyce Smith from Ashwell, who is now 90 and was born in Painswick. She finds the bus a huge help, taking it into Stroud every Friday when she can. As well as practical help with going door-to-door and carrying shopping, the service is a very sociable one.

Community Connexions, which runs the service, is a Cheltenham-based charity. You can find out more by ringing 0345 680 5029 or at <http://communityconnexions.org.uk/>. The Farming Today episode is available for a short period at <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b08q30r5>



Above: Lilian Hauting boards the bus.  
Below: The Community Connexions bus at Hyett Orchard

## General Election candidates

For the General Election to be held on June 8th, the following candidates have been nominated for the Stroud Parliamentary Constituency.

Neil Carmichael (Conservatives)  
David Drew (Labour)  
Glenville Gogerly (UKIP)  
Sarah Lunnon (Greens)  
Max Wilkinson (Liberal Democrats)

Painswick village residents vote at the Town Hall, where the Polling station will be open from 7 am to 10 pm



# Gold for Sue

## A strong message beautifully presented

Painswick garden designer, Sue Jollans, has won a prestigious RHS gold medal at the Malvern Show. However, this has been no ordinary achievement. Sue's garden had a very topical and somewhat controversial theme and it certainly stirred the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) because it was different. It focused on the current refugee situation.



Some months ago Sue found herself feeling frustrated and angry about the negative way in which the situation was being covered in much of the media. She was aware of the charity, Help Refugees UK, and decided one way in which she could bring attention to the humanitarian work it was doing was to design a themed garden for the Malvern Show. 'I feel very strongly about the crisis,' she says, 'and so it was really heart-warming doing the garden. I knew I had to do something.' Thus began an epic exercise.

Months of planning and sheer hard work ensued culminating in the last intensive six weeks making and setting up the garden at the showground. Sue grew most of the plants at home, always a nerve-wracking strategy in case they do not blossom exactly on time, but the large trees were hired. There was also a wildflower meadow, topiary, flower borders and edible herb sections. The walkway was beautifully made from a Westonbirt tree by Phil Hinton.

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The design is distinctly significant. It represents a refuge in the British countryside for people fleeing conflict. The walkway suggests the difficult journey necessary to escape and the concentric circles with planting reaching outwards represent a ripple effect signifying that conflict affects everyone. In the very centre is a bread oven and every day during the show bread was made. Sue created this having been inspired by seeing reports of refugees in Greece making bread – a way of getting people in dire situations to work together. It is a communal space where everyone comes together.

The whole garden was designed and created by Sue in aid of the charity. 'I just wanted to get information out about the work being done.' The RHS was supportive of the idea even though it was unusual and of course the garden itself produced mixed reactions amongst the visitors – 'but at least it got people talking,' she says. And £2000 was raised for the charity from donations and the sale of T-shirts.

And after the show? Sue is really pleased to report that the University of Warwick will be setting up the garden, the first University of Sanctuary in Britain. The idea is to give education opportunities to people who have fled from conflict. 'It's going to be used which is great,' she says. 'It's a communal space for people to meet in a British landscape.'



Sue grew up in Northumberland, studied at Durham University and taught English and drama for some years. Married with three children, she later decided to study garden design at Pershore College. This is her second gold medal at Malvern, the first was in 2008. This one however is the result of a truly passionate desire to present a strong message coupled of course with sheer hard work and determination. It is a stupendous achievement.

The charity website is [www.helprefugees.org.uk](http://www.helprefugees.org.uk)  
*Carol Maxwell*

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## Five Star Rating for Pete's fish

Every Friday morning from 8.30-11.00 Pete Beldram is to be found selling his superb fresh fish in the Town Hall car park. Many readers will already know how good his produce is both in quality and value for money but this is now confirmed 'officially'. At the end of last month Pete's fish was assessed whilst he was in Painswick during a surprise visit by the Food Standards Agency from Stroud District Council. He was awarded a five star rating.

Pete's fish is transported from Grimsby overnight to Cirencester arriving at 4.30am, prepared by Pete and brought directly to Painswick. His refrigerated van presents an impressive array of fresh fish and shellfish in season, plus smoked fish, pates, dressed crab and lobster and, currently, samphire grass. This is top class fish in the heart of Painswick.

*Carol Maxwell*



## Flower Walk on the Beacon

Sat 17th June 10.30 – 12.30 starting at the walkers' car park, Golf Course Rd. Join Claire Overhill for a gentle walk, discover what plants and flowers are growing and see what work the PBCG has done during the last winter.



We have now had our last large scale work party for the 16/17 season. Previously all work has been done to raise finance through a Biffa funded butterfly conservation project, but this last one was to continue work started under the DEFRA Higher Level stewardship project just over five years ago. Five large pines and an ash were removed from around the loan juniper bush near the entrance to long quarry. This year there are new shoots growing on the bush showing that similar work done four years ago has helped pull this bush back from the brink of certain failure. Three of the four junipers we transplanted into a scrape in Long Quarry seem to have taken, so there is a chance a new juniper colony may be getting established.

This season has seen a rise in the numbers attending work parties and as a result we have done approximately 650 hrs of work. The results are clear for all to see and although it is hard work volunteers have settled into their preferred roles and there is undoubtedly a good team spirit. Thank you for all your help.

Last autumn I collected some grass and flower seeds from the Beacon and scattered it on several small areas we had cleared. Plenty has germinated, but interestingly not very well where pine needle litter is dominant. Yellow rattle germinated particularly well and I have been able to transplant some seedlings to a grass dominated area we cleared in the hope that it will get established. Yellow rattle is semi parasitic on grass, consequentially reduces its vigour and so helps other less dominant herbs and flowers get established.

Over the summer I will be looking for a small number of volunteers to help with various projects; Cut'n'dabbing when saplings are in full leaf, tree popping, learning to use a scythe to cut back weeds and grass, collecting seeds and much more. Watch this space!!

*Paul Baxter*

## Fantastic local support for the Painswick Ball

Over 300 tickets have been sold for the Painswick Ball, which will be held at Broadham Fields, on 23rd June (courtesy of Painswick RFC). Demand has been overwhelming with many more disappointed following the success of the 2015 Midsummer themed event.

Support from within the village has also been superb with generous sponsorship from The Falcon and The Oak who are sponsoring the arrival drinks, Goddards Garage who enabled the ball to increase their entertainment budget, and Richmond Painswick whose money will help support the décor. Even the band have a local connection with Sean Randle living in Tibbiwell Lane. Andy Lovell and Hamptons also helped with design and printing of the posters and tickets respectively.

This years theme of 'Arabian Nights' will form the backdrop to the evening's event. After raising £5000 at the charity auction last time, this year the Ball will support Headway Gloucestershire, which supports those affected by the consequences of brain injury. Again we have had fabulous donations from local organisations and individuals including: St Michael's Restaurant, Woodchester Wines, Jane Garbett, Painswick RFC, Orchard Catering, Three Choirs Vineyard, Painswick Golf Club, Bespoke Flower Company, Photogem (Anne-Marie Randall) and The Painswick.

We look forward to welcoming the lucky ticket holders to the Ball and hope the good recent weather holds for what should be another fabulous event. Thanks again to all the local businesses and individuals that help make events like this happen. We look forward to updating you with news of the evening in the August edition.

*David Nottingham*

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# Community Lunches

£1700 from the 16/17 season has now been distributed to all 5 groups in and around Painswick. The Friday Club (for our senior residents) has received their cheque with thanks, as have Stroud Citizens Advice and Stroud Food Bank.

The Painswick Baby and Toddler group, set up and organised by Marisa Vaughan, received their cheque at the last Parish Council meeting (picture right). The group meets on Friday mornings from 9.30 to 11.30 in the Pavilion on the Rec.

We had a most interesting Thursday evening when we went along to the Pavilion on the Rec. to present the cheque to PANTASTIC, the youth steel band which practises there each week. The group was started by Dave Lynall and Steve Twigg 4 years ago with 6 pupils from The Croft school – all of whom still play – along with younger recruits from the school – 11 in all – and all from Painswick. They are a most friendly and welcoming group – and we would like to think that the community will support all their efforts.

Thank you to all the groups in Painswick who host the Community Lunches. Next season's Lunches begin on Monday 9th October, from 12 noon to 1.15 in Ashwell centre, where all are welcome to enjoy the home-made soup, cheese and bread & butter – and raise such amazing money for our local community.

*Rita Bishop and David Linsell*

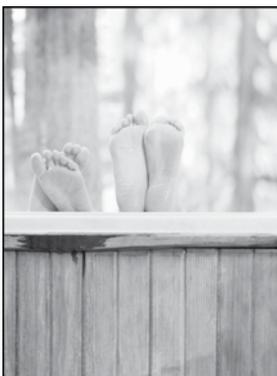
(Right: Pantastic receive their cheque from David and Rita)



## Race to the Tower Saturday 10th June

This 53 mile ultra-marathon race along the Cotswold Way will be passing through Painswick on the morning of 10th June from about 8.30 am onwards. Around 800 runners will be setting off from Whiteshill in five waves between 8 am and 9 am. The route takes them out to Haresfield Beacon and then back across Edge Common towards Painswick, entering on Edge Lane and leaving the village via New Street and Gloucester Road to head off over the Beacon. The staggered start times and the varying paces of different runners should mean runners will pass through in small groups.

Some runners will be aiming to complete the entire 53 mile route to Broadway Tower in a single day, while others will be taking it in two stages, camping overnight to the east of Cheltenham and finishing the run on Sunday. Even that 'easier' option is equivalent to running two separate marathons on consecutive days, over very hilly cross-country courses! More information at [www.racetothetower.com](http://www.racetothetower.com)



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## Roger at the Rococo

The Rococo Garden has a new head gardener. Roger Standley joined the team early in May and is already enjoying his new role.

Roger comes to the Rococo with a wealth of experience. Before taking up the Rococo post, he spent four and a half years as gardener at Perrycroft in the Malverns. This is an Arts and Crafts house and garden, the latter covering 10 acres and open to the public only as part of the NGS scheme. Roger explains that it was an ongoing restoration project and therefore presented quite a challenge but one which provided invaluable experience in a historic garden. Prior to his time at Perrycroft he worked in the gardens at Sudeley Castle for two and half years.

Growing up in Cornwall he obtained a degree at Cardiff University, travelled a little and eventually was fortunate to gain a place on the prestigious National Trust Careership course to train as a gardener with NVQ and RHS qualifications. Together with his previous work situations in historic gardens this means therefore that Roger comes to the Rococo highly qualified and appropriately experienced.

So how does he see developments at the Rococo? With a particular interest in the historic nature of the garden he is keen to work towards making the planting truly authentic. At present there are some plants which would not have been there in the eighteenth century and he hopes to rectify this with appropriate replacements which he is currently researching. He also hopes to use more annuals, changing them each year to provide renewed colourful interest regularly.

There will also be further developments on the nature trail adding to the family fun aspects of the garden, fun of course being the original intention when it was first created. Another important feature of Roger's plans is to make better use of the fruit, salads, herbs and vegetables grown in the garden. In particular he would like to organise the sale of such produce to the public outside the cafe. This would be of great benefit to local people of course. Meanwhile, the cafe continues to use the garden produce.

More than anything, Roger is delighted to be working with his team of gardeners at the Rococo – two full-time, one part-time and the many volunteers. "They demonstrate so much commitment and enthusiasm," he says, adding that this makes his job a real joy. The team is strong and positive and more volunteers are always welcome. Roger, as head of this strong team, has vision and commitment himself and this certainly augurs well for the future of the Rococo Garden.

*Carol Maxwell*



## Before ... and after



An example of the voluntary Community Action undertaken by David Allott, who appealed for help in a letter to the Beacon last month. You can contact David on 812624

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This beautiful example of a handkerchief tree (*Davidia involucreta*) overhanging the wall on Edge Lane was photographed in May by Joyce Barrus. Other less common trees noticed recently in Painswick include a Paulownia by the corner of Stamages car park, a female Katsura tree by the Croft School and the splendid Tulip Tree by the Churchyard

## Jottings for May.

The dry weather has certainly played havoc with everything growing. Some of the corn growing locally has come into ear up to two months early. This could mean that there will be less corn crop when it is harvested and certainly less straw. Because it has been so dry, the grass has not been able to grow to its full potential and gone to seed early, on shorter stems, so its feed quality has gone right down. In the garden, hollyhocks are only a couple of feet high coming into flower, instead of being near five feet in height.

So we get the mower, baler and the turner out from where they have been stored for the winter to start silage making and down comes the rain and stops us, so it means waiting for at least four or five dry days before we can start cutting the grass.

We have been asked if we would put some cattle out on Painswick Beacon to graze it, but, like many of the farmers round here we have said no. Firstly, you need the older breeds of cattle because the more modern types do not do well on this type of grassland. You need a farmer, more like a small-holder, with a few cattle to do it. Most local people know where to walk on the Beacon with their dogs, but visitors coming up from the city with dogs and children running round, the cattle get agitated. On Painswick Beacon stock is kept in a small space controlled by an electric fence and have nowhere to run out of the way. Unlike on Edge Common and Juniper Hill where you have wide open spaces with fences round the boundary.

Two boxes were delivered to a local engineer in our area, both being about the same size some 12" x 18" x 4". Each contained a machine part 2" x 2" x 4". The rest of the space was just packing - what a waste of space, paper and cardboard

*Martin Slinger*

## The soft, refreshing rain

Unusually for us, we were relieved to see rain in May. Whilst it deters some visitors... it had been so dry for so long that we were starting to worry about our seedlings in the Kitchen Garden. However after a good soaking, things are looking verdant and almost every bed is full. So it's been a busy first couple of weeks for our new Head Gardener, Roger Standley - you can read more about him in conversation with Carol Maxwell elsewhere.

**Rococo  
Reflections**

April's visitor numbers were very good and we're now over a third up on last year, year to date. In the cafe, we've had the first lettuce, radishes and rhubarb from the Kitchen Garden - and there's the promise of many more super-fresh, tasty things over the next few months. Clare and her team make full use of the seasonal produce and you'll find new ideas and tastes on our menu as the seasons change. Remember the café is open to all - whether you are visiting the garden or just dropping in for lunch - you will always be very welcome.

Coming up right at the end of the month, on 30th, we've the first of our outdoor theatre performances. The Garden is the perfect backdrop for a civilised evening's entertainment, and the Handlebards provide just that. Tickets have been selling well - you can get yours from [www.handlebards.com](http://www.handlebards.com).

In July we welcome to the Garden Adrian Gray, award-winning stonebalancer, whose work will be with us until the end of August. More details next month - we are sure his simple and eye-catching sculptures will be welcome guests in the Garden. For a sneak preview have a look at [www.stonebalancing.com](http://www.stonebalancing.com).

Remember we're just a short walk from the centre and that parking is easy and free here. Why not pop up and see the great things we're up to?

*Tim Toghill, Volunteer and trustee*

## Something different for Painswick's visitors

Greg and Iris McCormick have for some years offered a bed and breakfast service at their home in Gloucester Street. Conscious of the fact that many of the people who stay in Painswick are walkers, especially on the Cotswold Way, they realised that for some, camping would be a preferred option. There is in fact a veritable dearth of campsites in this area near the Cotswold Way.

The McCormick's have now rectified this situation by opening a small campsite in Painswick. It is essentially aimed at walkers and cyclists, only tents allowed and no cars or caravans to be parked on site. Situated in a small meadow halfway down Tibbiwell on the left, it is delightfully simple. "We've made it as eco-friendly as possible," says Greg. The sustainable facilities - toilet, shower, washing up area - are housed in attractive trailers, and there is a small fire pit for camp fire sharing. Altogether there are five pitches.

This quiet, simple spot in the midst of Painswick offers an alternative accommodation choice for our visitors. Its attraction lies in the fact that it is within the village and, as camping means complete freedom for its participants, it is to be hoped that they will take full advantage of all the other facilities and businesses in Painswick. It is also of course in a lovely place, peaceful, quiet and secluded with beautiful views. There is a website [www.painswickcamping.co.uk](http://www.painswickcamping.co.uk).

*Carol Maxwell*

## Volunteers Wanted Beavers and Cub Groups

Please help Cranham Scout Group! We need volunteers to help run our Wednesday evening Beavers and Cubs Groups for local children, many of them from Painswick. Help to provide great social and adventure experiences for children in a fun and safe environment, based on the age old values of good citizenship.

Adults (kids at heart...!) who could help as Assistant Leaders or as Administrators should get in touch with Leah via [cranhambeavers@gmail.com](mailto:cranhambeavers@gmail.com) to find out more about this rewarding opportunity.

*Leah Rose*

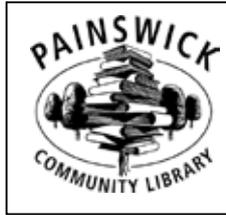
# Library Report

## Upcoming Events Celebrating our 5th Birthday

As you read here last month, "Gardens" is our theme for our 5th Birthday Celebrations:

**Tuesday 6th June 7.00 pm at the Town Hall** – Author Victoria Summerley will give an illustrated talk on the Great Gardens of London. Tickets are available at the Library or on the door; £3 to include refreshments.

**Wednesday 21st June 3.00 – 5.00 pm** Tea Party in the Library. All welcome.



Painswick Local History Society will be displaying their new exhibition on "Gardens, for Fun, Food and Flowers" from now until the Tea Party. Also the Knit and Natter Group (meets in the Library Monday mornings) have been hard at work, and their "Knitted Gardens" will be on display from June 5th throughout the summer. Don't miss both these displays.

To support our garden theme there are 2 handouts available at the desk: "Gloucestershire Gardens open in 2017", and "More ideas on Gardening and Gardens".

New Books for June include a number of books on Gardens – see the display in the Library:

### Adult Non-Fiction (including Victoria Summerley):

John Le Carre, *The Pigeon tunnel*; Paul Peacock, *Grow your own vegetables in pots and containers*; Victoria Summerley, *Secret Gardens of the Cotswolds*.

### Adult Fiction: (new Donna Leon and Paula Hawkins)

John Connolly, *A Game of Ghosts*; Carole Dunn, *Buried in the Country*; Paula Hawkins, *Into the Water*; Donna Leon, *Earthly Remains*; Edward Wison, *A Very British Ending*.

### Junior / Teen Fiction

Janey Bailet *Lookin out for Leroy (Teen)*; Shaw & Taylor, *World Famous Cheese shop Break in (Picture book)*

The full list of New Books is available at the Library Counter.

*Ian Cridland*

## An apology

We apologise to James Bennett, pictured in disguise in our May issue, for giving his name incorrectly.

# Painswick Gardening Club The Joy of June



Where better to be than in the garden in June?

As anticipated, Paul Green delighted his audience with his practical and witty talk in May.

He shared his vast knowledge, skills and anecdotes with humour by the barrowload! A very enjoyable evening topped off by a fabulous display of plants which were for sale after the talk ...wonderful!

We're looking forward to welcoming Dominic Hamilton on 14th June (Church Rooms, 7.30pm). Dominic will talk about his time as the new Director of the Rococo Garden and future plans. Come and join us (visitors £4) if you fancy the topic.

By the time this edition hits doormats, I feel that I can confidently say the Gardening Club plant sale will have been a great success with many laughs, lots of plants sold and much cake eaten! I'd like to thank everyone for the support given; it's very much appreciated.

You aren't too late to book a place for the visit to Eastleach House, nr Cirencester on 12th July (2pm, £10pp). We have arranged to visit this large "by appointment only" NGS garden that features in the well known book "Secret Gardens of the Cotswolds" by Victoria Sumerley. The car-share arrangements will be organised a little nearer the time. If you would like to join us please put your details on the list at the next meeting, email us or phone Debbie on 07802 389304.

More details about Debbie's NGS Open Garden 15/16 July in my next article. I'm off to weed....again!

*Caroline Bodington (Committee Member)*

## Celebration Walk! Cotswold Commons and Beechwoods

Sunday 11th June 10.30am. A walk to celebrate the declaration of Bulls Cross as part of the Cotswold Commons and Beechwoods National Nature Reserve.



A lovely picture of Painswick Infants in 1927.  
Can you help to identify any of the children?

Earlier this year Bulls Cross was declared part of the Cotswold Commons and Beechwoods National Nature Reserve. This is in recognition of the importance and rarity of the grassland habitat that is found here. The declaration marks a huge achievement and will ensure a more secure future for this once neglected site. Join Natural England's Reserve staff in celebrating the newest part of the National Nature Reserve with a morning walk around the common to learn more about what makes it so special and to take a closer look at some of the fascinating wildlife that is found here.

Booking is essential at [kate.gamez@naturalengland.org.uk](mailto:kate.gamez@naturalengland.org.uk) / 07747 485136.

*Kate Gamez*

# The Marah Trust

The Marah Trust was started some 15 years ago in Stroud as a place where the homeless could get a meal at lunchtimes and keep warm for a few hours. While we still do serve meals 3 times a week, we have also developed into something more.

We stretch out a welcoming hand to the homeless and vulnerable and meet them 'where they are'. These people are often ashamed and humiliated at their situation and find it really hard to ask for help. Sometimes they have already approached some of the professional organisations and often they find the response less than helpful.

The process of applying for benefits or housing involves many questions and form filling...and the government would like all applications to be made on line. Most of our clients are not skilled on the computer and even talking to someone on the telephone makes them anxious and flustered. This is where Marah can help. By getting through to the right person on the telephone and sitting next to the client while they go through the forms or by filling the forms in on line, we can help the clients through these hurdles.

Of course the professional organisations are trained to deal with vulnerable people...but all too often they do not have the time to spend with them and the need to 'process' their applications gets in the way of understanding of their needs.

Marah meets that need. By spending time with the people who come to us, we can build up trust and respect. A free cup of coffee, a warm welcoming smile and an offer to help unreservedly breaks down the reticence and mistrust. They can also get a free hot meal and access clothing and toiletries....all of which has been donated by people in Stroud and surrounding villages.

Marah is a helping hand that reaches out to anyone who needs help or support unconditionally and without prejudice.

*Jackie Natt, Trustee and Volunteer*

**DASH** (which stands for Delivering Aid to Stroud Homeless) is a group in Painswick and Cranham which has been channelling help to Marah for several years. We run a small change collection of 1ps, 2ps and 5ps which has raised more than £4000 over the past 7 years. Any contributions, big or small, are welcome. Contact Alison Robinson (812 286) or Frances Watson (812 071) in Painswick who will be pleased to come and collect it. (Sue Stick on 813 407 in Cranham.)

Marah is currently appealing for toiletries for their clients – deodorant sprays, shampoo, shower gel, wipes, toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs and hairbrushes are all needed but NO soap, please! There is also an ongoing need for clean plastic margarine pots (500g size) and plastic carrier bags for leftover food and gifts of clothing. There are collecting boxes at the back of Painswick and Cranham churches and also in Murrays Estate Agency where these contributions can be left.

## Tutored WineTasting Richmond Village, 12th July

One grape with many characters – and one of the most difficult to get right. That's how many winegrowers would describe Pinot Noir. Come and discover some of its charm as we make a quick trip around the world in an hour or two and see what happens when Pinot Noir takes the guided tour with us.

For more information please contact Sonia Harte 01452 810203.

*Sonia Harte*

## The Croft School Summer Fete Saturday 15th July 12 – 3pm

This year's fete is bursting with fun, games and delicious food – so please save the date! We invite the whole village to come along to join the fun and help to raise vital funds for our school.

- BBQ with burgers and sausages locally sourced
- Cakes, cream teas and ice cream
- Licenced bar including Pimms and Real Ale
- Plants, second hand toys and uniform stalls
- Bouncy castle
- Hook a duck, wet sponge stocks, human fruit machine and face painting
- Craft competition
- Fire engine and Blue Watch Fire Fighters
- Lots more and a special guest or two

Look out for posters around the village. We look forward to seeing you there.

*The Friends of the Croft team*

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# Sports reports

assembled by John Barrus



## Cricket

And we are off...the first team have enjoyed a winning start to the season, winning their first three league matches over Cheltenham 2nds, Kingsholm and AIW. Major contributors with the bat have been David Boon with a fine 63 against Cheltenham, George Macduff scoring 66 against Kingsholm and a superb 41 runs from Tom Hayward against AIW in a tight game. Top bowling performances by the ever reliable strike man James Harber, ably supported by newcomer Jack Hobbis. Young Simon Taylor is showing great promise and took a match winning 6 wickets against AIW. These are the highlights which have been supported by much improved fielding performances and an excellent team spirit.



Painswick's 1st XI Cricket team, pictured before their recent victory against Cheltenham 2nd XI

The 2nds and 3rds have struggled so far, but Phil Longuet-Higgins scored a cracking 85 runs in defeat for the 2nds at Sheepscombe (who scored a huge 358). Nick Marment took 5 for 48 for the 2nds against Minchinhampton.

The newly promoted 3rds are having a tough time in the Stroud Premier League and have suffered with injury to some key individuals. However Mark Nicholson 51 against Rockhampton, 75 against Frocester 4ths has shown great determination and quality.

The fourths are on the march and are delighted to be up and running. All the youngsters showed great promise in a game against Rockhampton 4ths. The major contributor to Painswick's score of 136 was James Elliot who smashed the ball to all parts in an innings of 69 runs. Mike Powis scored 16 and Alfie Bradshaw chipped in with 11. Rockhampton played their part in a game that was played in a superb spirit.

Steve Pegram Painswick CC

## Ladies Golf

The Ladies section of Painswick Golf Club held their Club Championship on Tuesday 16th May and Saturday 20th May. Two medal rounds were played, and to make matters more difficult, on both days the weather was blustery with intermittent showers – some heavier than others. The ladies kept their heads down, with Angela Woodward winning the Gross competition, and therefore the Club Championship, and Sylvia Walker the Nett Cup.



The ladies have also started to play a fun monthly social competition, usually on a Friday morning and often 12 holes rather than 18. Prizes have been awarded for best card on the day, number of shots played in the quarries (Ann Smith was awarded a piece of rock cake for this dubious honour,) and other fun prizes.

We are a small and enthusiastic section, and would welcome any ladies who would like to join us. Please contact Ann Smith on 01452 380279 or secretary@painswickgolf.com

Angela Woodward,

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## Golf Seniors Open

On Wednesday 10th May, Painswick Golf Club Seniors held their 2017 Open Competition. On a beautiful Spring day 92 golfers from local and other clubs as far afield as Solihull, Bicester, South

Herefordshire and Oxford gathered at our picturesque course, in the Cotswold Hills, to compete in the annual flagship event.

The event was hard fought with the early starter's lead retaining top spot for most of the day and it was not until late afternoon that the eventual winners toppled them from first place.

The winning score of 50 points was recorded by Derek Souch and John Falconer from Bicester Golf club, with Brendan Nunan and Nigel Cooper, both Painswick players, securing second place. However, the competition, on the day, was so keen that the first four places were only separated by 3 points.

The day was generously supported by many local firms, with Neil John generously donating the first prize of a meal for four at the Falcon Inn together with a meal for two, at the Oak, for the difficult nearest the pin in two competition on the 17th hole. The Rococo Gardens kindly provided two family tickets to visit this local attraction to support raffles held on the day.

*Vernon Watkin*



John Bentley, the Seniors Captain, presents Derek Souch and John Falconer with the winner's prize - a meal for four at the Falcon Inn.

## Resthaven's Double Celebration

On 28th May 1938, 80 years ago last Sunday, on a sunny hillside above Pitchcombe, Maud Little (who had previously run Standish Hospital during WW1) and a small group of family, friends and supporters witnessed the laying of the Foundation Stone of the Chapel of St Francis - an integral part of Resthaven Nursing Home. This early milestone in Resthaven's development was celebrated with an Open Day on 27th May when residents and staff welcomed members of the public to have a look round their 42 bedroom home.

The Trustees of Resthaven (Brian Marks of Stroud, Martyn Smith of Painswick, Joan Nash and Robert & Michael Little of Pitchcombe) are delighted to announce a further reason to celebrate, namely that they have very recently entered into an Agreement to merge with Cheltenham based Lilian Faithfull Homes whose highly experienced and qualified management team will provide welcome specialist back up and secure Resthaven's future in the community for, hopefully, another 80 years.

Lilian Faithfull Homes is another charity, founded in 1947, that shares the "care before profit" ethos and is willing to welcome Resthaven into its family of homes while respecting its unique identity. A new Home Manager, Jo Goode, is taking over leadership of Resthaven's dedicated team of nurses and care assistants whose experience and qualifications are second to none in the county. She and Deputy Manager, Pat Ashforth, will give a warm welcome to any Beacon reader who wishes to see the accommodation and its remarkable views or discuss the services Resthaven is now able to offer.

For further information about Resthaven please contact Jo Goode by phone on 01452-812682 or by email on [manager@resthavenpitchcombe.co.uk](mailto:manager@resthavenpitchcombe.co.uk). For further information about Lilian Faithfull Homes please visit their website: <http://www.lilianfaithfull.co.uk>

*Michael Little*

## Silversmith Workshop Saturday 24th June 2pm - 4pm

Art Couture is proud to welcome experienced silversmith & tutor Wendy Murphy for an afternoon workshop at The Painswick Centre.

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## 'Spirit of Nature' Art Exhibition Sat. 24th and Sunday 25th June

Growing up in the Cotswolds from the age of 10, artist Melissa Ashford is delighted to be returning to 'her spiritual home', as she refers to it, to stage the first exhibition of her fine art work. Now married and currently living in Hampshire, Melissa has already received commissions from clients in the Cotswolds area, and looks forward to meeting up with them once again. After experimenting with different mediums, she settled on oils as her favourite to achieve the results she wanted. And her love of design is apparent in her instinctive 'feel' for composition, colour combination, and the impressive sense of atmosphere she creates by the effect of light in all her work.

Melissa is accompanied by Daphne Ellman S.W.A, S.F.A., who lives and works in the Isle of Wight ... a magic place for her, and where she holds her own exhibition 'Inspired by Wight', every year. Daphne's love of detail and texture is evident, whether it be wildlife, countryside, still-life or sea scenes. Many galleries along the South coast show her work, and she has regular exhibitions elsewhere, but this is a 'first' at this venue. Don't miss this rare opportunity to view the beautiful work of these two talented ladies. Melissa can be contacted on 07979 341783 / or see [www.daphneellman.co.uk](http://www.daphneellman.co.uk). The exhibition is from 10am till 9pm at The Falcon (The Shires Room). Parking at The Falcon or Stamages Lane car park

*Pauline Gilbert*



An example of Melissa Ashford's work

## PROPERTY REPORT from Murrays

Murrays have again had a very successful few months with sales, viewings and new properties coming to the market all on the up, although demand for property is still outweighing the supply. The newer properties that are coming to the market are selling fast and usually for close, if not their asking price when priced realistically.

However Nationwide have said that house prices recorded their second consecutive monthly fall in April, while the annual rate of growth slowed to 2.6%, the weakest since June 2013. This is mainly the London market and surrounds affected, the national uncertainty of the snap General Election in June and what is to happen with the Brexit negotiations. Nothing is certain in the coming year. Make hay while the sun shines they say, as market conditions in The Stroud Valleys are very good here at the moment.

We have taken on lots of lovely new properties recently including Rose Cottage, a charming attached 3 bed Cotswold Cottage with lovely views (already under offer), Wayside, a 3 bed cottage right in the centre of the village, 1 Rock Cottages, a spacious 2 bed cottage full of character on Vicarage Street, Corner Cottage, a 5 bedroom family house with parking in the centre of the village, Perivale a detached 3 bed family house with lovely views on Stamages

Lane, 2 New House, a 1 bed ground floor flat on Friday Street, Hill Valley a detached 4 bed 4 bath family house set in a stunning location in Slad, The Chase a detached 4 bed family house with large garden in Harescombe, and Springfield, a chocolate box 2/3 bed cottage in Cranham (already under offer),

Properties that we currently have under offer are 11 Hyett Orchard, 1 Whitehall Cottages, Stamages Lane, The Chur on Bisley Street, Corner Cottage on Victoria Street, Rose Cottage on Tibbiwell, all in Painswick, Tunley Cottage in Sheepscombe and Springfield in Cranham. Properties that we have sold are Tres Tabernae on Bisley Street, Painswick, 4 Hyett Orchard, Painswick, Glen Rosa on The Ashpath, Upton St Leonards and Peace Cottage, Green Lane, Witcombe.

Murrays are also delighted to be sponsoring Wick-Flix our local cinema at the Painswick Centre which is thriving! The next screening is "Lion" which is showing on Friday 2nd June – doors and bar open at 7pm where you can also find a selection of my sister Fiona Shiner's wines "Woodchester Valley Vineyard".

*James C Murray - Director*



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Sat	3	21 Pounds (an Everyman Theatre production) Tickets £8 from John & Carolyn Luke: 814139	Edge Village Hall	7.30pm
Sun	4	Mass Parish Communion Meeting for Worship Christian Unity Service	Catholic Church St Mary's Church Quaker Meeting House Catholic Church	8.30am 9.30am 10.30am 4.30pm
Mon	5	Knit & Natter Group Short Mat Bowls - Mondays (contact 812464) Yoga (Mondays) contact Kim 812623  Have Your Say' Church Group: every Monday - contact Rev. Roger Leigh 01452 536325.	Library Town Hall Sheepscombe Vill. Hall Church Rooms	10.00am 10.30am and 2.00pm 6.30 to 8.00pm & 8.15 to 9.45pm 7.30 to 9.30pm
Tue	6	Painswick Art Club: Every Tuesday Gentle Pilates for all - Tuesdays: contact Vicky at abcPilates@btinternet.com or 07934977171 Zumba Gold dance fitness class for Seniors: £6 pp Tuesdays. Tel: 07766 101790 Guided Health Walk (one hour) Tuesdays. Enq. 813228 Bingo: Tuesdays Library Illustrated Lecture: Great Gardens of London - Victoria Summerley	Church Rooms Painswick Centre Painswick Centre Town Hall Ashwell House Town Hall	9.30am 9.30 to 10.30am 10.00am 2.15 for 2.30pm 6.30 to 9.00pm 7.00pm
Wed	7	Botanical Illustration classes - Wednesdays - mornings or afternoons. Pre-book:07810 725772 or via website: www.botanic-illustration.co.uk Yoga (Wednesdays) contact Kim 812623 Probus: The Cathedral Inside & Out: The Very Revd. Stephen Lake, Dean of Gloucester Cathedral Art Class (Oils) - Wednesdays: contact Jane - 812176	Painswick Golf Club GL6 6TL Sheepscombe Vill. Hall Painswick Centre	9.30am to- 12noon & 1.00 to- 3.30pm 9.30 to 11.00am 10.00am
Thu	8	Yoga - All Abilities (Thursdays) Cotswold Room 812623 T'ai Chi: Thursdays - Contact 812344 Dog Training Club (Thursdays) Art Class (Oils) - Thursdays: contact Jane - 812176 Art Class (Watercolours) - Thursdays: contact Jane 812176 Jolly Stompers Line Dancing: Beginners - Thursdays- tel. Julie - 01453 752480 Experienced beginners - Thursdays New Pilates Class - Thursdays contact Nicola 07870 953159 or nmarshes@hotmail.com Messy Church	Painswick Centre Town Hall Church Rooms Town Hall Painswick Centre Church Rooms	Afternoons 9.30 to 11.00am 9.30am 9.30 to 12.00noon Mornings Afternoons 12.00 to 1.00pm 12.30 to 1.30pm
Fri	9	Cotteswold Naturalists': Coach Trip to Holst Birthplace Museum, Winchcombe & Stanway House: Enq 01453 834486  Country Market: Coffee available - Fridays Toddler Group - Fridays (Recreation Ground)	Stamages Car Park Town Hall Youth Pavilion	3.30 to 5.30pm 9.30 to 11.30am 10.00 to 11.30am
Sun	11	Holy Communion (BCP) Mass Sharing in One Bread - Holy Communion Meeting for Worship	St Mary's Church Catholic Church St. Mary's Church Quaker Meeting House	8.00am 8.30am 9.30am 10.30pm
Mon	12	Cotteswold Naturalists' Guided Walk at GWT Roundhouse Nature Reserve, Pre-book: 813228 Probus Women: Behind the Scenes. (Gardener's World) - Julie Dolphin	Lechlade Church Rooms	10.00am 10.00 for 10.30am
Tue	13	Bird Club: Field trip & guided walk - Woorgreens Nature Reserve (SO628125) Forest of Dean	Kensley Lodge car park	10.30am
Wed	14	Holy Communion Gardening Club: Rococo Update - Dominic Hamilton	St. Mary's Church Church Rooms	12.00noon 7.30pm



Thu	15	Friday Club Outing to Frampton Court		
Fri	16	Play: The Dark Tales of Gloucestershire by Spaniel in The Works Co.	Painswick Centre	7.30pm
Sat	17	Painswick Beacon Flower Walk, led by Clare Overhill	Walkers Car Park	9.30am
		Arts & Crafts Market	Town Hall	10.00am to 2.00pm
Sun	18	Mass	Catholic Church	8.30am
		Parish Communion	St. Mary's Church	9.30am
		Meeting for Worship	Quaker Meeting House	10.30pm
Mon	19	<b>Copy Date for July Beacon</b>		
Tue	20	Local History Society AGM & Talk by David Archard	Croft School	7.30pm
Wed	21	Probus: Quaint & Quirky Gloucestershire - Angela Panrucker	Painswick Centre	10.00am
		Painswick Valleys Conservation Society outing to Brockworth Court, House & Garden. £14 (incl. tea): John Luke 814139	Brockworth Court	2.30pm
		Library 5th Birthday Tea and Cake	Library	3.00 to 5.00pm
		Special performance of Area Eight with Tea & Cakes: Tel Nigel Burt: 810935	Church Rooms	3.00pm
		Evening Prayer	St. Mary's Church	5.00pm
		Parish Council Meeting	Town Hall	7.30pm
Thu	22	Cotteswold Naturalists' Mid-summer Supper & Talk on Craft Gin-making. Enq: 01453 834486	Thistledown Farm Café	6.00pm
Sat	24	Art Exhibition: Spirit of Nature - by Melissa Hardwick: also Sunday 25th	Shires Room, Falcon	Daily
		Sterling Silver Ring / Bangle Workshop - Wendy Murphy - at ACP Gallery	Painswick Centre	2.00 to 4.00pm
		Edge Village Summer Fete: Kids' Games, BBQ & Bar, Music, Stalls.	Edge Village Green	2.00 to 4.30pm
Sun	25	Holy Communion	St Mary's Church	8.00am
		Mass	Catholic Church	8.30am
		Painswick Praise	St Mary's Church	9.30am
		Meeting for Worship	Quaker Meeting House	10.30pm
Mon	26	Probus Women: Visit to Sudeley Castle, with Talk & Coffee on arrival. Shared transport by car.	Sudeley Castle	10.30am
Tue	27	Yew Trees W.I.: Hilarious Hats - Mrs Alexandra Stanbrook	Church Rooms	7.30pm
Fri	30	Friday Club: President's Tea Party: Woodchester Valley Vineyards Talk & Wine tasting	Town Hall	2.30pm

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Sat	1	<b>July Issue of The Painswick Beacon Published</b>		
		Theatre Club trip to Watermill Theatre, Newbury: Garden by Alan Ayckbourn	Stamages Car Park	
Mon	3	Knit & Natter Group	Library	10.00am
Tue	4	Cotteswold Naturalists' Coach Trip to Avebury, prehistoric site, Manor (N.T.) & Museum. Enq. 814570	Stamages Car Park	
Wed	5	Probus: Robert Dudley, Queen Elizabeth & the Kenilworth entertainment of 1575 - Gill White	Painswick Centre	10.00am

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## NEW APPLICATIONS

S.17/0727/FUL THE COTTAGE,  
Bunnage Fields Farm, The Camp  
New entrance and driveway from Camp  
Lane onto property at Bunnage Fields  
Farm.

S.17/0794/HHOLD BRYHER,  
Cheltenham Road  
Two storey extension to rear of property.  
S.17/0956/HHOLD 12 THE  
CROFT

Construct enlarged entrance porch, single  
storey rear extension and convert garage  
(integral) to form playroom.

S.17/1037/FUL CAROUSEL AND  
GREENACRE, Slad Road  
Replacement dwelling Carousel and  
replacement dwelling Greenacre (Revised  
Scheme)

S.17/0994/HHOLD  
BLAKEWELL HOUSE, Edge Road  
Garage extension.

S.17/0853/FUL LAND AT  
HAMMONDS FARM, Wick Street  
Demolishing redundant outbuildings and  
rebuilding into dwellings. Change of Use  
of land from agricultural to residential.

## CONSENT

S.17/0598/TCA MARCH COTTAGE,  
Tibbiwell Lane  
Fell Lawson Cypress tree.

S.17/0384/FUL THE BUNGALOW,  
Bulls Cross, Sheepscombe  
Demolition of existing bungalow and  
erection of new two storey house built on  
foot plate of existing bungalow provision  
of car parking and landscaping.

S.17/0568/LBC THE OLD STABLE,  
St Mary's Street.

Conservatory with wet room.  
S.17/0584/HHOLD TRILLGATE,  
Slad.

Erection of a garage and playroom.  
S.17/0586/VAR MEISTER MASONRY  
LTD, Catbrain Quarry  
Variation of permission S.11/0369/OUT.  
Replace wooden fencing with Cotswold  
stone walls and alter landscaping.

## REFUSED

S.17/0374/LBC SPOONBED FARM,  
Painswick Beacon  
French doors leading out from the rear  
extension onto patio.

S.17/0502/LBC COOMBE HOUSE,  
The Green, Sheepscombe  
Two roof lights to rear slope and alteration  
of door hood.

## WITHDRAWN

S.17/0691/VAR HAMMONDS FARM,  
Wick Street  
Removal of condition 4 for planning  
permission S.16/2529/FUL.

S.17/0853/FUL LAND AT  
HAMMONDS FARM, Wick Street  
Demolishing redundant outbuildings and  
rebuilding into dwellings. Change of Use  
of land from agricultural to residential.  
S.17/0727/FUL THE COTTAGE,  
Bunnage Fields Farm, The Camp  
New entrance and driveway from Camp  
Lane onto property at Bunnage Fields  
Farm.

## MINI-ADS

**For Sale:** Antique dark wood hall circular  
hall table, six legs and a lower shelf £30;  
Antique wooden bedroom chair with  
tooling work on back and cushioned fabric  
seat. £30 01452 814360.

**Clear View wood burner for sale.**  
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**Wanted - an urn** for a flower arrangement  
to be done during the Arts Festival. Rough  
dimensions 20" high and 10" wide. Will  
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813815

**'Garage Sale' in the Garden** to be held  
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# The Personal Column

## Condolences

To the family and friends of MARY ROBERTS of Long Finals, Painswick who passed away peacefully at home on May 2nd. There was a memorial service at St Mary's Church on May 26th. Peter Roberts and his family would like to thank everyone for all their kind wishes and their many cards.

To the family and friends of PAM KRUSE, formerly of Cotswold Mead, who died at home in Cheltenham on March 30th.

To the family and friends of TED HOLFORD who died peacefully in Gloucester Royal Hospital on May 22nd after a long illness.

To the family and friends of TERENCE (TERRY) GALVIN, JUNE MANTON, ALAN MAJOR, SIR PETER MARYCHURCH and DAVID RYLAND who have died recently. A Thanksgiving Service for Peter Marychurch will be held at St. Mary's on Tuesday 6th June.

*You could help Vicky Aspinall, if you would relay information about those you know and for whom a mention in the Personal Column would be appreciated. We are always willing to announce births, deaths and marriages, as well as people moving to, or leaving, the village, but we can only report what we are told.*



Emma lives in Canada and Joan had last been with her when she was five. Emma is now in her thirties, the mother of two little girls. Joan of course, now 100 years old, is Painswick's oldest Bow-Wow having been born and brought up here. On Saturday, 13th May, Joan's greatest wish came true – Emma came to Painswick and spent the day with Joan. This was truly a lovely occasion as the picture of Joan and Emma shows.

*Carol Maxwell*

## Congratulations

To MICHAEL LIDDIARD and KATRINA SMITH, daughter of Jayne Knowles-Smith and the late Robert Smith of Pullens Road who were married on May 14th.

To Barbara and Harold Clark of Gloucester Road, Painswick who are delighted to announce that their 16 year old grandson GEORGE BARKER has been presented with the Gold Award at the British Physics Olympiad at the Royal Society in London. He has also attained the Gold Certificate in Maths and was given a goodly amount of lab equipment for the Crypt School in Gloucester. Now he is sitting down to take his GCSE exams!

## Correction

In last month's Personal Column it was erroneously reported that the late Dr Anne Rosemary Bailey had lived in Pitchcombe, when in fact she lived in Harescombe for 41 years and prior to that in Edge for 10 years. We apologise for the mistake.

## A very happy reunion

You may recall reading a heart-warming story in the June edition of last year's Beacon. Joan Wood's granddaughter, Emma, read about Joan's birthday in the Beacon on-line and, having lost touch for over 30 years, she contacted the Beacon to ascertain whether this was indeed her grandmother.

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