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**MAY 2015** 

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Copy deadline for the June issue of the Merriott Messenger is 12th May. Articles received after this date may not be included. Please send us your artwork and/or photographs.

### Quote of the month supplied by Merriott Gardening Club:

"One of the most pleasing of sounds of Spring time, is the cooing of osteopaths as Man picks up his garden spade!"

Olivier Pritchett

# PUTTING THE MMMMMM INTO MERRIOTT!



Two local mums with a love of baking and socialising are starting a pop up cafe in Merriott.

The Village Cafe promises to produce delicious food using local and home-grown ingredients. It's

not what you might expect from a village hall.....we hope to delight your taste buds with tried and tested... then tested again recipes that we are really passionate about. All the food is handmade with love and an attention to detail that we hope will leave you wanting more!

We want the Cafe to be a place where people can meet, eat and socialise. We plan to offer a selection of cakes, light lunches and drinks from 10.30am to 1.30pm on Friday 22nd May. If it is successful we will consider making it a regular event so please support us. Let's put the mmmmm into Merriott!

Sample menus and updates on our preparations can be found on our Facebook page the Village Cafe Merriott so please feel free to be nosy.

See you there.....

### PHOTOGRAPH OF THE MONTH





Bluebells and Wild Garlic photo taken by Mo Frampton May 2014

**Send your photo to:** merriottmessenger@gmail.com



### **BOWLING CLUB MEMBERSHIP**

The Bowling Club green opened in April for the 2015 season. Bowling is a great sport and in Merriott we have a successful and friendly club who are always willing to welcome new members.

Why not give it a try this year?
It doesn't matter if you have
bowled previously or are a
complete beginner, you will be
made welcome. You don't
need to provide any equipment but we do require
bowlers to wear flat soled
shoes, trainers will do to start
with.

The membership fee for this
year is £10 for those new to
bowling and £20 for those who
have previously belonged to a
bowling club. Juniors, under
18 in full time education, have
free membership.

If you would like to give it a try please come along on any Tuesday afternoon in May at 2pm. There is no obligation just an opportunity to try bowling and find out about the club.

If Tuesday afternoon is not suitable for you please phone Chris Woods on 01450 76294 and we will arrange a time convenient for you.

There's no better sport when the sun is shining so come along and try it.

### **MOORLANDS FARM DEVELOPMENT UPDATE**

The Moorlands Farm Development in Broadway is beginning to take shape with all of the groundworks for phase one nearing completion. Work on the existing barns within phase one is also progressing well. The specialist civil engineering company responsible for the major drainage and highway works serving the development has begun work. The first timber frames for the new low energy homes will be erected in early May.

Clipper Development Partners continue to work with the Parish Council and the Merriott Pharmacy to progress ideas and expressions of interest in the surgery. We remain confident that the need for the surgery will drive this to a successful conclusion.

### **VISIT TO EXETER CATHEDRAL**



Following last year's visit to Wells, All Saints Church is planning a coach trip to visit Exeter Cathedral on **Thursday 17th September**.

The plan is to leave Merriott at about 11.00am and leave Exeter after choral evensong at about 6.30pm.

The cost, if both a floor tour and a tower tour at the Cathedral are taken, will be £20, including the coach. If, however, you do NOT wish to do either or both of

the tours the cost will be adjusted accordingly.

Please contact Jean or Dave on 01460 279654 if you wish to take advantage of this trip indicating your preferences as shown below.

Coach plus floor tour only - £15 Coach plus tower tour only - £15 Coach plus both tours - £20



South Somerset Citizens Advice Bureau has changed its enquiry line number. From 13th April 2015 call: 03444 88 9623
Lines open from 10am - 4pm Monday - Friday. Clients who are deaf or hard of hearing can call the Citizens Advice Text Relay service on 03444 111 445.

### **SAVE THE DATE**

"Say it with Flowers"

10th - 12th July

A Flower Festival in Merriott Church for everyone to enjoy.

Refreshments and Musical Entertainment during the weekend.

"Songs of Praise" service on



Sunday evening.
Raising money for church
funds and Riding for the
Disabled charity





### DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

All Saints

Summer Fayre

### Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June 11am to 3pm

Stalls, refreshments, live music, raffle and lots, lots more.

With special guest appearances from Spiderman and Elsa.

To be held at Merriott Church and Tithe Barn, Church Street, Merriott

### **LOCAL HISTORY DIGITAL ARCHIVE**

Past contributors to the Merriott Local History Group website, which is no longer published, may be interested to know that the website contents now exists as a digital archive consisting of approximately 140 files.

A copy of the archive has been sent to the Crewkerne Museum and is available to the public.

For further information about the archive, including a contents list and brief details of each file, please email David Gibbs: dawgibbs@virginmedia.com

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### **NEWS FROM ALL SAINTS CHURCH**

All Saints churchyard is particularly beautiful in Spring and if you wander around to the back of the church you will find something new. The Scouts, Cubs and Beavers have installed bird boxes and bug hotels, most of which they have made themselves. They've also helped us with a substantial tidy—up, so many thanks to them and everyone who helps to look after this special place.

Children and young people have been an important part of our Easter celebration this year. The school service, with its shadow puppet version of the Easter story was amazing and also very moving. I could watch it again! On Good Friday

there was more creative drama and making of Easter gardens, cards and biscuits which we all enjoyed.

Quite a lot of us have been working on a plan for the churches in our Benefice, including All Saints. Our aim is to think ahead about the next few years and about what we want for our churches, for ourselves and our community. We are at the early stages of discussing our ideas with a wider audience, so please see further information in church and the Link magazine. We would value your comments and suggestions.

Revd Julia Hicks

### Church Services in May

Sun 3rd 8.30am Holy Communion
Sun 10th 9.30am Parish Communion
(Christian Aid Week)

Thurs 14th 9am Communion for

Ascension (followed by coffee and croissants at the Rectory)

**Sun 17th** 10am Family Service

6pm Evensong

Sun 24th 10am Sung Communion for

Pentecost

Sun 31st No service at All Saints (11am

Benefice Communion for Trinity Sunday at Dinnington)

#### MERRIOTT'S MONTHLY MARKET



First Saturday of the month 10am -1pm Merriott Social Club, 71 Lower Street Further details 07885 424 588

### **MERRIOTT KARATE CLUB**

We would like to acknowledge Tom Allen, Nick Durant and Kylie Channon for passing their 8th, 3rd & 2nd kyu gradings respectively.

Huge congratulations guys - well done!

#### TRANSPORTING SOMERSET

As a result of the recent bus subsidy funding consultation, funding for Service 9 has been reduced, a new timetable will be in place from 26 May 2015.

Donyatt - Ilminster - Crewkerne			Service 9	
Mondays to Fridays (except Public Holidays)				
Donyatt, George Inn		0945	1230	
Ilminster Square		0955	1240	
Ilminster Medical Centre		0958	1243	
Seavington St. Mary		1007	1251	
Lopen		1012	1256	
Hinton St. George		1017	1301	
Merriott, Church	0829	1024	1308	
Crewkerne, Ashlands Road	0835	1034	1318	
Crewkerne, George Hotel	0840	1038	1322	
Crewkerne, Kings Arms	0845	1045		1325
Crewkerne, Ashlands Road	0849	1049		1329
Merriott, Church	0901	1101		1341
Hinton St. George	0909	1109		R
Lopen	0914	1114		R
Seavington St. Mary	0919	1119		
Ilminster Square	0926	1126	1215	
Ilminster Medical Centre	0929		1218	
Donyatt, George Inn	0937		1226	

R - Serves Hinton St. George and Lopen on this journey only on request from passengers on the bus.

### **NEWS FROM THE SWAN**

A few issues have gone by without news from The Swan, but we are still hard at work striving to keep the village pub going which, at present, is proving to be a much harder task than expected. Since Christmas, we have had little opportunity to hold events in the pub without dividing loyalty in the village and our latest setback is that we have been badly let down by a 25 piece swing band for our proposed 70<sup>th</sup> VE Day celebrations on 9<sup>th</sup> May. Consequently, we have had to cancel the event. We also sorry to inform you that we will no longer be serving food Monday to Thursday due to high cost incurred from lack of demand for our fresh food. We will, however, still serve fresh home cooked food Friday, Saturday and Sunday and we will still be able to accommodate bookings for functions and parties etc. Please note the garden is now open again for summer. We are dog friendly for friendly dogs!

Owing to personal and health reasons we are reducing our opening hours as follows:
Mondays & Tuesdays: 6pm to 10pm; Wednesday: 6pm to 11pm; Thursday: closed; Friday, Saturday

**Notes for your Diary** 

**2nd May** Steak Night £22 per couple and free

bottle of wine

Summer Skittles (4 a side) May, June, July, August

get your entries in quickly.

and Sunday: 12 noon to 1am.

**21st June** Reggae Sunday in the Garden

**18th July** Beer Festival & Music

### MERRIOTT GARDENING CLUB

On **May 26<sup>th</sup>** Mr T Bratcher will give us a talk on "Dahlias". Seek inspiration from the Chairman of The National Dahlia Society. Looks like being a treat for everyone. Meet at the Tythe Barn, Church Street at 7.30p.m. Refreshments available, raffle, plant and seed sale. A warm welcome awaits. Non members £2.

# Annual Flower & Produce Show – A message from the Committee

The Committee regret to announce that at this year's Flower and Produce Show there will be no section for children. It is appreciated that this will cause disappointment, but in the past few years there has been little response to our invitation to the children of Merriott to exhibit at the show. However, we would like to thank the small number of talented children who have supported us.

Mo Frampton 07967 028277



# National Plant Monitoring Scheme



EVERY FLOWER COUNTS - VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED FOR ANNUAL STOCK TAKE OF UK'S
WILDFLOWERS

The new National Plant Monitoring Scheme (NPMS), launching in spring 2015, will for the first time enable scientists to take an annual stock take of the UK's wild plants and their habitats, but to do this they need the public's help. They are looking for volunteers to carry out surveys of wildflowers and their habitats that will provide robust evidence of which widespread plants are increasing or declining, as well as indicating the changing state of our most valued habitats such as grassland, fenland and even road verges.

Plants are nature's building blocks and this new monitoring scheme will sit alongside existing schemes for the UK's birds and butterflies to help them, and us, understand more about how the countryside is changing.

For more information on the NPMS and how to take part please visit www.npms.org.uk or contact Hayley New on 07741 314155 or via email: Hayley.new@plantlife.org.uk

### "I DON'T BELIEVE IT ...... by Marion Andrews

I have been hacked and scammed.

By relaying my story I hope to alert ALL OF YOU as to how easy it is to be momentarily distracted enough to be taken in and progressed along the road of disaster .....

One recently sunny morning I was working on the Parish Council computer, the telephone rang (I do have caller ID but didn't check it) and the voice said

"I am from Talk Talk (my provider). We believe you have been experiencing problems with your broadband".

"Yes, indeed I have".

"Go to your computer and switch on. I will take you through some easy steps that will help identify the problems".

"I am working on my computer now, what do I need to do?"

"Click on the flag on the left of the keyboard and the letter R", and a few other similar instructions were given.

This simple mistake meant that within a very short time they had control of the computer. I couldn't use the cursor and I

could see the files flying over the screen.

It didn't feel right and I kept saying "I hope this is not a scam".

"No madam we will soon know the problem. Yes, you need a new Router. We will be sending a new one tomorrow and we are sorry for this inconvenience so we are paying you £200. You pay by direct debt so we have your bank details, please enter your details, you do not have to give me any information and I cannot see what you are typing".

"I don't like this; I don't want to give you my bank details....."

"Madam, you do not want £200? You will see the money enter your account. It is not a problem".

I was feeling sick by this time knowing that the computer contained the Parish Council business and all the financial information I was needing for the end year accounts .... panic.. just do as he says

Indeed I did see money enter my account – not £200 but £5,000!

"Madam we have made a mistake you

must repay us the £4,800 immediately. This is what you must do".

I was given a name, an address and bank account number in Canada and a telephone number to send a bank draft. NOW I REALLY KNEW THIS WAS A SCAM.

At this point I just kept saying in a hysterical manner "Give me back my computer, I am not doing this....."

Fortunately, I did get the cursor back and immediately closed down everything and switched off the computer.

I telephoned my bank and they secured my account and they told me that my own money had been transferred from a savings account into my current account and if I had progressed with sending them a refund then it would have been my own money – THE SCAM!

Phew, no money lost!

The next urgent response was to get the lap top cleaned so THANK YOU Allen Computing for reinstating the Parish Council computer.

This experience has left me feeling embarrassed and vulnerable.

### MERRIOTT SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

April's Monthly Market was very well attended with many children and families enjoying the Easter Egg Hunt and crafts. Thanks to all those who helped us, with £70 going to the 1st **Merriott Guides** 

Next month's Market, running between 10am and 1pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> May, will be raising funds for Merriott Rovers Football Team. All are welcome, so please pop down to support us in our efforts by having a browse, buying some raffle tickets or warming yourself with a nice toasty beverage, or a bacon butty! 2<sup>nd</sup> April saw our Easter Bingo raise a fantastic £741 towards the new roof fund thank you to everyone who supported this event. Look out for more bingo in the future.

### **Dates for your diary:**

Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> May - For those who missed out on Valentine's Day, Karaoke Night is returning to the Club - guaranteed entertainment. Come and join us for what promises to be a fun night whether you are in the mood for singing or listening all are welcome.

Remember to keep an eye on our notice-board for the latest news and events, as well as our website (merriottsocialclub.co.uk) and Facebook page. Thanks once again to all members and non-members who have continued to support us - you are highly appreciated!

Hinton St George -'Flix in the Stix' presents

### **MAY BANK HOLIDAYS RECYCLING AND REFUSE COLLECTIONS**

Usual collection day:

May Bank Holiday Monday 4th May -Friday 8th May

Revised collection day:

All collections one day later, including Friday pick-ups on Saturday 9th May

Usual collection day:

Spring Bank Holiday Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May

Revised collection day:

All collections one day later, including Friday pick-ups on Saturday 30th May

### **VE DAY 70TH ANNIVERSARY** FRIDAY 8TH MAY - SUNDAY 10TH MAY



Celebrations to commemorate VE Day are being held across the country. The Government has announced a range of activities but many community groups are running their own. For ideas on how you can commemorate the event in our community, email: jacqueline. hawkes@tdhgroup.co.uk

The Theory of Everything' (12A) on Saturday 9th May

in the Village Hall at 7.30pm. Tickets £5 in advance from the Village Shop and Dorothy's Tea Room, or £5.50 on the door. To reserve Tickets please contact Bob Kefford on 01460 72563. Eddie Redmayne won the Best Actor Oscar for his portrayal of Stephen Hawking and Felicity Jones plays an excellent supporting role. A moving, compelling film which everyone has heard about and will want to see.





### **Merriott Childcare Solutions**

Contact Vanina Cooper on 01460 74086 or 07807 753 779



I am an Ofsted and PACEY registered childminder located in Merriott.

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### **MERRIOTT PARISH CIVIL BURIAL GROUND**

This area is the responsibility of the Parish Council to regulate, designate and maintain to the recommended standards for such public areas so there is available to you a defined criteria of expectations. All funeral directors and stone masons liaise with the Clerk of the Parish Council and they have copies of the criteria which they share with families.

A recent inspection has highlighted that the burial ground is in need of some sensitive upkeep so as to maintain it to a standard that is acceptable for all users.

This means families need to be reminded of the INTERMENT REGULATIONS which are as follows:

- No mounds shall be allowed. Any initial mound shall be levelled after 6 months.
- No kerbs or chippings shall be allowed.
- ◆ The maximum size of a headstone shall be 4' high, 3' wide and 6" deep.
- Interment shall take place in spaces on alternate sides following numerically either side of the path next to the last one occupied on that side, unless it is a relative of a person previously buried in a double grave.

- The planting of trees, shrubs, flowers or bulbs shall not be permitted on any grave.
- Wreaths or cut flowers may lie directly on any grave, or placed in an approved vase or container immediately adjacent to the headstone. The Parish Council may remove them when they appear to be withered.
- Bulbs and small annual plants may be planted in an approved removable container placed immediately adjacent to the headstone. Unless kept tidy, the Parish Council may remove same.
- Under no circumstance may artificial flowers be placed on the Burial Ground and if so placed they will be removed by the Parish Council.
- Vases shall not be more than 12 inches x 8 inches x 8 inches in size and shall not be an integral part of the headstone.
- No headstone shall be of black granite or of all-polished granite of whatever colour, or of white marble, synthetic stone or plastic. Stone shall not be mirror polished in any way so as to reflect. The use of local

- stone will be encouraged.
- Bird baths shall not be permitted.
- Any power exercisable by the Parish Council under these regulations may be delegated in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 and the Local Authority Cemeteries Order 1977 to a person or persons so authorised.
- ◆ No advertisement or trade-mark shall be inscribed on a headstone but the name of the mason may be inscribed at the side or on the side or on the reverse of a headstone in unpainted and unleaded letters no more than half an inch in height. All headstones must have the grave number engraved on the reverse.

The Parish Council would like family grave owners to inspect and remove any item not fitting with the above regulations as soon as possible during the months of May, June and July.

In August 2015 the Council will do another inspection with the intention of removing offending items.

Over the next few months the gates will be painted and it is hoped that an extension pathway will provide better and easier access.

### **DOG FOULING IN MERRIOTT**



There has been an increase in dog fouling around the Merriott area.

If you see any dogs fouling, please get a description of the dog walker and type of dog and we can put up posters to that effect.

If you know who may be responsible and are willing to give a statement we may be able to issue a Fixed Penalty Notice.

Chris Rowland Environmental Enforcement Officer 01935 462829

### WHAT'S ON ELSEWHERE ...

**30th April** - Skittles and a ploughman's at Merriott Social Club

**OPEN GROUP** 

14th May - Coffee - venue TBA

**28th May** - Plant and Book swap at Jeanette's

Enquiries Maggie 76186

HENHAYES COMMUNITY CENTRE

Saturday 23rd May - Big Breakfast

10—12 noon. Full English with toast,
tea/coffee £4. Booking not necessary.

**Friday 29th May** - Traditional Roast Lunch - 3 courses and tea/coffee only £ 7.50 - 12 noon for 12.30 meal. Booking essential 01460 74340



INSPIRED
ARTISTS/
GRAFFITI
ARTISTS
REQUIRED

Local, young artists are required during the Summer holidays to cover the football stand in the Recreation Ground with colourful designs.

Any ideas for themes are welcomed and paints will be supplied.

Contact: Marion on 01935 863420.

### **Mobile Library - revised visiting times:**

Tuesday @ Merriott School 9.30 - 10am 25 Aug, 22 Sept, 20 Oct, 17 Nov, 15 Dec. 2016 - 12 Jan, 9 Feb, 8 March.

# PLANT HUNTERS FAIR 2015 - LOWER SEVERALLS BY SAM WYCHERLEY

On 4<sup>th</sup> May the Inner Wheel Club of Crewkerne is organising a Plant Hunters Fair at Lower Severalls in aid of the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance. A Plant Hunters Fair has been held at Lower Severalls since 2001, but this is the first year for which the fair will be supporting the Air Ambulance.

A number of specialist nurseries from across Somerset and Dorset will be present, including Hurst Brook Plants, specialising in peonies and irises; Entwood Farm Plants of Lyme Regis; Blooming Wild Nursery of Sturminster Newton, specialising in perennials and grasses and Picket Lane Nursery of South Perrott. The fair has always been well received in the past, bringing in hundreds of visitors. The event should also be particularly momentous for Hurst Brook Plants, who have relocated to the Lower Severalls site just this year.

The Inner Wheel Club of Crewkerne has raised money for many worth-while causes over recent years, including "Wizzybugs", a Bath University initiative to provide innovative wheelchairs to children with disabilities. Families with young disabled children can loan for free the Wizzybugs for as long as they need.

Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance, as you probably already know, provide a vital service saving lives across the 2 counties. Since its creation in 2000, the Air Ambulance has flown around 10,000 sorties, over half of which were in Somerset in 2013. 51% of Air Ambulance patients have medical injuries and it costs a staggering £1.7 million to run the service each year. The service is reliant upon donations from community members and the Inner Wheel Club has actively supported the charity for a number of years.

Entrance to the fair this year is £1.50, all in aid of the Air Ambulance. As usual, homemade refreshments will be available.



### PLANNING A GET TOGETHER?

The Community Pavilion is available for Hire. £20.00 per session. Contact 01935 863420 or merriott-clerk@hotmail.co.uk

# PLANNING AND PLANNING MATTERS from the Parish Council

The following plans and information were reviewed.

- 1. APPLICATION 15/00671/FUL APPLICANT: Mr R Wicks. PROPOSAL: Alterations and change of use of building from general industrial/storage to mixed use of fireplace showroom, office & warehouse/ storage. LOCATION: Building at Tail Mill Lane, Merriott. Parish Council RECOMMEND APPROVAL
- 2. APPLICATION 15/00987/FUL APPLICANT: Mr N Witcombe. PROPOSAL: Erection of agricultural building to winter house cattle and store farm machinery ( revised application) LOCATION: Manor Farm, 88 Lower Street, Merriott. Parish Council RECOMMEND APPROVAL
- 3. APPLICATION 15/00882/FUL APPLICANT: Mr & Mrs W Hallett. PORPOSAL: Alterations, erection of two storey and single storey extension, formation of dormer windows and rooflight to front elevation. LOCATION: Cherrytree Cottage, Church Street, Merriott. Information on amended plans received. Parish Council RECOMMEND APPROVAL

### **DETERMINATION OF APPLICATIONS**

4. Demolition of conservatory & erection of garden room Gappers Pool, 9-11 Church Street - GRANTED

### CHURCH CLEANING - THANK YOU

Following our recent appeals for help with keeping our lovely village church clean, we are delighted to welcome Tina Mortimer, Myumi Crawford and Sandy Jones to the team of volunteers. Thank you for giving your time for regular cleaning and our thanks also to those who come to help at the occasional working parties in the church and churchyard, keeping the church premises maintained for us all to use and enjoy.

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