

ILTON TALKING

Aug/Sept 2016

Provided by Ilton Parish Council

Hello we are back with News and events from Ilton

Welcome to the August issue of Ilton Talking. We will be publishing 3 editions a year with extra issues as required during the year. We rely on village groups and organizations submitting articles for the newsletter to make it interesting and inform the community about events that are happening in Ilton. So if you have anything you want to share with the village please forward it to the email address below before the following deadline dates for the forthcoming editions of Ilton Talking.

iltontalking@btinternet.com

Wed 12th October 2016, ready for delivery on 27th/28th October 2016

Wed 29th March 2017, ready for delivery on the 14th/15th April 2017

Wed 9th August 2017, ready for delivery on 24th/25th August 2017

We have to be strict about the deadlines for submitting articles due to printing timescales so if anyone misses the date, you will miss out for that edition!!

Please see the article about the St Peters Church Refurbishment inside and please complete the survey on the back pages

Social Afternoon Church of St Peters Bank Holiday Monday

29th August
3pm – 5pm

Please join us for a couple of hours in the Church on the last bank holiday of the summer

Enter our competitions – one for the adults and one for the children

See, and hear, how the renovation project is progressing

Enjoy a cup of tea, coffee and cake

Look around the Church

Browse through some of the book titles that have been donated and take away a good read

See our Autumn and Christmas fund raisers

Any enquiries, please phone Jacqueline on 54164.

Sunday 16th October **Harvest Festival Service & Supper**

This years' Service takes place at 5pm in St Peters Church followed by supper in the Village Hall. At the service we will give thanks for the food that we enjoy. Unfortunately, some people are not as fortunate as others and find feeding their family quite a challenge. To this end, we are asking if you can donate any food to those who may need it. Any canned foods will be donated to the Ilminster Food Bank or any fruit and veg will be given to the Sweet Surprise Charity in Ilminster. You can donate food to either Kate Cameron (55308) or Jacqueline Bennett (54164), or bring it to the Church on Saturday 15th/Sunday 16th.

The supper (starting at 6.30pm) will consist of Cheese/Ham etc with plenty of delicious salads to accompany them, followed by apple pie or ice cream. The cost of this will be £5.00 per person, and, because of the catering you **MUST BOOK**. So why not join us for the supper, and have a chat with friends over a good meal – book your table/place with either Kate or Jacqueline. (Please feel free to bring your own drinks, glasses will be supplied, the hall is not licensed to sell alcohol.)

There will also be a raffle on the night for those of you feeling lucky!

(Any donations for the raffle or the food will be most gratefully received.)

The Nippy Bus Demand Responsive Service

The N6 Nippylink is a flexible demand responsive bus service which links Martock and Ilminster with the rural Parishes and communities within the area.

Passengers can travel from any Village within the area of the service to either Martock or Ilminster simply by phoning the booking line on **01935 823888**. The N6 service seamlessly connects with the N9 Yeovil Service and the N10 Taunton Service, giving passengers numerous travel options throughout the day.

Full details of times and destinations are available from Nippy Bus on 01935 823888

Recent Conservative County Council Cuts now mean there are no buses available on a Saturday

St Peter's Church

Service Times

- 1st Sunday – Holy Communion at 11am**
- 2nd Sunday – Morning Praise at 11am**
- 3rd Sunday – Holy Communion at 8.30am**
- 4th Sunday – Parish Service at 11am**

**We look forward to seeing you at some or all of our services.
Everyone is welcome.**

Merryfield Hall 10-year Celebration Bangers & Mash Evening with 'A History of the Village Hall'

Friday 23rd September - 7pm

Yes, it's 10 years since we opened the New Hall here in Ilton. (It actually opened on 15th December 2006 but as that's quite a busy time of year we thought we'd celebrate slightly earlier!) Join us at the Village Hall for a Bangers and Mash supper with a delicious pudding and then take a nostalgic look back at how the village hall began its life as a 'left over' from the RAF Station based here at Ilton in 1945.

Doors Open at 7pm, Light Supper at 7.30pm followed by a small presentation of the history of the hall. Tea & coffee will be available on the evening but you are very welcome to bring your own drinks if you prefer, glasses will be provided. (The hall is not licensed to sell alcohol.)

Tickets are £5.00 each and because of the catering this is a ticket only event. Tickets are available, in advance, from Jacqueline Bennett at 3, Cottage Corner (01460 – 54164) or Jemma Harris at 69, Copse Lane (01460 – 55294.)

ILTON YOUTH CLUB

We run on Monday evenings between 7 and 8pm in term time at Ilton Village Hall. We provide games, sports, crafts and activities for children aged between 8 and 16 years. We also run a tuck shop for members. The cost per child is £2.50 (siblings £1.50). Under 8's are welcome but must be accompanied by an adult. All children are to be registered. The first session is free to new members. So come along and meet with friends and see what's on offer! Volunteers are very welcome and get a discount. For more information contact Kim on 55562 or June on 57164.

Areas of responsibility and useful numbers

There have been a number of questions raised recently about areas of responsibility for repairs around the village and who problems should be reported to.

The following is intended as a guide to try and help.

The Parish Council has responsibility for some of the grass cutting around the village including the Recreation Ground, Church yard, Cemetery, Village Green. Also the recreation ground itself and Brook Common. Any issues with these areas can be reported to the Parish Clerk Sue Morley on 53378.

The District Council has a wide range of responsibilities such as Street Cleaning, Waste collection, Planning, Stray Dogs and fouling. More details can be found on their website at www.southsomerset.gov.uk or by contacting 01935 462462.

The County Council also has a wide range of responsibilities which include Highways, Pavements, Schools, Social Care, Libraries and Public Transport. More details can be found on their website at www.somerset.gov.uk or by contacting 0845 345 9166.

Local Councillor

Sue Steele is your District Councillor. She can be contacted on 01460281345, or via her website www.susansteele.co.uk

Your County Councillor is Christopher Le Hardy. He can be contacted on 07803 894992
clehardy@somerset.gov.uk

Parish Council

The Parish Council meets every month. An opportunity is usually made available for Parishioners questions between 7.30pm and 8.00pm. This is to enable members of the community to raise any issues that may concern them. The clerk is Ms Sue Morley who can be contacted on 01460-53378. See notice board for dates of meetings.

South Somerset District Council

Area North Office-
The Council Offices, Brympton Way,
Yeovil Somerset
BA20 2HT.
Telephone 01935 462462.

Welcome

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If you have any information you would like to share with the rest of the Parish such as events or fundraising activities, please e-mail-
iltontalking@btinternet.com.

Bingo

A Bingo is held in the Memorial Hall every 3rd Friday of the month in aid of Generation Carnival Club

Doors open 6:30 eyes down 7:30

Everyone welcome

Christmas Fund Raisers

We are selling candles again this year but we now have two categories – the first is in memory of a loved one and the second is to celebrate a family name. The lit candles really look good in the Church and it is a lovely way to remember those still in our hearts at this special time of year, or to celebrate a family name, whether it's current or that of your ancestors. The candles are £1.00 each and will be lit at our Christmas carol service.

We are also opening the Church throughout December from 10am till 4pm with the building being full of Christmas trees. Using the template from Ilminster, we are inviting Village organisations, charities or any of the other 7 Churches in our benefice to decorate a Christmas tree (3' max) and display it in our Church. The Church will then be open to the public, during December, to come and see this wonderful display, and if they wish to donate to your cause then they can do so at an appropriate place in the building.

If you wish to know more, please ring me (Jacqueline) on 54164 or follow us on our St Peters Church, Ilton, facebook page. More details to follow at the end of this newsletter.

Mobile Library

Due to further cuts by the Conservatives at Somerset County Council to rural services the Mobile Library service has yet again been severely cut,

Despite requesting support from the County Councillor for this area the parish council managed to argue for a service to still stop at Ilton although not as frequently as previously

These cuts mean that the Spurwells and Wyndham Arms stops have been cut

Please see the table below for further details

Visits will be on a **Wednesday** at the following locations and will be every 4 weeks.

School -----10.55 - 11.30
Merryfield Lane ---10.40 - 10.50

Visits on Wednesdays - 2016 every 4 weeks 2016

25 May	17 August	9 November
22 June	14 September	7 December
20 July	12 October	

For further details ring 0845 3459177

Or visit www.somerset.gov.uk where all routes and timetables for the mobile library service are listed.

Police Information

Remember

When reporting a crime or an incident. Please call the following numbers:

101 or In case of emergency 999

CRIME STOPPERS on 0800 555 111 - Your call cannot be trace and you will not be asked your name

Further ways of contacting the police in your area;

By booking an appointment with your local neighbourhood team –**101**

Calling in to a beat surgery – local details are on the ‘in your area’ pages of our website

If you are deaf, deaf-blind, deafened, hard of hearing or speech impaired,

Emergency text number: **80999**

Non-emergency text number: **81003**

Non-emergency Textphone: **18001** followed by **0845 456 7000 or 101**

For more information and for more advice on all the above and much more

Please visit

www.avonandsomerset.police.uk

Ilton Merryfield Hall

Visit Ilton Merryfield hall Facebook page to find out the latest at the Village hall connect face book at

<https://m.facebook.com/profile.php?id=579478512085013>

Contact Jemma Harris (Bookings Secretary) on 01460 – 55294 for more detail on hiring the hall.

St Peters Refurbishment

As most of you know, we believe that there should be a Church in the village so to make this a viable reality we realised that a small refurbishment would be necessary. In order to complete this, first of all we needed to apply for a 'faculty' which is the equivalent to planning permission and we are VERY pleased to announce that, just over 5 years later, we finally have it!!!

The whole project will cost £80,000 and this will give us a level, accessible Church with heating, water, toilet and small servery. The altar area will essentially be the Church, although for larger services, we would obviously use the whole Church, and the nave would become a useable space that we could hire out and so make it sustainable. So now, it's down to careful planning, good use of the meagre funds we do have and, of course, applying for those very much needed grants. When you apply for a grant you have to meet 2 criteria – the first is to match fund as much as possible towards the grants you are applying for, whether it's physically with money or by using free labour, free materials etc to help achieve the end goal. (Eg: if there is any kind soul out there that could build a couple of kitchen units – it's a very small servery! – then that would count as part of our contribution towards the project.) The second criteria is that we need to prove that this village is behind us and does want a Church to stay as an integral part of our lives and to this end we are asking all of you to fill in a questionnaire at the back of this newsletter.

Now this brings us on to 2 favours we'd like to ask;

- 1) We realise we have rather a lot of requests and it would take 3 or 4 visits to cover all of them so to save us time and you repeatedly answering the door, we'd like to call just the once! When we call we would like to enquire about the following; a) the questionnaire, b) if you would like a candle, c) if you would like to attend the harvest supper or the history evening, d) if you can donate anything towards our harvest raffle and e) if you are part of an organisation/charity that would like to have a Christmas Tree in the Church in December. We also realise that you are not going to support all of these, and we are not expecting you to, and indeed some of you may not want to support any, but if there is anything that you can do *please* fill in the questionnaire. The rest is completely voluntary and we won't be offended if you don't want anything else, a simple 'no thank you' is all we ask.
- 2) To cover the whole village takes an awful long time and we aim to do this by the end of September. If you could help us to cover an area, or even 2 or 3 houses next to you, we would be very grateful, every bit of help counts. Phone Kate (55308) or Jacqueline (54164) if you can help and we'll co-ordinate it so that we only call once! (You can also bring your completed questionnaires to our event at the Church on Bank Holiday Monday, if you prefer.)

Thank you in advance.

St Peters Church Survey

Please fill in this form and return it to us when we call, thank you. Please tick or circle all answers.

1. Do you believe that there should be a Church in our village?

Yes

No

2. Do you have a Faith?

Christian

Other

None

Prefer not to say

3. As well as the usual Sunday services, would you attend any of the following in our Church?

Musical Afternoons/Evenings

Plays

Exhibitions

Coffee Mornings/Craft Fayres

Flower Festival

Educational Mornings/Afternoons/Evenings

Mothers & Toddlers

Christmas Carol Service

Harvest Festival

Easter Services

Cinema/Film Shows

Drop-In Cafe

Library

Sunday School

4. If we were to put any of the above events on, would you consider helping us with them?

Yes

No

5. If there was a useable space for hire in the Church (and the village hall was booked) would you consider using it?

Yes

No

Name.....

Address.....

(1st line only)

(Continue over the page)

Please also fill in any one of these if you are interested, thank you.

1. I would like candles to be lit at the Christmas Carol Service.

In Memory of

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and/or

Celebrating the family name of

.....

2. I would like tickets for the Bangers and Mash Evening

Name and 1st line of address

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3. I would like tickets for the Harvest Supper

Name and 1st line of address

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4. I am part of the organisation/charity of

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and we would like to decorate a 2ft/3ft Christmas Tree in the Church in December.

5. I can contribute a raffle prize of

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And I will either give it to you now or

It will be ready for collection on

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Thank you for your support