

The Painswick Beacon

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS 17th July by Terry Parker

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.



PLANNING COMMITTEE

Catbrain Quarry

A site meeting had been arranged for the following Friday. There were a number of issues to be discussed with Meister Masonry, one of which was the requirement for hydroseeding to the quarry face.

Washbrook Mill, Edge Road

The Committee agreed to support the application for a 3 storey extension with double garage subject to several conditions.

Friends Meeting House, Vicarage Street

The Committee agreed to support the application to demolish the external toilet and replace it with a toilet for the disabled.

The Old Library Building, Stroud Road

Cllr Abigail Smith raised the issue of parking. Cllr Roey Parker queried the width of the pathway. She also asked about contractors' parking during the building works. Cllr Bullingham said that the path had to be a minimum width of 4 feet. He explained that the contractors could rent spaces for their use during the development. The Committee then agreed to support the revised application for the conversion to form 4 new dwellings and the provision of a new pedestrian route between Stamages Lane car park and the churchyard. It was also agreed to support the associated Listed Building application.

PARISH COUNCIL

Public questions

Several written questions had been submitted. Cllr Rob Lewis responded to the query about a faster Broadband delivery. He explained that this had been delayed but said that progress was being made. Speeding traffic through Edge. The Chairman, Cllr Martin Slinger, explained that a Speed Monitoring group was being set up. The group would be trained by the police. Its members would make a list of hot spots and report these to the police. This would be a parish-wide initiative. Authority had been given to purchase a Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS). This would be a mobile facility. It would need to have the capability of recording speeds. It was hoped to have the VAS shortly. The meeting was informed that the Edge Net would carry a request for volunteers.

Another question concerned the possible inclusion of Holcombe Parish within that of Painswick. The County Council had said that the number of electors in Holcombe (25) did not justify the necessary administration costs involved in effecting the change. That said the council was prepared to receive an application.

Main meeting

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Ela Pathak-Sen and Anne Smith.

Matters of urgency. Chairman Cllr Martin Slinger told the meeting that he had been asked about camping on Common Land. He said that you could not park on Common Land without the permission of the owner. However this was a civil matter, not one for the police.

Painswick Youth Club project

A number of donations had been received. Consent for the planning application was awaited. There was optimism that the remaining £20,000 would be forthcoming.

Post Office

The Clerk reported that the provision of a post office facility within the village was still under consideration by Post Office Limited.

Canton Acre Turning Circle

It was reported that the District Council required the approval of the Highways Department before the reduction in the central area could be effected. It had been understood that this had been previously agreed. The Clerk would ask the District Council to speed up the action.

Parish Action Plan

Cllr Caroline White told the meeting that, having adopted the Parish Action Plan, the Council needed to agree how to progress and monitor the key actions. The Plan Working group recommended that Champions should be appointed for each section of the Plan. The Champions and relevant committees would review their Action Plan section in detail, identify actions and agree priorities. They would then agree completion targets and report these to the Council. It would be for the Champions to update the Council and maintain momentum on key actions. The proposal was that the Clerk would create an agenda item for the Action Plan updates at each full Council meeting. Cllr White said that the Action Plan was a living document which had to be reviewed regularly with quarterly updates. The Council endorsed the Working Group's proposals and went on to appoint individual Councillors as Champions of the various categories. Cllr White agreed to coordinate the actions as they were reported.

Tibbiwell Lane post box

A letter had been received from the Member of Parliament, Neil Carmichael, in which he expressed his concern at the Post Office's decision not to restore the post box. He was pursuing the matter.

County Councillor's report

Cllr Jason Bullingham had submitted a written report to the Parish Council. In the report he explained that, having lost overall control of the County Council at the election in May, the Conservative group had agreed to form a minority administration. Cllr Mark Hawthorne had been re-elected

as Council Leader with Conservative Councillors being appointed as Cabinet Members. Cllr Bullingham told the Parish Council that each County Councillor had been allocated £20,000 for road repairs. He was asked to consult with his parishes regarding priorities for pothole repairs. Because of the reduction in the number of County Councillors he had responsibility for 30 parishes. He said he believed that the priority should be for road repairs rather than potholes. Two extra gangs were being employed in the Southern Division.

Council Tax Support Funding

Stroud District Council (SDC) had written to all parish and town councils reminding them that the Government had abolished Council Tax Benefit from April this year and that the SDC had implemented a local Council Tax support scheme with 10% less Government funding. In January the SDC consulted with Painswick Parish Council whether it wished to receive its share of the funding in order to keep the Council Tax level stable. There was a rationale for not taking the funding because the amount for the Local Council Tax Support scheme in 2014/15 will be lower and councils will be forced to increase their precepts to maintain their spending levels or reduce services.

The SDC consultation with parish and town councils had resulted in a very split view and the councils were now asked to consider one of 5 options as a way forward. The Parish Council voted for Option 4 which would mean the Local Council Tax Support Funding for 2013/14 would be directed to funding projects that support the SDC's 'Jobs and Growth' agenda. A disadvantage of this option was that some smaller councils with no resources to put a bid together would miss out.

Sheepscombe Cricket Club

The cricket club had asked for a grant of £2,000 towards the purchase of the ground which they currently rented. Parish Councillors agreed that they could not afford this amount. They could not allocate Sheepscombe's Ward budget of £500 as this would leave no money for other needs. Cllr Bullingham said that £50,000 was available from County Council funds for such projects and he would follow this up. It was agreed to support the project in principle.

Sheepscombe Churchyard

A grant towards the maintenance of Sheepscombe Churchyard had been requested. The Clerk reminded the members that a sum of £1,000 had been earmarked for the 3 Parish Churchyards. A third of that sum would therefore be allocated to Sheepscombe.

Next Parish Council meeting

It was agreed that there should be no meeting in August unless a matter of urgency made a meeting necessary.

Stop Press

Excellent news and a challenge for Youth Club Appeal

The Appeal in last month's Beacon for £30,000 from our local Community to be able to start the work on the Youth Club building and the very tight time-scale may have looked like something of a mountain to climb. However, we have had notification from a large Trust, the Weston Foundation, that they are prepared to provide up to £20,000 of the target if the Painswick Community can raise just £10,000. This suddenly makes the project look extremely achievable if the Community really gets behind it over the next 4 weeks. At the time of going to press, we have already received cheques worth £3250 including recoverable Gift Aid, almost a third of what is now required to complete the £145,000 scheme. So we need just £5400 before Gift Aid during August, the equivalent of 54 households giving £100 or 108 families committing to £50. We are confident that the people of Painswick care enough about their young people to do this by supporting the Junior Football Club, Cricket Club and Youth Clubs to make this project a reality, having now got so close. Please consider whether you are in a position to help, and if so, drop a cheque into the Town Hall addressed to PSALMS, with your address on the back so that we can claim gift aid. And don't forget the Open Meeting at the Youth Club on August 5th if you want to see the full plans for both the building and the football pitches. Many thanks.

Andy Harding, Youth Minister, PSALMS and Dave Carlile, Painswick Junior Football Club

Jonas's Jumping Bean Media

Jonas Pollard has just completed his two-year course at Cirencester College achieving outstanding results in his BTEC Media and Communication course and now awaiting the result of his A level in Graphics. With every intention of going on to higher education he is nonetheless taking a gap year and, typical of Jonas, has decided to run his own business for that year. It is called Jumping Bean Media.

Jonas acknowledges that he learned a great deal during his time at college and was particularly inspired by the projects he undertook. A very serious student, he enjoyed all aspects of the course and also took on extra related activities over and above the required elements. His business is consequently a serious enterprise covering graphics, photography and video production. It is aimed at small businesses, social groups, individuals, in fact anyone who needs posters, business cards, leaflets, portrait photography, videos and the like.

With his own highly sophisticated camera he does also have access to all the other equipment and facilities necessary for the successful running of the business including a high-tech computer. And of course he has the skills to put it all to good effect.

Jonas really enjoys this area of work and sees his future career as possibly working in documentary film-making. He is keen to study for a degree in a related subject but is also aware of the need for a loan in order to attend university. Combined with his paper delivery round – many in Painswick will recognise him as the person who delivers Stroud Life – his new business will, he hopes, enable him to save towards the cost of his higher education.

Readers may also remember Jonas as the young man who cycled across the country two years ago to raise money for the Macmillan nurses charity after his mother was diagnosed with cancer. Jonas is still cycling and is already in daily training for a planned epic fund-raising ride across Europe next year in aid of the Macmillan charity and Cotswold Care Hospice.

Such enterprise, determination and energy in one so young are surely deserving of our support. Jonas can be contacted on 814149 or 07519826053 or email jonaspollard@hotmail.co.uk

Carol Maxwell

Cover Photograph

Our thanks to Michael Hall for providing the Beacon with this outstanding photograph of the Second World War aircraft above the Art Couture churchyard festivities.



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Painswick Arts Festival

We hope you are enjoying the Painswick Arts Festival so far. Events are continuing throughout August up to and including the August Bank Holiday Weekend so do come and join in the activities and visit some of the wonderful and varied exhibitions, most of which are free to enter.

Programmes are still available from around the village, particularly in the Painswick Centre lobby and at 'Seven' (the former post office) where you can also purchase TICKETS

DON'T MISS!

Mike Skidmore, Lecture/Demonstration.

"Painting a Classical Portrait"

Monday 19th August, Beacon Hall, 2.00 to 4.30 pm.

Tickets only £6.00 per head if bought in advance.

PLEASE NOTE THIS CHANGE OF DATE TO SOME PUBLICITY

Contact Jackie on 01452 813229 or painswick-artsfestival@mail.com for more details.

TICKETS FOR EVENTS - Tickets for ALL events are available from Karen in the (former) Post Office.

We sincerely thank all our sponsors and look forward to your support and participation. See you there!

The Painswick Beacon at 35

The Painswick Beacon celebrated its 35 years of publication at the Church Rooms on 28th June with a party for its team of some 40 distributors who take the newspaper to every dwelling in Painswick. Also present, in addition to the current members, were several members of the original founding group. Beacon Committee Chairman, Richard Aspinall, welcomed everyone and went on to



to speak of the team's sadness at the news of the death of his predecessor, Philip Oakley.

Richard thanked Celia Lougher for organising the event. He spoke of his and the team's appreciation for the commitment shown by the distributors in carrying out their deliveries

irrespective of the weather conditions: without that commitment the Beacon could not continue.

The event provided the opportunity for the team to thank Leslie Brotherton for the many years he had been involved



with the Beacon. He had joined the team as treasurer in 1993 succeeding John Jeffries who died in February of this year. Leslie remains as an associate member but has relinquished his editorial role. Richard presented Leslie with a book which was produced by a local author and contained scenes of Gloucestershire's countryside with relevant verse. Leslie thanked the team for their gift.

A splendid cake, decorated with pictures of the front covers of old Beacon copies, had been specially made for the occasion by Jenny Barber. The two current team members who had been members of the founding group, Eddie Buttrey and Terry Parker, were invited to cut the cake. Looking on in the photograph are founding members David Gunton (left) and Lynn Steer.

In conclusion, Richard thanked Leslie's son, Andrew, for playing the guitar throughout the evening.



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Painswick – more places to eat

Cotswolds88

Afternoon tea at Cotswolds88 is certainly very special. From just home-made scones and cakes through to the full works complete with an impressive range of sandwiches, all with a selection of teas from which to choose, this is an experience to grace any occasion. The added pleasure is that tea can be taken in any of the public areas of the hotel – the lounge areas, bar, dining room, gardens, balcony.

Needless to say, all the fare on offer is special. It is not for nothing that the hotel earned three rosettes for its fine dining. Manager, Greshan Naidoo, seen in the picture with Jake Smith who is one of the four chefs, describes the food served as having French influence but with an English twist. There are set lunches of two or three courses plus a bar menu available from 12 noon to 9.30pm. The restaurant is open seven days a week until 9.30pm and afternoon teas are served from 3.00-5.00pm. And just for Painswick residents – 2 for the price of 1 Sunday lunches are on offer until 31st October.



The hotel, which has 17 bedrooms, has become very popular as a venue for events such as weddings and private dinners. It does, of course, enjoy the perfect setting with stunning views across the valley. Greshan, who hails from Johannesburg and has 16 years experience in hotel management, loves the style of the hotel and its location. It cleverly combines a great sense of tranquillity and beauty with vivacious decor to provide a lovely space in which to relax and enjoy truly excellent food.

The Rococo Restaurant

The restaurant at the Rococo Garden must be one of very few that can proudly declare an almost complete local sourcing of the produce used in its fare. At present the kitchen garden is providing an abundance of salad and vegetables freshly brought up to the kitchen every day – and the range is really good with the result that the menu is always seasonal and interesting.

Paul Moir explains that a real emphasis is on making that part of the garden relate back to the original 18th century plan, including the vegetables grown there. As he points out, the Rococo garden is quintessentially an area for growing edible plants, not flowers, so the kitchen section is at the very core.

In the autumn the fruit will become the main crop and will be used to make pies, cakes, chutneys and so on. All the fruit trees are heritage varieties many of which are better for cooking purposes than more recent types. Any excess fruit goes to Days Cottage Fruit Juices and Kitchen Garden Foods, both local companies. Everything served in the restaurant is home-made and home-cooked and, as many of the ingredients are grown just yards away, it could not be fresher.



Apart from what comes up from the garden itself, other local suppliers are Simon Weaver Cotswold Organic Dairy, The Country Butcher, Day's Cottage Apple Juice and The Artisan Baker. The good wholesome food served in the Rococo restaurant is unsurpassed for freshness and genuine home cooking and as an example of how to provide a really excellent service based almost entirely on locally-sourced ingredients it is to be applauded.

The Rococo Garden

The garden of course is a joy, a haven of tranquillity and interest and also a space for all sorts of events from weddings to parties to meetings. On 14th and 15th August a production of Twelfth Night will be performed at 6.30pm. But this will be no ordinary production. The company is The Handlebards, a four-strong, all-male troupe of travelling players, playing 40 characters. They are spending two months travelling from Glasgow to London by bicycle (926 miles) carrying with them all the necessary props, sets and costumes to give performances of two Shakespearean plays at 26 venues en route including Painswick Rococo. It promises to be lively, different, surprising and performed on eight rather sore legs!

You can buy a ticket which can be used for either performance as you wish. Now there's an event not to be missed!

Carol Maxwell

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Community Library welcomes HRH the Duke of Gloucester.... "Creepy House"and Art Couture!



Painswick Community Library was honoured to be visited by the Duke of Gloucester on Tuesday July 16th. The Duke was greeted by Cllr. Martin Slinger, Chairman of the Parish Council and David Glass Chairman of Community Library in Painswick (CLIP). Once in the Library he was shown round by Pat Francis, Librarian and met all the assembled volunteers. Also present was Mrs Ceris Towler, Head of the Croft school and five of her pupils.

Delicious refreshments were prepared and kindly donated by Brian and Ximena from "Olivas". There was a lot to interest the Duke, a display by Art Couture invited curious comment and he also asked about the "Creepy House" Reading Challenge.

Both displays were put up the previous weekend and the library had been open from 11 to five pm on Sunday 14th July. During this time lots of children came in to make hats to display on the lunchtime

cat-walk and in the afternoon they put together a frieze for the library wall. CLIP is very grateful to Vicky Hendzel-Walker from "Crafty Kids" who gave her time to run these activities. Overall the library had 311 visitors and made £49 on book sales.

You can still enjoy the displays and there's plenty of time to get started on the Reading Challenge (don't forget to bring your library card). To finish and receive a medal and certificate children between four and 12 are expected to read six books during the summer holidays. Along the way they will collect stickers, a book mark and a glow-in-the-dark wrist band. There's also a quiz to complete if you want to test yourself. Last year 41 children completed the Challenge, equivalent to the 2008 number in the county run library --- can you improve on that this year?



HRH The Duke of Gloucester

After all the excitement of the past few weeks, it's back to normal. The library is not just about activities or for children, it's open for everyone. New books are added regularly and there is also a board showing other people's recommendations. Please add your ideas or suggest books for purchase. Access to the four computers is free and WiFi is available. There will be a further computer course in the autumn and details of the operation of the "Computer Buddy" scheme will be available shortly. In the meantime all our volunteers are willing to help, just ask if you need assistance.

Painswick Community library is open in the upper hall of the Town Hall on Wednesdays and Fridays from 10-1 and 3-6 and Saturdays from 10-1.

Pat Francis, Librarian

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We do not unfortunately have the resources to employ additional GPs and no additional funding is available to us to take on locum GPs to absorb the excess. Every service within the NHS is facing financial cuts and restrictions. We must protect what we have available to you, but we can only do this with your help and support. If you cannot make an appointment you have booked, or you no longer require that appointment, do please contact us to cancel it. We will ALWAYS have someone who needs it!

With thanks for your co-operation.

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Yorkshire is this year's choice of destination for the Cotteswold Naturalists' 7-day summer excursion (1st – 7th September). Renowned for its dales, moors, vales and coastline, our visit to Yorkshire is based in a comfortable Holiday Inn from where we venture each day to places of interest across a rich and varied landscape. Garden design over four centuries is a special theme this year, from the fortified manor house and gardens of Raby Castle to the contemporary and unique Scampston Walled Garden. The itinerary also includes two heritage railways, Carlisle to Settle and Whitby to Pickering, the latter delivering participants to the seaside to enjoy Whitby's famous fish and chips. A small number of places are still available, so non-members are welcome to join us on what is regarded as the highlight of our year's programme and on which, by tradition, friendships are made and cemented. Departure from Stamages Lane car park. Contact the organiser Peter T Wilson (01453 834486) or email peterwilson@dsl.pipex.com for details and cost. (Or telephone Jane Rowe, details below).

There is still a chance – if you're quick – to bag a seat on Patrick Ridgwell's trip to Blaenavon Ironworks and Big Pit (with optional tour underground) on Tuesday 6th August by contacting him on 813230.

Jane Rowe, Membership Tel. 813228



Cup Cakes for Carers Observed



What sort of image does Cup Cakes for Carers conjure up. Nothing very much; one must admit, no idea of its activity or happenings is conveyed.. So I thought I, as an observer of its short existence, would like to open it up, giving a wider appreciation of why and what makes it tick.

Folk who are caring for someone who is not fully able to look after themselves, most often a lifelong partner, do not think themselves 'carers' under that word's formal usage. But they actually are and often find themselves willingly tied by their sense of duty or bond to that someone, to be on hand to help and serve that someone to such an extent they have few off-duty moments to meet other folk or simply to have a chat about how others 'in the same boat' are managing. Opportunities to exchange knowledge of similar problems met and overcome can be a great help to someone meeting them for the first time. There are lots of devices and gadgets available for easing or solving everyday problems that one does not normally get to know about other than by hearing about them from someone else. So Cup Cakes for Carers was conceived to fill that gap as an afternoon drop-in-cup-of-tea-time where such experiences might be found enjoying a cup of tea and a cake in a rare moment of care free time.

And does it fill that gap? Well, yes it does. But only so far as folk use the opportunities on offer. In the near two years it has existed, Painswick's Cup Cakes for Carers has become a small group of experienced regulars and a few 'drop-ins' that clearly find themselves enjoying the teas and cakes, and benefiting from the information and experiences shared. This takes place once a month at Painswick Centre's Green Room, on the first Tuesday afternoon. There is no membership or set time. One just drops in at any time between 1.30pm and 4.30pm for as long as you like. Pat Burrows, its organiser, is there with the knowledgeable Andrea Linsell, a retired Occupational Therapist, with her portable shop window of discounted specialist aids to living. A battery operated shopping scooter is available, by arrangement, for trial driving purposes and using it for walker-accompanied trips in the open air.

Obviously more carers might participate in these gatherings once it is realised what they provide, that there is helpful information to be gained there and to pass on. Not only that, there are cups of tea and cakes to be had as well (at no charge). The chatting cannot be categorised. It covers pretty well most things that are happening in Painswick which otherwise might be missed. Whilst this is explicitly for the benefit of 'carers', caring charges may be brought when no one is available to 'hold the fort'; it has been a revelation to find these enjoying a chat on occasion when an interest is sparked off.

A reluctance to drop in for tea, a chat, a cake and what have you is understandable because the natural reaction 'I'm not a carer', 'it's not for me' or 'it's not my scene' may come to mind as the first thought. But it is what you can add or may take away that counts. The next meeting is on September 3rd. See you there?

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The Singers' Tale

Painswick Singers' next Autumn Concert, falling close upon Halloween, brought conductor Andrew Hopwood under Halloween's spell, inspiring him to mount a programme of Witches, of Crime and Dastardly Deeds enough to scare the living daylight of our audience. There will be a Witches' chorus from Verdi's Macbeth and the Priest's chorus from Mozart's Magic Flute leading the counterattack, whilst younger members will enjoy a selection of numbers to Defy Gravity from Wicked, the hit West End musical. There will also be a selection from Gilbert's & Sullivan's "Ruddigore" (or "The Witch's Curse,") with its story of the Murgatroyd ancestral portraits coming to life to torture the hapless incumbent, Sir Ruthven, for failing to commit a decent crime a day, told by John Dickenson in his accustomed witty way. We will be offering free entry for children if they come with green painted faces.

Now, La pièce de résistance of the Concert programme and hereby hangs the Singers' Tale. Our Hon. Treas. with his ear to the ground for a replacement rehearsal accompanist for the Singers, was chatting to the man sitting next to him at a local musical event. Yes, you guessed it, this person just happened to be a pianist and yes, he became our accompanist as of last January. Only later did it emerge that the new accompanist, one Geoffrey Poole, is a well established British composer with some eighty broadcasts, fifty published works and representation on several top CD labels: and, what is more, a recently retired professor and head of Music at Bristol University.

When Andrew mentioned the idea of a new piece for the next Halloween concert, Geoffrey began to search for poems. After two unsuccessful attempts he discovered The Hag by the Devonshire pastor-poet Robert Herrick, dating back to the Civil War in 1648. Geoffrey has written "in costume" as he puts it - in a traditional tonal language with an ongoing witch's gallop, and dramatic twists and turns. So, The Ballad of Halloween Hag was born and has now been published, though we have yet to give it voice (Geoff. tells me it is not too hard for the singers but the keyboard part is quite tricky - look who is complaining!). The Autumn Concert will be its World Premiere Performance that promises to be a highlight of the autumn season and is happening right here in The Painswick Centre on Saturday October 26th at 7.30pm. Come and be terrified out of your wits!

Or, if you are a singer, join The Singers (Monday evenings 7.30pm in the Church Rooms from 3rd September) and help terrorise the audience.

Maurice Maggs for the Painswick Singers

Many thanks to all of you who bought a drink from the bar in the Beacon Hall on "Art Couture Painswick" day. All profits will be used to maintain and improve your Painswick Centre.



The Trustees hope you had a

"peep" into the Gardiner room while there as it was finished a few days beforehand. It is now ready for occupation from 1st August.

The Trustees apologise there is currently no disabled access to the Cotswold or Green rooms. The new stair lift is currently being manufactured and will be fitted as soon as it is ready.

Our Summer Cafe in the Skittle Alley will be open from Wednesday 7th August until Bank Holiday Monday 26th August (excluding Mondays and Tuesdays in between) from 10.30a.m. to 5.00p.m. We shall be selling Teas, coffees and cold drinks (and soup if the weather changes!) rolls, homemade cakes and cream teas. Do please come along and chat with the Trustees (not with your mouths full please!) about plans for the future. As always any profits are invested in the Centre.

For more information please visit our website <http://www.thepainswickcentre.com/> or ring our manager Jennie on 814567 on Tuesday or Thursday mornings.

David Linsell 812464

Letter from El Contador

May I introduce another player onto the Contador stage; our electrician, Angel - pronounced An-hel, the "h" is formed and delivered from the back of the throat, so be careful not to spit onto your Beacon. I don't know about you, but electricians have always been - pardon the inverted pun - a "dark art" to me. Changing a light bulb and fitting a plug are about the limits of my knowledge. We first met this polite and friendly man after we had been in the house for a couple of months when he turned up to offer a quotation for the complete rewiring of our property. No sooner had he stepped over the threshold, he said in a shocked voice, "touch nothing until I make your house safe." Many rural village properties had no electricity even up to the 1960's, in fact our neighbours' elderly parents by their own choice still have none. As time went by houses were wired up piecemeal and even connected into the national grid by their owners, with little or no reference to safety. After Angel and his apprentice David (accent on "a" as in cat) had made the place temporarily safe we were thankful that we had not been electrocuted. The rewiring job took weeks of dust and rubble involving channeling through stone in all four walls in every room. Happily, after Council inspection, we were returned to the 21st. Century. Angel has done more work for us over the years, is always on time, refuses tea, coffee and even vino. His prices are very reasonable. We have his card should you need a thoroughly reliable and qualified electrician.....

Christopher Piper-Short



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Auditions



Painswick Players intend to present two short plays in November, each about home life in England during the First World War: 'After the Ball is Over' by Lynn Brittney and 'The Harness Maker's Son' by Swithin Fry and George Krasker.

Auditions will be held in the Cotswold Room at the Painswick Centre from 7.00 pm. on Thursday 5th September. Audition pieces will be available from krasker@gmail.com from 25th August. Rehearsals will be on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from mid-September, while the performance venue is yet to be announced. For further information email krasker@gmail.com.

Annual General Meeting

The Painswick Players AGM is to be held in the Cotswold Room at the Painswick Centre on Thursday 26th September beginning at 7.30 pm.. This is a particularly important meeting at which the future of the Painswick Players is to be considered. Everyone who has an interest in amateur theatre in Painswick is invited to attend. Wine will be served from 7.00 pm.

Stephen Friar, Chairman

Local History Teaser

You can probably work out where this picture was taken but can you say when, what the business was and who the people are? Please do contact us if you can provide the answers.

In the June edition the photograph showed some Painswick children dressed up to celebrate VJ Day. The little drummer boy on the right-hand end is David Archard, the little girl next-but-one is Ann Daniels and next to her is Jenny Gauguin. No-one identified any of the children – so who are the 'three old men of Painswick' at the other end?

If you have a photograph which would interest readers please do make contact.

Carol Maxwell



Seniors' Art Display

The Wednesday Ashwell Group - the WAGS – will be exhibiting their creative skills for the first time at St Michael's Restaurant during the month of August. In recent years the WAGS have been active in art and craft workshops. These sessions have covered a diverse range of skills, including drawing and painting, work with clay, paper sculpture and a variety of textile techniques.

For some members the sessions have been their first steps since their schooldays into arts and crafts. For others the workshops have been a novel experience. The work on display presents the final results of the contributory inputs of all the participants.

The Wednesday Ashwell Group provides an opportunity for senior members of the community to meet together on a regular basis, to socialize and make new friends. During the year outings for lunch and to the theatre are arranged. Occasionally outside speakers are invited to the meetings. Meetings are held each Wednesday at Ashwell House between 10.30am and 3pm. Coffee, lunch and teas are served to members.

Further information may be obtained from:

Etelle James. Tel: 01452 813358.

Ann Kenber: Tel: 01452 813259

Olivas award

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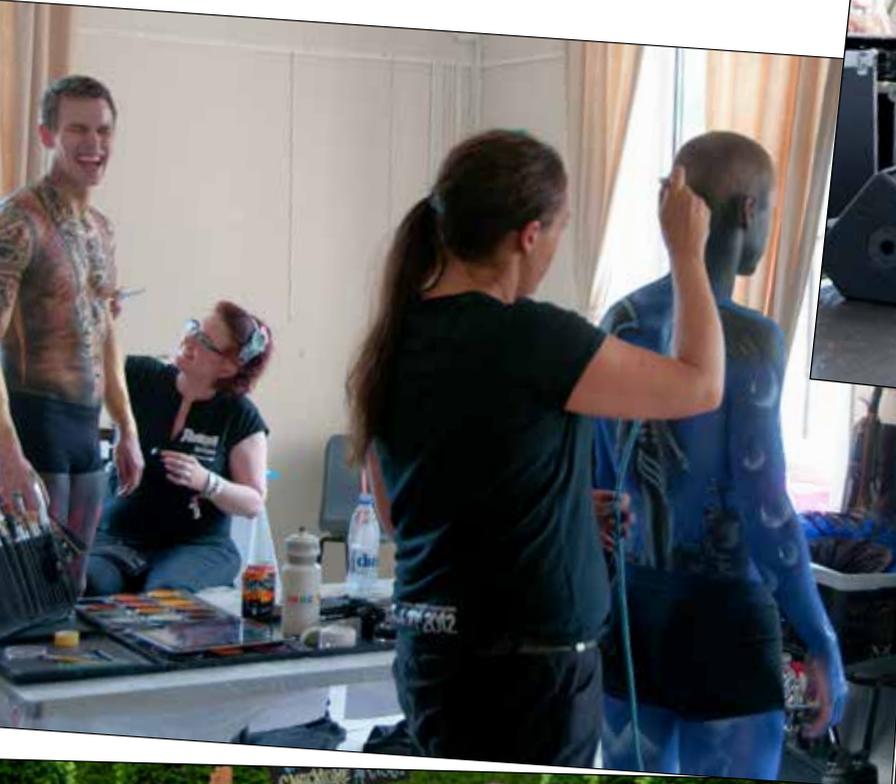


No-one could have imagined a short time ago that the weekend perhaps too hot! Everyone agreed that the Saturday evening had phosis-themed parade by children of The Croft School followed was followed by sets from some of the best loc
The Sunday brought another sun drenched day with Painswick people enjoying the musical entertainment and the many attracti Festival reflects considerable credit on the members of the team w year and increasingly recognised as a unique attraction with a re Couture weekend marks the sta
Photos by J



Festival
Sunday
13 July 2014

...d would be blessed with glorious sunshine – for some, at times
...been a great success with the programme featuring a a metamor-
...by musical performances from their Year 6 Summer Show. This
...cal musical talent with delicious food available.
...ck's streets soon overflowing with thousands of visitors and local
...ons with the wearable art competition having pride of place. The
...who organised the event which has become a feature of Painswick's
...putation extending well beyond our county's boundaries. The Art
...rt of the Painswick Arts festival.
...enny Bircher.



Croft School News

Head teacher Ceris Towler writes in her newsletter:

It is with sadness that I share the news that after twenty years, Mrs Ratcliffe will be leaving the school. She will be much missed by adults and children alike. Her contribution cannot be underestimated – she has so many different talents, from supporting children to achieve academically, leading First Aid, to being chief costume maker! She will leave a large gap which we will find very hard to fill. We wish her much happiness with her family and young grandsons, and hope that she will come back to visit us.

This year we will also be saying goodbye to Rachel Anderson, who has been working in Class 2 and is returning to Canada and to Jenny Underhay, our Year 4 teacher. We wish them both good luck for their future ventures and thank them for all they have contributed to The Croft.



Rail Closures

Reminder

Work on the redoubling of the track between Kemble and Swindon is going to cause some disruption to the usual train services in August. A new timetable is now available covering the period 10th August to 1st September.

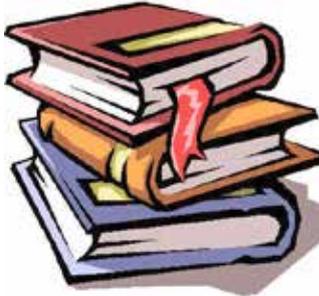
Services to/from Paddington will involve a bus stage between Kemble and Swindon and the journey times to/from Paddington will be longer. Check the new timetable for details.



Bibliomania and the Vikings



It is said that the more obscure the title, the more interesting the subject. This was certainly the case on the morning of 26th June when Chris Amison gave us a fascinating talk on the life of Sir Thoms Phillipps, a man born at the beginning of the 18th Century, who when at Oxford started to collect books and manuscripts from all over the world. An unpopular man for most of his life, he was forced to move to larger premises and chose Thirlestaine House, now part of the College in Cheltenham. After his death, the cellar revealed even more treasures which



were found in purpose built crates, these were gradually sold by his family, the last lot as recently as 2002. Libraries and Museums in many countries have benefitted from this extraordinary man's obsession.

At our next meeting Probus Members welcomed back Tore Fauske, this time with a most entertaining talk about his ancestors, The Vikings. He did not deny their reputation and gave his version of history as to how they moved from being peaceful traders to pillaging and other things. These adventurers travelled to many parts of the world, including America, Russia and North Africa. He amused members with new definitions of certain Viking words and left us to puzzle which to believe.

Guests are very welcome to the main hall in the Painswick Centre each Wednesday fortnightly. 10.00am Coffee – 10.30am Start (see Beacon diary). Forthcoming highlights will be a talk on the Swansea Bay Tidal Lagoon Project and later in October David Owen will give us a presentation on the Gloucestershire economy present and future. Both talks are of special interest and will therefore be open to other clubs and societies.

Alan Hudson

Craft Exhibition

An exhibition of work by Anne Weare, Bookbinder, in the Painswick Centre Green Room.

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Crime Report

Below is a list of incidents reported to us between June 18 and July 18:

Inc 65 of June 18 - Theft from a motor vehicle, Gloucester Street, Painswick. Between 10.45pm on 17/06 and 6.15am on 18/06. A doctor's bag, book of prescriptions and various clothing was stolen from a Volkswagen Golf. The doctor's bag was recovered.

Inc 77 of June 18 - Theft from a motor vehicle, Canton Acre, Painswick. Between midnight and 6pm on June 18. Sat Nav and rucksack stolen from a Hyundai Elantra. Rucksack was recovered some time later.

Inc 268 of June 20 - Theft from a motor vehicle, Butt Green, Painswick between 4pm on June 17 and 7.25pm on June 18. An iPod and £5 in change was taken from a Renault Clio.

Inc 165 of June 25 - Shed burglary at a property on Sheepscombe Lane, Painswick between 3am on June 20 and 12pm on June 25. A power strimmer was taken from the shed.

Inc 416 of July 8 - Theft of green Land Rover Defender from property on Sheepcombe Lane, Painswick between 4pm and 4.30pm on June 8.

Inc 413 of July 9 - Theft of a plant pot from a property on Friday Street, Painswick at around 5pm on July 9. The offender was challenged by the occupants and returned the plant pot.

*Simon Masters
Media and Communications Advisor
Gloucestershire Constabulary*

What a difference three weeks' sunshine can make! We have had a late flush of flowers, especially the common spotted orchid, just when we had begun to bemoan a poor year! So the July 28th Butterfly Walk was blessed, pity if you missed it.



Meister Masonry at Catbrain Quarry have helped the Manor and PBCG by making improvements to the car parking area, blocking access to the fly-tipping locations, and adding passing places on the road from the quarry down to the A46, Cheltenham Road. They also have some surplus limestone 'gravel' which is FREE to collect from the quarry entrance. It is good for filling potholes etc., as with added water it will consolidate firmly and not be dusty. For more details, phone Meister on 814421.

PBCG will be having two more extra work parties in August before the usual winter programme starts in September. They will be on Saturdays 3rd and 17th from 10am to 1pm. For location details: 813734.

David Allott, Chairman



The Magic of Bird Migration.

Bird migration covers a number of seasonal happenings and involves some overlapping of bird activity. The arrival of Summer visitors from March onwards coincides with departures of Winter visitors to their breeding grounds in Northern and Eastern Europe and vice-versa in Autumn. It is possible to know where Spring visitors come from but not where their final destination may be. Wheatears passing through in May could end up in Greenland.

That is part of the magic of watching birds migrating, the mystery of their origins and destinations. One of the best places locally to see this in action is Painswick Beacon. Regular watches take place, early morning to midday, from August to April to log the different species passing through. Crossbills have been seen in July already and the first Swifts moving south. Birds pass over southwards or follow the Scarp Edge towards the Severn estuary.

Typical birds recorded during Autumn migration include Yellow wagtail, Swallow, House martin, Tree pipit, Wheatear, Hobby and Spotted flycatcher. Late September onwards there is a strong passage of Common gulls, Wood pigeons, Meadow pipit, Siskin, Redpoll, Chaffinch, Brambling, Fieldfare and Redwing. Rarer birds do turn up and last year Hawfinch, Firecrest, Merlin, Woodcock and Osprey were seen.

Why not visit the Beacon and experience a different kind of bird watching.

*John Fleming.
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Chatworth House and the Cavendish Family



On June 25th we had an excellent talk on the above by Gillian White which was illustrated throughout by portraits of the Cavendish family from 1550 to 1850. Sir William Cavendish began the building of Chatsworth in 1550 but it was not completed until after his death by his third wife Bess of Hardwick. At the time of his death he owed £5300 but fortunately Bess was a good friend of that other Bess, Elizabeth the First who let her off some of the debt and the remaining £1000 was settled by her new husband! The benefit of knowing the helping royalty continues throughout the Cavendish Family as they climb the social ladder. Sir William's second son becomes the first Earl of Devonshire following his loan of £11,000 to James the Second. The fourth Earl plots with others to overthrow the King and install William of Orange for which he is rewarded with a place at court and a Dukedom in 1694. He starts rebuilding Chatsworth in several phases over 20 years – very lavish and formal ornate gardens of the 17th/18th century style – these are only there for about 20 years.

The fourth Duke becomes Prime Minister for a short time. The fifth Duke married the beautiful Georgiana who became a political hostess for the Whig party. There was much lampooning of this in the press which annoyed the Duke and following Georgina's affair with Charles Grey (Earl Grey of tea fame) and when she became pregnant was banished but a year later he relented and following her death in her early 40's married his mistress. The sixth Duke doesn't marry but makes vast improvements to the house – a state of the art kitchen, library and a dining room where Princess Victoria had her first grown up meal. He built the sculpture gallery and employed Joseph Paxton as head gardener. The Emperor fountain was created – 263 foot high and the great conservatory, the centre aisle of which was wide enough for two carriages to be driven through side by side. He died in 1858 and was much mourned by all. It was an excellent talk delivered with so much knowledge and verve that we were all left wanting more.

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Food for Sport

Painswick Community Lunches were held each Monday from October to Easter at Ashwell House Centre from 12noon to 1.15pm and raised a staggering £1240, of which £410 was kindly donated to Painswick Youth Football Club. Painswick Youth Football Club wishes to thank all those who contributed to raising these funds. This donation has enabled the club to buy a 9v9 set of goal posts which adhere to new FA guidelines for our Under 11 and Under 12 age groups next season. The picture shows Painswick Youth Football Club Under 10 manager, Jason Radford, shaking hands with Painswick Community Lunches Treasurer, David Linsell, after being presented with the £410 donation.



The Painswick U10's team also pictured, will use these goals next season. They have just finished a very successful season, winning the Mid Glos Mini Soccer league central division. They have also been asked to represent the league at the ACES National Football Tournament in Leicestershire at the end of June.

Come and play football at Painswick!

With the new season approaching, Painswick Youth Football Club would like to appeal for new players aged U7 - U15. In particular, players who will be year 5 (U10) and year 7 (U12) in September. We are also seeking anyone who would be interested in helping with coaching. Full training can be provided. We are a successful and friendly club and welcome all newcomers.

For further details please contact Julia on 07701059308 (after 5pm please)

Support Community Lunches!

Community lunches have a 44-year tradition in Painswick and with your help will continue to prosper. Look out for them resuming again in October this year.

For information please contact Rita Bishop (814205) or David Linsell (812464)

David Carlile, Treasurer Painswick Youth Football Club, 812381 or 07879866636

Motocross

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John Rhodes



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Golf

Honours degree for Painswick's Lead Greenkeeper

Simon Pearce, the Lead Greenkeeper for Painswick Golf Club, has been awarded a BSC Honours degree in "Sports turf science and management" from the University of Central Lancashire. The 2 year external course covered the many aspects of turf and soil management including environmental and biotechnical issues.

Simon joined Painswick Golf Club way back in 2004 after 8 years at Cotswold Hills golf club. The Painswick golf course provides many challenges for any greenkeeper with the constant stream of vandalism to the course especially to the greens, which then need time consuming repair work. Even periods of drought bring problems, as the course does not have water laid on and the greens need to be watered by a bowser pulled laboriously up the hill from the club house. No chemical spraying is permitted on the fairways which makes maintenance that much harder to keep the quality up to standard and there are restrictions as to when and where grass areas may be strimmed.

The public do not always appreciate the hard work that the greenkeeping team put into keeping the Beacon the way it looks with its open vistas providing an ideal recreational area.

Simon hopes that with this extra qualification to eventually move more into an advisory role using his recently gained knowledge. Simon would like to thank the many club members who completed his questionnaire for his dissertation.



Cricket

July 1st and 2nd XI results

Sat 6th. Painswick 1st XI 241 (E Bressington 52) Westbury & District 1st XI 242-6.

Lydney 2nd XI 273-2 Painswick 2nd XI 132 (P Morris 35).

Wed 10th. Ullenwood Bharat 142-7 Painswick 127-6.

Sat 13th. Painswick 1st XI 219 (J Griffiths 76) Chipping Sodbury 1st XI 174.

Tewkesbury 2nd XI 158-9 Painswick 2nd XI 160-7 (D Britton 80).

Sat 20th. Painswick 1st XI 147 Lechlade 1st XI 151-2.

Cinderford St John 2nd XI 129 (B Neville 5-26) Painswick 2nd XI 133-0 (G MacDuff 52*)

Sun 21st. Painswick 241-4 (A Armistead 67) Chalford 154.

August fixtures at Broadham

Sat 3rd. Painswick 2nd XI v Apperley 2nd XI.

Sat 10th. Painswick 1st XI v Chippenham 1st XI.

Sun 11th. Painswick v Sutton Bengier.

Sat 17th. Painswick 2nd XI v Charlton Kings 2nd XI.

Sat 24th. Painswick 1st XI v Potterne 1st XI.

Sat 31st. Painswick 2nd XI v Corse & Staunton 2nd XI.



Police Report

Valuable Antiques Taken in Painswick Burglary



Police are appealing for information after a number of valuable antiques were taken from a house in Painswick.

The incident happened at the home on Greenhouse Lane between 2.30pm and 3.15pm on Friday July 19.

Offenders entered the house through an insecure downstairs window and once inside searched a number of rooms before taking:

1 silver teapot, 1 silver sugar shaker, 1 electric lamp, 1 brass dish, 1 jewellery box, 1 wooden tea caddy, 1 silver 'hippo' salt and pepper shaker

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A while back, we had a very informative training session on the subject of "Funding our own care" but possibly because I, like so many of us out there want to be an ostrich and bury my head in the sand, I put off writing about it! Well, the time has come. We all need to really look at this difficult subject. If



we are living longer and longer, the chances are that one in four of us will need long term care or support as we get older. So we need to plan NOW in order to remain as independent as possible. If you are paying the full cost of your care you may have

- Chosen not to approach the Gloucestershire County Council (GCC) for help
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- Been assessed and are eligible for social care support, however your savings and assets are above £23,250, and therefore not eligible for financial support

At the moment GCC's resources can only be provided if the social care needs fall within the Critical or substantial bands of eligibility. CRITICAL needs; when life is or will be threatened

- Serious abuse or neglect has or will occur
- When the person is unable to carry out vital personal care tasks.

SUBSTANTIAL needs;

- Abuse or neglect will or has occurred
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- Most family or social roles cannot be undertaken

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Please seek specialist advice before selecting your care and you may not have to sell your home or use all your assets to fund your care.

PayingForCare is a not for profit organisation providing independent advice and information. If you want to use a different organisation, check that the provider belongs to the "Society of Later Life Advisors" (SOLLA).*

I will not be available in August so any urgent enquiries should be passed to the GCC Adult Help Desk or my colleague Angela King on 07776 245791

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PayingForCare: 0808 208 9994

Age UK 01452 422660

Advocacy 0800 6446448

Quality Care Commission (info on care providers) 03000 616161

Gloucestershire Care Providers Ass 01242 662056

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*Information for this article has been sourced from the "Funding your own care" document available from GCC Adult Helpdesk

Lou Kemp 07776 245767

PROPERTY REPORT for July from Hamptons International

As I sit in our lovely converted chapel (without air conditioning!) in the heart of Painswick it is easy to feel I am overheating but for once it seems there is also evidence to suggest the housing market is also warming up nicely!

The Nationwide Building Society has reported a year-on-year increase in June of 1.9% nationally. London is still hogging the lion's share of this growth but here in the South West we are 1.5% higher than 12 months ago. Interestingly, it is also commented that London prices (where the financial crisis began) are now 5% higher than at the peak of the market in 2007 whereas prices in the rest of the country are now languishing typically 9% below 2007 levels.

July has seen Mark Carney take the reins as Governor at the Bank of England and, contrary to normal policy, he has already been making ripples by giving "forward guidance" that under his watch interest rates are likely to remain low in order to avoid harming a fragile recovery with rising longer term rates. We believe that this is good news for the economy as it will encourage households and business to spend and invest now giving the economy a much needed boost in the knowledge that borrowing will remain affordable for some time.

Hamptons own data shows that housing market activity is on the up with sales agreed being up 15% year-on-year and new applicants (demand) being up 30% across our network. Here in Painswick we are seeing equally positive results with sales in June

and July already up 60% on last year and we still have two weeks to go in July - with sunshine dawn till dusk and a buoyant housing market we really could have a vintage year ahead of us!

We have had a lot of new instructions since last writing but briefly they include: Setonfield on Vicarage Street, a refurbishment project; South View on Vicarage Street, a 3 bed cottage in superb condition; Maisie Cottage on Vicarage Street, a semi-detached cottage with parking and views; Culvert Cottage on Kingsmill Lane, a detached period house in ¾ acre plot; Tythe Cottage on Vicarage Street, a 4 bed character cottage; Lords Wood Cottage in Sheepscombe, a very contemporary stone property with superb views; Cyprus Cottage in Sheepscombe, a pretty family house in an elevated setting; Rose Cottage in Sheepscombe, a stylishly renovated and extended cottage; Goldcrest in Sheepscombe, a cottage offering great views with planning for a striking extension; Timbercombe in Jacks Green, a 4 bedroom family house with generous gardens; and Commodious Chapel in Edge, a superb open plan chapel conversion.

There have also been plenty of houses going under offer recently as follows: The Watch House, New House in Knapp Lane, 15 Churchill Way, Stepping Stone Lane, 9 Hyett Orchard, Woodside and Woodcote all in Painswick; The Coach House, Gate House and Tree Tops in Edge; Briar Cottage in Sheepscombe, Eastgate in Cranham, Fern Cottage in Birdlip and Greenacre in Slad.

Guy Tabony, Branch Manager

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AUGUST

Thu	1	Art in the Garden (daily until Sept 15th) Gill Allen & The Ashwell Group : works on display daily until end of August	Rococo Garden St Michael's Restaurant	11.00am to 5.00pm Daily
Fri	2	Country Studios Art Exhibition (also 3rd & 4th) daily	Church Rooms	10.00am to 5.00pm
Sat	3	Saturday Market; various stalls - every Saturday until September Exhibition & Demonstration of Bookbinding by Anne Weare - daily until Sun 11 August Friends of Rococo: Open Air film in the Garden "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf"	Town Hall. Lower Room P. Centre, Green Room Rococo Garden	9.00am to 2.00pm 10.00am to 5.00pm 6.30 for 7.00pm
Sun	4	Holy Communion (BCP) Sung Eucharist Arts Festival Photography Exhibition & Competition, and exhibition of costumes from Art Couture (until 11 August) Evensong (BCP)	St Mary's Church St Mary's Church P. Centre Beacon Hall	8.00am 10.00am 10.00am to 5.00pm
Mon	5	Valerie Duggan & Paul Gray Exhibition of Calligraphy, Botanical Art & Paper Sculpture - daily until 11th Aug Short Mat Bowls - Mondays (contact 813627) Yoga (Mondays) contact Kim 812623 Painswick Community Choir - Mondays (Enquiries: Sophie 01453 298138)	St Mary's Church P. Centre Cots. Room Town Hall Sheepscombe Vill. Hall Painswick Centre	4.00pm 10.00am to 5.00pm 10.30am 6.30 to 8.00pm & 8.15 to 9.45pm 7.00 to 8.30pm
Tue	6	Cotteswold Naturalists Field Club Coach trip to Blaenavon & The Big Pit: Enq. 813230 Bingo: Tuesdays – Tel. Ann, 813911/Liz, 813139	Stamages Car Park Ashwell House	 6.30 to 9.00pm
Wed	7	Yoga (Wednesdays) contact Kim 812623	Sheepscombe Vill. Hall	9.30 to 11.00am
Thu	8	Yoga - All Abilities (Thursdays) Cotswold Room 812623 T'ai Chi: Thursdays - Contact 812344 Dog Training Club (Thursdays) Jolly Stompers Line Dancing: Beginners - Thursdays Experienced beginners - Thursdays	Painswick Centre Town Hall Church Rooms Town Hall Town Hall Town Hall	9.30 to 11.00am 9.30am 9.30 to 12.00noon 12.00 to 1.00pm 12.30 to 1.30pm 10.00am
Fri	9	Country Market: Coffee available - Fridays Cranham Feast begins - BBQ, Sports etc.	Town Hall Cranham	Evening
Sat	10	Friends of Rococo Garden: Picnic in the Garden Cranham Feast: Stalls, entertainment etc., Deer Roast, BBQ etc (on Cranham Cricket Field)	Rococo Garden Cranham	6.30 to 9.30pm
Sun	11	Holy Communion (BCP) Cranham Feast Outdoor animal service, followed by music & cricket on the cricket field Family Communion & Holy Baptism	St Mary's Church St. James Church St Mary's Church	8.00am 10.00am
Mon	12	Exhibition & Demonstration of Japanese Embroidery by Jackie Hall - daily until 18th August Barbara Wyatt & Joan Rabe: exhibition of paintings - daily until 18th August	P.Centre, Green Room P. Centre, Cots. Room	10.00am to 5.00pm 10.00am to 5.00pm
Wed	14	The Handle Bards perform Twelfth Night (also 15th)	Rococo Garden	5.45 for 6.30pm
Thu	15	Gloucestershire Guild of Craftsmen Summer Show - daily until 18th August	P. Centre Beacon Hall	10.00am to 5.00pm
Sun	18	Holy Communion (BCP) Sung Eucharist	St Mary's Church St Mary's Church	8.00am 10.00am
Mon	19	Woodchester Photographic Group - The Cotswold Way in Focus - exhibition of photography - daily until 25th Aug. Lecture / demo. 'Painting a classical portrait' - Mike Skidmore (tickets available from former Post Office)	P. Centre Cots. Room P. Centre Beacon Hall	10.00am to 5.00pm 2.00pm
Wed	21	Pottery Workshop with Victoria Hendzel-Walker The Painswick Art Fair - daily until 26 August	P.Centre, Green Room P. Centre Beacon Hall P.Centre, Green Room	 10.00am to 5.00pm 10.00am to 5.00pm
Thu	22	Sandie Scagell: Exhibition of Paintings	P.Centre, Green Room	10.00am to 5.00pm
Sat	24	Copy Date for September Beacon		
Sun	25	Holy Communion (BCP) Service of the Word Exhibition by 4 local Artists: 'Interpretations' (also 26th)	St Mary's Church St Mary's Church P.Centre, Green Room	8.00am 10.00am 10.00am to 5.00pm
Tue	27	Yew Trees W.I.: Salmon Supper	Town Hall	7.00pm

SEPTEMBER

Mon	2	Painswick Singers' First Rehearsal of Autumn Term: New members welcome	Church Rooms	7.30pm
Tue	3	Cupcakes for Carers & dependents: for info tel: 813326 Induction of New Vicar, followed by Reception in Painswick Centre	P. Centre Green Room St Mary's Church	1.30 to 4.30pm 7.00pm
Wed	4	Probus: Hearing Dogs for Deaf People- Elaine Clarkson	Painswick Centre	10.00am
Sat	7	September Issue of The Painswick Beacon published		
Mon	9	Probus Women: Waitrose talk on Cheese	Church Rooms	10.00 for 10.30am
Fri	13	Friday Club: Bookbinding - Anne Weare	Town Hall	2.30pm
Tue	17	Local History Society	Croft School	7.30pm
Wed	18	Probus: Outing to R.A.F. Museum, Cosford Parish Council Meeting	Town Hall	7.30pm
Tue	24	Yew Trees W.I.: History of Penicillin - Denys Thompson	Church Rooms	7.30pm
Fri	27	Friday Club: History of Inn Signs - Angela Pancrucker Gloucester Brass in Concert: in aid of Stroud & District Homes Foundation. £10 to include light supper. Tel. 812363 / 812587 / 812934	Town Hall Painswick Centre	2.30pm 7.30pm
Sun	29	Apple Day		

OCTOBER

Tue	1	Cupcakes for Carers & dependents: for info tel: 813326	P. Centre Green Room	1.30 to 4.30pm
Wed	2	Probus: Swansea Bay Tidal Lagoon - Mark Shorrock Cotteswold Naturalists Field Club / Painswick Bird Club: The language & folklore of birds - Charles Martin 813228	Painswick Centre Painswick Centre	10.00am 2.30pm
Mon	7	Bird Club residential field trip - North Norfolk coast (until 10th) Details: 812951		
Fri	11	Friday Club Autumn Outing to Batsford Arboretum		
Wed	16	Probus: The Worst Journey in the World (Story of Russian Naval Convoys) - Bob Watkin	Painswick Centre	10.00am
Tue	22	Yew Trees W.I.: Stroud News & Journal (Open Meeting)	Church Rooms	7.30pm
Fri	25	Friday Club: The Vine Project - Pat Chase	Town Hall	2.30pm
Sat	26	Painswick Singers Autumn Concert	Painswick Centre	7.30pm

NOVEMBER

Sat	9	Sue Ryder Coffee Morning	Church rooms	10.00am to 12noon
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DECEMBER

Sat	22	Painswick Singers pre-Christmas Concert	St Mary's Church	7.30pm
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PLANNING MATTERS

Information received from the Parish Council

NEW APPLICATIONS

WASHBROOK MILL, Edge Road
Erection of a three storey extension, double garage with annex above single storey kitchen extension. Change to the approved design S.07/2264/FUL

LUDLOES, Gloucester Street
Eucalyptus, reduce back by 5.49m in height, trim overall shape of the canopy, shorten the laterals back to produce a rounded shape, thin canopy by up to 20% and deadwood throughout.

LULLINGWORTH, Stroud Road
Fell dead Beech

FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE, Vicarage Street
Demolish existing external toilet and replace with new disabled toilet.

THE OLD PAINSWICK LIBRARY, Stroud Road

Revised applications following approved applications S.12/1634/LBC and

S.12/1633/FUL – Change of use and conversion of disused library to form four new dwellings & parking spaces. Demolition of existing outbuildings and the provision of a new pedestrian route between the church and the Stroud Road public car park.

HIGHGROVE HOUSE, Lower Washwell Lane

Erection of oak framed extension and carport with storage over.

DUMBLEDORE, Beacon Close
Replacement dwelling and garage.

CONSENT

CHAPEL COTTAGE, The Green, Edge Lane

Internal alterations to reinstate WC & mezzanine floor, form new door opening, reinstate former external door opening into dining room, remove external aluminium door and form window opening.

ARMANY, Gold Course Road
Extensions and alterations including removal of dormer windows and Replacement with velux roof windows, replacement of existing and additional windows and doors and external rendering.

LATCHETTS, Kingsmead

Timber extension to existing garage.

4 VATCH COTTAGES, Catswood Lane
Erection of extensions and alterations to provide an extension to the main dwelling and a self-contained annex.

WORGANS BARN, Folly Lane
Variation of condition 1 of permission S.10/0581/VAR. Extension to time for implementation for the erection of garage, store and stables.

CHURCH ORCHARD, Far End, Sheepscombe

Reduce height of Eucalyptus back by 25ft, reducing lateral branches back to 12ft from building reshaping the rest of the tree to match the shape. The tree is to be left in a natural shape.

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The Personal Column

Jenny Gaugain

Condolences

Our sincere sympathies to the family and friends of KENDALL BROADBANK who died on July 2nd after having lived for two happy years in Painswick. Many thanks from his daughter Jenny Broadbank to Somerset Care, the District Nurses and Painswick Surgery who all helped to care for him during this time.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Lucy Speed on gaining a First Class Honours Degree from the University of Leeds in Communication Studies. Lucy is currently out in Uganda working with Soft Power Education as she did last summer, only this year she has returned as a leader.

Farewell

Farewell to REBECCA and ANDREW HARRIS and their daughter FLORA who have moved from Star Cottage, Hollyhock Lane to Brockworth.

You could help Jenny Gaugain, if you would relay information about those you know and for whom a mention in the Personal Column would be appreciated.

Cranham Feast

The Cranham Feast is to be held on August 9th/10th/11th with a BBQ, Tug of War and 3-legged race on the Friday evening. Saturday is the main event with Gloucester Running Club organising a run over the hills of Cranham. There will be a variety of stalls and entertainment, including our new participation event – the Wacky races, all followed by a Deer Roast and BBQ on the Cricket Field. Sunday brings an outdoor animal service at St James Church followed by music and cricket up on the Cricket Field. A flower festival will take place in the Church throughout the weekend. These events are for all the family so do come along and join us.

Caroline Field



Thank you

May I thank, most sincerely, my adorable family and dear friends in Painswick for your loving sympathy and care for me, following Philip's death. It feels like a warm blanket of love has been wrapped round me and I will be eternally grateful for that. I am very lucky indeed to live amongst you all. Thank you so much.

Jenny Oakley

I would like to thank everybody for their get well wishes, cards, and visiting me during my recent stay in Gloucester Hospital. When you are not feeling well all the kindness and thoughts help you to a speedy recovery.

Rose Smith

Welcome

We welcome CHARLES and MANDY GARSTANG who have moved with their two dogs to Little Place, Hollyhock Lane, from Upton St Leonards.

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