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October 2023

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Welcome to the October edition of the Newsletter. A packed edition this month, with loads going on in our village.

Firstly a warm welcome to Leon, Tash & family who have taken over the Dolphin Inn – we wish them all the best and do have a look at their advert for exciting evenings planned at the pub 😊.

The Caribbean comes to Kingston Reading Rooms in November and it looks like it'll be a great evening! See the ad inside and next month's Newsletter for more details.

Planning for the Reading Rooms refurbishment is well underway. Details inside for more information on how you can contribute and offer suggestions.

WELCOME ALL!

KINGSTON VILLAGE

HARVEST FESTIVAL WEEKEND

Saturday October 14th 2023 6:30 for 7:00pm

HARVEST SUPPER

IN THE READING ROOM

*Tickets £10 (including a welcome drink)
Children under 12 free
BYOB, plates, glasses & cutlery

HARVEST FESTIVAL

MORNING SERVICE

Sunday 15th October
11:00 am

led by Revd. Matt Rowland
Prayers and hymns for the season

All welcome

*Available at Tuesday Market and from Pauline at 810949. Proceeds to benefit Shekinah Mission, Plymouth and our village church

Katherine

DON'T FORGET –

- Complete and return the Reading Rooms Survey attached to this newsletter.
- The 200 Club Subscriptions are now due – see inside for more information on how to renew or join.
- Defibrillator training on 28th Oct in the Reading Rooms from 10.30am to 12 noon – all welcome.
- British Summer Time is nearly over - the clocks go back on Sunday 29th October.

**PARISH CHURCH
FLOWER ROTA**



2023

Sept 14 th – Oct 1 st	Vanessa Walker
Oct 8 th – 15 th	Harvest – ALL
Oct 22 nd – 29 th	Margaret Kelly
Nov 5 th – 12 th	Carole Walters
Nov 19 th – 26 th	Caroline Thomas
Dec 3 rd – 10 th	Vanessa Walker
Dec 17 th – 24 th	Christmas - ALL

KINGSTON READING ROOM 200 CLUB

The numbers drawn in the September 2023 draw are as follows:

62	Jenny Moutrie	£25
63	Carol Walters	£20
33	Colette Bernard	£20
172	Karen Freeman	£10

Owen & Elaine Roberts -
owenroberts10@hotmail.com
01548 810968 / 07910 111471

HARVEST FESTIVAL

As shown in the Church News, the Harvest Festival Service is being held in our church on Sunday October 15th. The church is always beautifully decorated for this festival with flowers and fruit and vegetables so do pop in and enjoy.

In this time of huge cost of living increases, we would like to collect as many groceries as possible to give to the **Kingsbridge Food Bank**. So please could you donate tins packets, vegetables, fruit etc for our Harvest and I will deliver them to the Food Bank. You can leave them in the Church on the steps opposite the main door or deliver them to West View. Please could you do this during the week starting October 9th.

Many thanks,
Vanessa Walker

MESSAGE FROM THE DOLPHIN INN...

Leon, Tash & family are delighted to have taken on The Dolphin Inn and thank you to the village for being so welcoming to us.

**TUESDAY MARKET
TEA/COFFEE ROTA**



2023

October 3rd	Sue/Sandy
October 10th	Gina/Joan
October 17th	Joan/Vanessa
October 24th	Cynthia/Geoff
October 31st	Kit/Penny
November 7th	Jeanette/Margaret
November 14th	Anne/Elaine
November 21st	Jacky/Deidre
November 28th	Pauline/Sally
December 5th	Ann/John
December 12th	Sue/Sandy (last of the year)

**TUESDAY MORNING MARKET
KINGSTON READING ROOM**

EVERY TUESDAY from 10am to 12 noon

Come along to meet up with old and new faces while enjoying a cuppa & chat.

Freshly baked cakes, biscuits, pasties, sausage rolls, organic milk, yoghurt, eggs, potatoes, meat and the corner shop table.

Organic soaps and creams, chutney & Jams, Haberdashery, Crafted gifts, books (50p), woodwork, cards and much more!

Would you like a table to sell your wares? Just 10% to the Reading Rooms.

Just call me if you would like to help out on the tea rota or if you need picking up.

Tina - 07796 975291

MOBILE LIBRARY

The mobile library visits the village every 4th Tuesday at the Fire Station from 11 am to 11.30 am:

2023

Oct 10 th	Nov 7 th	Dec 5 th
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All copy for September Newsletter by:

Monday 23rd October please to Katherine Harding

Thank you!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

(Also see Parish Website for further details.)

Morning Market - every Tuesday 10 am til noon

2023

Oct 11th Seed/plant swap – 2pm Reading Room
Oct 11th Pub Quiz Night – 7.30pm Dolphin Inn
Oct 15th Harvest Festival – Church
Oct 17th Knit & Natter Group - Langmead
Oct 26th History Society AGM – Reading Room
Oct 28th Defibrillator Training – Reading Room
Nov 12th Stanborough Chorus – Kingsbridge
Nov 18th Caribbean Night - Reading Rooms
Dec 21st Carol Service – Church

KNIT AND NATTER GROUP

There will be a meeting of the Knit and Natter group at Langmead on October 17th at 2.30pm.

Please bring along your finished items so that we can estimate how many boxes we can fill for the charity Operation Christmas Child.

Thank you,
Margaret Birch

GARDENING CLUB

On Wednesday October 11th the Gardening Club will be meeting in the Reading Room at 2 pm for our plant and seed swap. Please bring along any cuttings, divided plants, spare plants, seeds etc too.

We will have our usual garden chat over a cup of tea and discuss our successes and failures of the summer.

All new members are very welcome and you don't have to be an experienced gardener to join. All you need is a love of plants and a sense of humour.

READING ROOM 200 CLUB

The 200 Club raises funds for the Kingston Reading Room, while offering subscribers the chance to win cash prizes in return for an annual stake of £10. A draw takes place on the first Tuesday of each month, for a small number of cash prizes ranging from £25 to £10 (the number and value of prizes is dependent on the number of tickets sold). The Club year starts on 1 October, so right now is the time to renew your membership or join. Any queries should be directed to:

Owen & Elaine Roberts
1 Overlangs
owenroberts10@hotmail.com
elaineroberts10@hotmail.com
07910 111471
01548 810968

Yoga Classes

Kingston Reading Room

Gentle 10 – 11.15am

Fitness Flow 11.30 – 12.45pm

Thursday Blocks of 5 sessions - £30

Drop In - £10

Starting Oct 5th, Nov 9th,
Jan 11th & Feb 22nd

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contact Penny on

pennyann.mcfarlane@gmail.com

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TUESDAY CRAFT AFTERNOONS

1pm - 3pm

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Karen 07919947859 / Tina 07796975291

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SHORT MAT BOWLS



The Kingston Short Mat Bowls Club

Meet every Monday and Friday

7pm for 7.15 start

in the Reading Room

New members are always welcome

If you have not played before come along and give it a try.

OCTOBER 2023 CHURCH NEWS



Our church is open daily for silent prayer, or to visitors who wish to see inside our lovely place of worship.

Regular services of Morning Prayer are held on most Sundays at 9:30 am except the third Sunday of each month when a service of Holy Communion takes place at 11:00 am. Where Village Service is designated in the diary for the month, it will indicate that a member of the congregation will probably be leading a service of prayers and hymns. When there is a 5th Sunday in any month, there may be team services. Very occasionally there may be an extra Holy Communion service inserted instead of Morning Prayer and such a change will be noted in the church calendar at the back of the newsletters. For those visiting the church during the week, please make sure that you don't leave the door wide open when you leave. Thank you.

Thanks to those who gave donations in support of David Scott's RIDE AND STRIDE event which took place on 9th September in aid of Devon's Historic Churches Trust. Our donations of £130 were match funded. Our thanks go too to David for his generous work on our behalf for DHCT.

Friends of the church held a garden party at the home of Carol and Robert Beard on Saturday 26th August. It was a lovely afternoon weather-wise and the event raised around £1,000 for the Friends. Our thanks go to Carol and Robert for hosting us and thank you to everyone who joined in the fun. By becoming a Friend, you can be assured that our church and graveyard will still be here for the generations who follow us. You do not have to be a worshipper in our church in order to become a Friend. We have several exciting events planned for later in the year. Please see details of an upcoming event elsewhere in this edition of the newsletter. Don Kelly will be delighted to give you further details on how to join and how your participation will help us all. His email is donaldkelly8@aol.com or phone number 810358.

On 1st October, Sir James Burnell-Nugent KCB CBE will be with us to give the Address during our lay-led service at 9:30 am on that day. Please join us, whether you are a regular attendee of our services or not. All are welcome! Sir James will speak on the subject of SAVE OUR CHURCH. There are some bishops in the country who are keen to close many C of E churches and to sell off rectories. Sir James will join us for refreshments after the service. We look forward to his visit and to have you with us that morning too.

The **Church Home Group** will meet at Tewkesbury, the home of Jacky Coleman-Smith, on Thursday, 5th October at 7:30pm. All are welcome. The discussion will be Jesus' journey through Jerusalem to the cross. Jacky's email is jacky.coleman-smith@sky.com and phone is 811277.

Our Kingston Village Harvest Festival weekend begins on Saturday 14th October with our Harvest Supper which will be held in the Reading Room – 6:30 for 7:00 pm. Tickets, which are available at the Tuesday Market or from Pauline 810949 are £10 (including a welcome drink) and children under 12 are free. BYOB, plates, glasses and cutlery. Proceeds from the event will benefit Shekinah Mission Plymouth and our village church. On Sunday 15th October at 11:00 am our Harvest Festival Morning Service, with prayers and hymns for the season, will be led by Revd. Matt Rowland. All are welcome.

The local contacts for St. James the Less, Kingston are our Church Wardens, **Brian Alloway**, 810692, bj6devon@gmail.com and **Robert Beard**, 810500, r.beard@scobbiscombe.co.uk Brian and Robert will be pleased to help you find the right person to talk to and help with any church-related arrangements. Please note full information is also on the Parish website as well as the Modbury Team website: www.modburyteam.org

DIARY FOR OCTOBER 2023

1st October 9:30am - Sunday Worship lay led service
5th October - 7:30 pm Church Home Group at Tewkesbury
8th October 9:30am - Sunday Worship
14th October 6:30 for 7:00pm Harvest Supper in the Reading Room
15th October 11:00am - Harvest Festival Morning Service
22nd October 9:30am - Sunday worship
29th October 10:30am - Team Communion in Modbury

The Dolphin Inn

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Thursday 5th October
Open Mic night at 8.00 pm

Wednesday 11th October
Quiz Night
(Pop in and see us to book a table)

Thursday 19th October
Jam Night
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Saturday 28th October
Halloween Party
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FUTURE OF THE READING ROOMS - OPEN FORUM FEEDBACK

The project to enlarge the Reading Room and maximise its benefits and uses for our community continues.

After establishing the available space for building works, reaching agreement with South West Water, obtaining planning permission and getting the proposed work professionally costed, we are now at the point where we need to see if the project can be funded.

We intend to put forward proposals to obtain funding from the National Lottery and other funders and we shall only succeed if we can demonstrate good support for the project and the delivery of practical benefits for our community. We believe we can achieve this, but we need to satisfy our funders and so we need your help.

A big thank you to those of you who attended the Open Forum at the Reading Room on 6th September. There was a lively debate as a result of some really interesting questions put to the Committee and our experts who kindly attended to explain the plans. It was really good to hear the views of the residents of the village.

There was an explanation of the proposed project. Our thanks must be extended to Kevin Shotter and Jerry Barnes who helped out with the more technical questions regarding the project and the chair of the meeting, Andy, who gave everybody who wanted to an opportunity to air their views.

We believe that by the end of the meeting any misconceptions about the funding and the proposed renovation plans were fully addressed and explained.

The show of hands at the end of the meeting did indicate that there was a clear majority of those present in favour of the project proceeding to the next stage.

So, what's next?

- We need to get the project funded - and we can only achieve this if we can demonstrate that Kingston supports the plan.
- We are proceeding with **"The Reading Room and its place in the community"** survey. You will receive the survey in three ways:
 - Click on this link <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/NV5KL7B> and complete the survey online (this link is also available on the Reading Room web page).
 - If you provided your email, you will also receive an email invitation to complete the survey.
 - A paper version will be distributed to all homes in the parish. If you complete the survey this way you can post a version back:
 - At the Reading Room (including the Tuesday morning market).
 - Through the letter box at Pounds Farm.
 - Or email KRRSecretary22@gmail.com and it can be collected from your home.
- Once we have your responses, we will analyse them and decide how we proceed from there. And of course, we will keep you informed.
- If you provide any personal data (which is completely voluntary) we will only use this for the purposes of this survey.

Thank you in advance for completing the survey and remember, we can't proceed without the support of the village. So, if you have an opinion make sure it's heard!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD BOXES

This year we are again making Christmas present boxes to send to children in impoverished countries around the world through the Samaritan's Purse scheme.

The shoe boxes are filled with age-appropriate toiletries, colouring books and pens, an item or two of warm clothing such as a hat, scarf or socks and a toy or surprise present.

The age groups we collect for are 2-4, 5-9 and 10-14 both for boys and separately for girls.

Boxes need to be left in the back of the church by Tuesday 7th November.

Donations are welcome too towards the delivery charge of £5 per box and buying any extra gifts, and our knitting group has been busy knitting hats and scarves which will be available to add to your box.

If you would like to fill a box please contact me, Shioya Walters, on 01548 810259 or see me at Tuesday Morning Market.

KINGSTON LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

The Kingston Local History Society's Annual General Meeting is fixed for 7pm for 7.30pm on Thursday 26th October 2023 in the Reading Room.

As usual, drinks and nibbles will be available prior to the start of the AGM and we look forward to seeing as many members as possible.

I anticipate there will be a vacancy on our Committee after the AGM, so if you feel you would like to contribute to the way in which we plan and manage the activities of the History Society and the essential archiving work that we do, this is an opportunity for you.

It would be very helpful if anyone interested in joining the Committee could indicate this in advance by email to our Secretary, Tim Matthews at: timmatthews50@hotmail.com

Guy Walker
Chairman



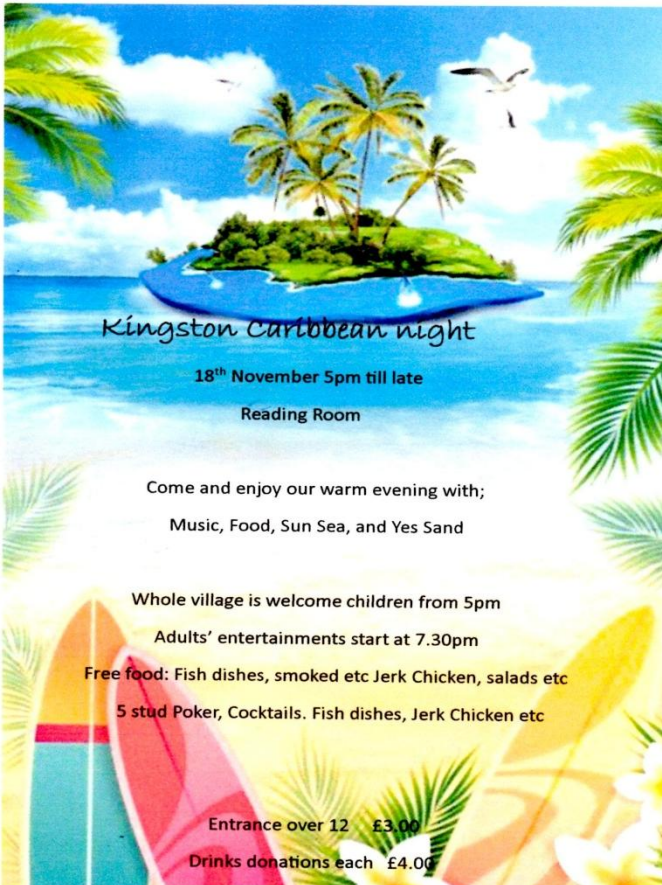
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Adults' entertainments start at 7.30pm

Free food: Fish dishes, smoked etc Jerk Chicken, salads etc
5 stud Poker, Cocktails. Fish dishes, Jerk Chicken etc

Entrance over 12 £3.00
Drinks donations each £4.00

DO YOU LOVE TO SING?



If so, why not come and join our special 'pop up' village choir and lead the congregation at our Christmas Carol Service on Thursday 21st December. All voice parts are very welcome.

We plan on having 3 or 4 rehearsals before the service, but it doesn't matter if you can't make them all!

For more information, call Deirdre on 810445 or email britmaf@btinternet.com

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and all Choir members

MEMORIES OF THE RIVER ERME AND ESTUARY

River Erme Councils (the 6 Town and Parish councils whose catchment includes the River Erme) are pooling resources to help improve the state of the river and its estuary.

As part of this initiative, we invite you to share your memories of the Erme. Spending time with friends and family, swimming, kayaking, horse riding and dog walking, as well as just taking time out from busy lives - all add up to build a picture of how the community has engaged with this wonderful river over the years. We want to hear from you!

We are also interested in any encounters with wildlife, favourite times of year and so forth (picking sloes for gin, watching the migrating birds come and go, snacking on rock samphire etc.).

You are invited to drop in to the Modbury Parish Council office, 2 Galpin Street, Modbury PL21 0QA and share your memories for a special audio recording that will form part of a future exhibition. Drop in sessions are **11am to midday on Saturday 28th October and Saturday 4th November** with Laura Denning, Modbury resident and artist and academic, who will collate the recordings. You can also contact Laura directly if you do not wish your voice to be recorded but would like to talk to her.

For those living outside Modbury, you are welcome to come to our parish office or contact Laura to arrange a meeting nearer to you.

lauradenning2@gmail.com
www.plymouth.ac.uk/staff/laura-denning

Dr. Laura Denning: Artist/Researcher
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KINGSTON PRODUCE SHOW 2023

A big thank you to everyone who participated in the Produce & Open Art Show, making it a very enjoyable day in the Kingston social calendar. Despite the tough growing conditions we had more entries than last year in the produce sections. In addition the craft competition was very well subscribed, particularly by scarecrows!! Our judges did an excellent job in grading the many fine exhibits.

As promised here is a summary of this years winners:

Young Persons

5 and under HMB Cup

6-8 Pery Cup

9-12 Toby Cup

Fletcher Stansby

Xavia & Theo Handasyde

Lacey Fairchild & Elliot Calbon

Open Art

Anne Scaratt

Jenny Kinder

Jenny Kinder

Craft

Photography

Flowers

Flower Arrangements

Preserves

Cookery

Vegetables & Fruit

Drinks

Best in Show

Jim Dewar

Ian Fallon

Rachel Bush

Rachel Bush

Colin Burton

Colin Burton

Richard Dally

Colin Burton & Richard Dally

Karen Freeman

The competition was very close

Produce '23	1st	pts	2nd	pts	3rd	pts
Craft	Jim Dewar	15	The Freemans	10	Jeanne Curtis	10
Photography	Ian Fallon	55	Juliet Manners	18	Carol Beard	10
Flowers	Rachel Bush	31	Sue Green	20	Vanessa Waker	13
Flower Arrangement	Rachel Bush	30	Vanessa Walker	5	Kit Conner	3
Preserves	Colin B	35	Richard Daley	10	Sue Green	8
Cookery	Colin B	25	Hannah Walters	13	Ian F, Janet, Juliet	10
Veg and Fruit	Richard Daley	58	Jo Guliford	53	Debbie Shotter	50
Drinks	Colin B & Richard D	15			Rachel Bush	10
Best in Show	Karen Freeman					
Open Art	Jenny Kinder					
Anne Scaratt	Jenny Kinder					

Kingston is a very generous village and we received over £230 in donations. We incurred approximately £100 in expenses which leaves a healthy float to stage next year's show. Yes, we're already thinking about it and the Committee have come up with some great ideas already.

Thanks again from the Produce Show Committee

Colin & Janet Burton, Vanessa Walker, Debbie Shotter, Sue Green, Rachel Bush



New Residents: Kingston Parish Council extends a warm welcome to all new residents. If you need any help or information please do contact the Parish Clerk (e-mail: kingstonclerk@gmail.com).

Recreation Ground Monitoring Team:

Thank you from KPC. Weeks ahead are:

2nd October	Jon Wakeling	23rd October	Sally Denham
9th October	Sue Green	30th October	Q (Lorraine Squire)
16th October	Debbie Shotter		

We are still seeking volunteers to join the team and assist with Recreation Ground monitoring. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Clerk.

Next Kingston Parish Council Meeting: Thursday 19th October 2023 in the Reading Room. The next Parish Council meeting will take place in the Reading Room at 7.30pm on Thursday 19th October. The Agenda will be placed on the Parish Website no later than 12th October. Public are welcome to join the Open Forum which is held at the beginning of each KPC meeting for any questions you may have.

Defibrillator Training: Southwest Ambulance Services are giving free defibrillator training, open to all. There will be a session in Kingston Reading Room, organised by KPC, on **Saturday, 28th October 2023 at 10.30am – 12 noon**. If you would like to attend, please advise the Parish Clerk, Lorraine Squire, on kingstonclerk@gmail.com. All are welcome – no previous experience needed.

Forthcoming Changes to the Refuse & Recycling Service:

SHDC will be writing to all residents in the near future to advise of upcoming changes to the refuse and recycling service – their aim is for the whole district to receive the same kerbside service. The day(s) of our weekly collections may change as a result – KPC will keep you informed.

Container Deliveries: For those parishioners who have still been using the clear and blue recycling sacks, SHDC are finally in a position to complete the rollout of the new recycling containers. Your new containers will be delivered will take place over the next 4-5 weeks and should comprise: 2x recycling boxes with lids; a white recycling sack; a kerbside food waste caddy; a smaller food waste caddy for your kitchen; and an information pack explaining how to use it all. **However, please do not start using them until you hear from SHDC, by post, when to start using them** – keep them somewhere safe until then. For more information you can visit SHDC's recycling container rollout information page:

<https://www.southhams.gov.uk/article/10149/Newe-Container-Rollout>.

Broken Glass. KPC are aware of the recent problem (20th September) with a refuse/recycling vehicle dropping broken glass onto the lanes between the Church, Wonwell Gate Cross and Scobbiscombe. South Hams District Council have investigated – it appears that the back of a recycling vehicle had not been properly secured – and taken steps to ensure it will not happen again. If you have any problems or queries regarding the refuse and recycling service, please contact Cllr Suzannah Grant on sgrantkpc@gmail.com or 01548 810013.

SHDC Consultation – Let's Talk About South Hams: SHDC have developed a number of aims and ambitions for the South Hams, based on challenges residents have told them about. The consultation on their draft Corporate Strategy in response has now begun. You can have your say a number of ways: through their online survey, which is open until 23rd October - <https://ourcorporatestrategy.commonplace.is>, by taking part in the polls on their social media channels, and/or by going to one of their public consultation sessions this October (dates when known will be published via KEG).

Dog Mess: Regrettably, the amount of dog mess in the village is increasing again. Please pick up after your dog and dispose of the bagged poo in an **appropriate** place – i.e. a suitable bin, not the nearest hedge. Please also challenge others – including visitors – to do the same.

Recreation Ground Skate Park: Unfortunately the skate park equipment in the recreation ground has reached the end of its life – it is not safe so *please* do not use. Sources of funding to replace it are being investigated. In the meantime, it needs to be removed – if you can help with dismantling it and/or taking the metal for scrap, or know someone who can, please contact either the Parish Clerk or Cllr Joel Wakeling (07546 511578).

Parking: Please be aware and vigilant regarding how and where we park – we need to leave sufficient access for emergency vehicles, large farm vehicles, soon some enormous combine harvesters and of course the refuse and recycling trucks.



**Kingston is just a small place
 Everyone thinks it's just ace!
 The roads are very narrow,
 Just big enough for a barrow.
 Tractors, lorries and buses too
 All BIG things that have to get through.
 So we feel we must mention,
 PLEASE park with due care and attention!!**

Hedge Trimming: Now we have entered autumn, KPC would like to remind all parishioners with hedges adjacent to the highways and footpaths that they have a responsibility to trim them back so that they do not overhang the road or footpaths.

Sources of Information: Kingston Parish Council website: www.kingstonparishcouncil.co.uk. If you have anything you feel would benefit our community by including it on the Web Site, please contact Cllr Merv Freeman on 01548 810070 or by e-mail on burlockcouncil@gmail.com. If you are on Facebook, the Kingston Events Group (KEG) and Charterlands Chatter pages are also well worth joining.

Neighbourhood Police:

For non-emergency police matters, contact the **Kingsbridge Neighbourhood Policing Team** on 01548 851058 or email kingsbridge@devonandcornwall.police.uk

Your Councillors are here for you:

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KINGSTON READING ROOM BOOKINGS

This calendar shows the bookings as at the time this newsletter was finalised. You can access the calendar on www.kingstonparishcouncil.co.uk . Click on **Reading Room then Reading Room Bookings**

October 2023							October 2023							November 2023																												
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25 Sep 18:00 9.30pm Bowls club	26 09:00 -12:30 Morning Market 18:30 - 10pm KEG Band Practice (Rusty)	27 08:30 13:30 Art Club 18:30 -22:30 Band Practice (Vardo Manor)	28 09:00 Power cuts today 18:30 -22:30 Band practice (Vardo Manor)	29 18:00 9.30pm Bowls club	30 18:30 -2330 Hayley's 40th	1 Oct 10:00 -12.30pm Panto Rehearsal																																				
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Kingston Reading Room Hall Hire charges 2023



- Sessions are 8:30am to 1:30pm, 1:30pm to 6:30pm, 6:30pm to 11:30pm. If more time is needed to set up or clear away, then it must be booked.
- Commercial events are charged at £7.50 per hour or part hour, including set up and clean up times.
- The charge for sole occupancy of the Reading Room for a full day is by negotiation.
- Hall uses that satisfy the objects of the Reading Room charity trust deed are charged at a subsidised £10 per session. They must be non-profit (and may be subject to financial review) and open to all residents of Kingston Parish, be advertised in the Kingston Newsletter and on Kingston related social media (e.g. KEG Facebook page) as such and be approved by the Management Committee at least one month in advance of the first session.
- Private parties for Kingston Parish residents are charged at a concessionary rate of £10 per session.
- The downstairs meeting room is charged at £5 per session.
- Bookings are recorded in the Reading Room bookings calendar which is available on the Parish Council website. Please check the calendar before requesting a booking.

All enquiries to:
Benjamin Russell (Rusty), Bookings Secretary – 07824 702465
kingstonreadingroom@gmail.com



SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES IN OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER

	Aveton Gifford 11.00 am	Bigbury 11.00 am	Kingston 9.30 am	Modbury 9.30 am	Ringmore 9.30 am
October 1st	Sunday Worship	Communion	Village Service	Harvest Communion	Communion
October 8th	Sunday Worship	Harvest Communion	Sunday Worship	Communion (BCP) (8 am) ----- All Age Service	Harvest Thanksgiving
October 15th	Communion	Sunday Worship	Harvest Communion (11 am)	Communion	Messy Church
October 22nd	Communion	Sunday Worship	Sunday Worship	Sunday Worship	Communion
October 29th				Team Communion (10.30 am)	
November 5th	Sunday Worship	Village Service	Communion	Communion	Village Service
November 12th	Remembrance (10.50 am)	Remembrance (10.50 am)		Communion (BCP) (8 am) ----- Remembrance (10 am)	
November 19th	Sunday Worship	Sunday Worship	Communion (11 am)	Communion	Sunday Worship
November 26th	Communion	Sunday Worship	Sunday Worship	Sunday Worship	Communion

PUBLIC OPINION

“Britain isn’t a Christian nation now, say clergy”. That was the headline from a recent survey by The Times which drew attention to the continuing fall in church attendance and to changing attitudes towards sex. It concluded that amongst “front-line Anglican clergy there was “a desire for significant changes in teaching on sex, sexuality, marriage and the role of women, to bring the church more into line with public opinion”.

The reporters – and they are not alone – thus see the role of the Church to be an expression of public opinion, with no necessary link to truth. But public opinion will change, sometimes quite dramatically. The Palm Sunday cry of “hosanna” had become “crucify him” by the following Thursday.

Rather, the Church is called to be God’s mouthpiece, with The Bible as God’s Word. This, not popular opinion, is the Christian’s guide. Sadly, Christians have too often failed to proclaim the teaching of Scripture and its wonderful offer of forgiveness and new life in Christ Jesus. God calls his Church to share that message of good news for all people, and to do so with conviction, but in love and sensitivity.

Michael Tagent

Vicar: The Revd Matt Rowland (830260: every day except (normally) Saturday)

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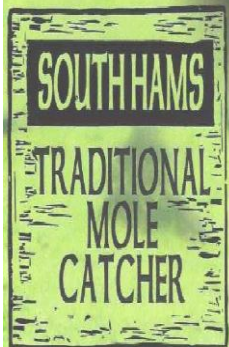
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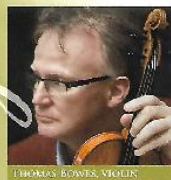
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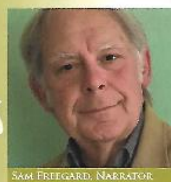
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The Reading Room and its place in the community

The project to enlarge the Reading Room and maximise its benefits and uses for our community continues. After establishing the available space for building works, reaching agreement with South West Water, obtaining planning permission and getting the proposed work professionally costed, we are now at the point where we need to see if the project can be funded.

We intend to put forward proposals to obtain funding from the National Lottery and other funders and we shall only succeed if we can demonstrate good support for the project and the delivery of practical benefits for our community. We believe we can achieve this, but we need to satisfy our funders. Your help with this, by completing this survey will be invaluable as documentary evidence of the views of the community. Unless you choose to provide your name and address at the end of this survey, your responses will remain anonymous.

* 1. To help us group the responses which age group applies to you?

- Under 18
- 18-24
- 25-34
- 35-44
- 45-54
- 55-64
- 65+

* 2. How important do you consider the Reading Room is to the Kingston community?

- Extremely important
- Very important
- Somewhat important
- Not so important
- Not at all important

* 3. How important is the Reading Room to you personally?

- Extremely important
- Very important
- Somewhat important
- Not so important
- Not at all important

* 4. How often do you use the Reading Room?

- Frequently (once a week)
- Regularly (at least once a month)
- Fairly often (once every couple of months)
- Sometimes (once a year)
- Rarely (have used it once)
- I have never been in or used the Reading Room

5. If applicable, how often do your children use the Reading Room

- Frequently (once a week)
- Regularly (at least once a month)
- Fairly often (once every couple of months)
- Sometimes (once a year)
- Rarely (have used it once)
- Has never been in the Reading Room

* 6. Would you give your support the on-going development of the Reading Room?

- Definitely would
- Probably would
- Probably would not
- Definitely would not

* 7. Rate the elements of the proposed Reading Room project what you consider to be priority order. We may not include all elements, as any work will be carried out based on the funding we obtain and we want to make the best use of funds to provide a facility that fits with the needs of the community. So for example, an air source heat pump may not be the best use of funds if we can continue to utilise our oil fired boiler or install a new one (which with recent Government announcements it looks like we can!)

- New and bigger fully functional Kitchen
- Improving the insulation in the building
- New and better toilet upstairs
- Fencing off and landscaping the area around the building.
- Storage for chairs and tables upstairs
- Installing solar panels on the roof
- Creating a second hire-able meeting room (downstairs)
- Substantially increasing the usable space (by 42%)
- Changing the heating to utilize an air-source heat-pump
- Reducing the damp in the building

* 8. In your view are there any missing elements to this project (and is so please name them)?

Nothing has been missed off

Yes you also need to consider this

9. To keep the disruption to a minimum, should the Reading Room be

- Closed until the project is completed
- Closed during the summer only until completed
- Kept open throughout
- Closed only when the site must be closed for safety reasons

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About you

* 10. We need many different volunteer skills for this project.

Would you like to assist in some way

- Yes
- No

If you would like to help please, please tell us about your skills. We will also need your name and contact details (which you can provide at the end of the survey)

* 11. Do you have any ideas for new activities in the Reading Room

* 12. Would you help organize these new activities

- Yes
- No

13. Is there anything else about this project that you would like to tell us about?

14. It would really help us if you could provide us with your name and address so we know who has completed the survey. We will only use this data for the purposes of the survey. If you would like to provide them, please fill in the box below.