

# Editorial

It's been an eventful month since I last wrote an editorial for the Journal. We finally established our new packing station in Dorset and launched our new online shop ([thetreasurestore.com](http://thetreasurestore.com)) to replace our physical shop in the High Street. Thank you to all who have supported us so far. It is very encouraging. Add to this a couple of days in hospital and it has, indeed, been an interesting month.

I know that many of our readers do not use, or have access to, social media (Facebook, Instagram, whats app etc), but it can be a useful tool for sending or receiving information quickly. Unfortunately, it does get misused by some people. Bad language, personal attacks, false information are just a few of the ways it can get misused.

I do use facebook locally for quickly allowing people to see the latest offers we have on our online shop, or other things of interest.. I have noticed recently that fewer people now appear to use the local facebook group and even the ones who do, use it less and less. In a way this is a good thing because the content is more accurate and mainly as a way of conveying information which is relevant to the community.

I'm pleased to say that our readership of the Journal remains stable. Online media can't replace the written word it seems. Mainly, I think because it is still there and available any time you want it.

This is also due in a large part because of our network of volunteer distributors, to whom we are eternally grateful.

It would be nice if we could increase the readership in some of the surrounding villages and we would welcome any volunteers to promote this.

Finally, can I remind everyone that annual subscriptions are due next month. I am pleased to say the subscription is being held again, at just £6 per year for 10 issues. Your distributor will be in touch.

Trevor Parnham, Editor

## VJ75 Anniversary Remembrance

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# News from All Saints Church, Wrington

Dear friends,

Naturally the beginning of September is the time of year when, naturally, our thoughts turn to the return to school. This year more than ever it's in the headlines as schools make themselves as safe as they can. Indeed, I can't help but feel that the difficulties facing young people during the current pandemic have been rather under-rated.

For starters, I can't imagine what it was to go without school for six months. While some might initially have enjoyed the experience, harsh realities soon set in: an absence of friends, a lack of wider opportunities schools can offer, parents who felt ill-equipped to fulfil the role of teacher. I suspect that was bad enough for the younger children. But I suspect it was even worse for the young teenagers.

An important transition happens, normally in the early teenage years, when family support becomes less important to a young person as they try to become more independent and instead the support of friends becomes vital. It's been great in more recent weeks, since lockdown, to see groups of youngsters wandering our streets, parks and fields, and being what they need to be: young people together.

There comes a time for every young person to become more independent and begin the process of cutting the ties of home. For many of our young people, that process has been delayed because of the lockdown. However, as they enjoy what's left of this peculiar summer and now return to school or college, let's remember them as they begin again their voyage of discovery and enjoy the freedom this area has to offer.

It's great to see so many friends back at church again. Please do remember that we do need to ask everyone to bring a mask when you come to church. We also need to ask you to sign in so that we can comply with Government Test and Trace requirements, keeping you safe in these strange times.

Finally, we have had a spate of thefts from All Saints over the summer. If you ever see anything suspicious, please don't hesitate to call the police on our behalf, though, if you're worried it might be a false alarm, please feel free to call me (07773 537626).

Every blessing,

**David Gent**  
**Rector**

# News from All Saints Church, Wrington

## **Benefice Sunday Services for September**

Sunday 6th September

8 a.m. Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Burrington  
9.30 a.m. Parish Communion at All Saints' Wrington  
11.00 a.m. Parish Communion at Christ Church, Redhill  
11.15 a.m. Family Service at St Michael's Butcombe

Sunday 13th September

9.30 a.m. Parish Communion at All Saints' Wrington  
11.00 a.m. Parish Communion at Christ Church, Redhill  
11.00 a.m. BCP Matins at Holy Trinity, Burrington  
11.15 a.m. Parish Communion at St Michael's Butcombe

Sunday 20th September

9.30 a.m. Family Communion at Holy Trinity, Burrington  
9.30 a.m. Harvest Family Communion at All Saints' Wrington  
11.00 a.m. Parish Communion at Christ Church, Redhill  
11.15 a.m. Family Communion at St Michael's Butcombe

Sunday 27th September

9.30 a.m. Parish Communion at All Saints' Wrington  
11.00 a.m. Parish Communion at Christ Church, Redhill  
11.00 a.m. BCP Matins at Holy Trinity, Burrington  
6.30 p.m. Evensong at St Michael's Butcombe

Everyone welcome. Please bring a mask with you.

## **N.B. Midweek services have now started again:-**

Wednesdays 9.00 a.m. on zoom Morning Prayer  
<https://zoom.us/j/7521073898>

Thursdays 9.00 a.m. Christ Church Morning Prayer

Fridays 8.30 a.m. All Saints' Holy Communion

## Views from Christ Church, Redhill

Where has this year gone. It was January that we started to hear about COVID and March when Lock-Down started. Lock-Down passed relatively quickly, as we each learned how to cope. A couple of months of easing out of Lock-Down, trying to understand 'The New Normal', but that too has passed in a flash. So here we are in September and it feels as if we have achieved very little.

This may, or may not, be your experience. You may have used Lock-Down to achieve some great feat, but for most that I have spoken to the focus has just been on surviving and let's face it, that has been no mean feat. Helped by many many people, most of whom we probably don't even know, we have come through this crisis. Government statistics show that no one locally has succumbed to the disease. That really is something. We have come through the worst of the medical crisis and we have learned to live differently; no handshaking, frequent hand washing and wearing masks in public. Those are not minor issues. It has taken a long time for me to feel comfortable not shaking hands with someone when we meet for the first time. We are not the same as we were at the beginning of this year. A big achievement.

So we arrive at September, the month of Harvest Thanksgiving. Normally a time of Produce Shows and finding out if anyone can grow onions bigger than those of

John Lee and I understand that young Ethan McClennan is making strides in that direction. This year we may not feel we have a lot to put on the harvest table, though we have an awful lot to be grateful for. The delivery drivers who have kept coming to our doors with supermarket deliveries or other on-line purchases. Shopkeepers who have gone to such lengths to offer a safe shopping experience. Neighbours who have phoned regularly.

Central to Harvest is that God had provided for our needs; seeds for sowing, rain and sunshine for growth, and farmers to tend and gather the crops. I have met a lot of people who thank God that He has, and is, providing for our needs during this crisis. For surely, the help we have received is inspired by more than just human nature.

Through this crisis we have experienced our vulnerability, our need of God, and sensed His hand at work.

Our harvest service will be held at 2:30pm on 27th September on the Playing Field, or in the Village Hall if wet. Come, and help us celebrate and give thanks.

May God grace us all with His bountiful love and fill our hearts with abounding hope for what is to come.

*Andrew*

**Rev'd Andrew Hemming,  
Priest for Redhill**

## Views from Wrington Chapel

As I write, we still haven't had our first 'service' at Wrington Chapel since lockdown. By the time you read this, we should have had two: 9th August and 23rd August. I'm sure, as with everything else that we do at the moment, they will be awkward and strange, and many will come away feeling that they haven't worshipped as they should.

I sympathise. We are still trying to find ways to make church work properly. That may mean some methods have gone for ever, and we have to get used to different ways to work out our faith. That's fine for administration - using Zoom, email, telephone, and other ways to talk at a socially appropriate distance. But Christianity has always been about fellowship: about heart, care, love, upholding each other, encouraging and helping. That is so difficult to do from two meters away. You naturally want to hug someone who is tearful, hold the hand of those in pain, share a coffee with someone who is struggling. That part of our faith is a real challenge.

After all, Jesus said 'Love one another as I have loved you.' And he showed love by sharing fellowship, eating with his disciples, touching the sick, blessing children, and all those other little things. That is our God. And that is the God we want to walk with, sharing in that way of life.

Enough of my frustrations. There is still much we can do as a chapel. As I said last month, all our services have been, and continue to be, on our website. So look at [wringtonchapel.com](http://wringtonchapel.com) if you've missed hearing some sincere teaching and worship.

If you wish to join a bible study group, they still continue, albeit through Zoom. Some of our groups are experimenting (when the weather is good) with meeting in small groups in gardens.

We continue to support the Food Bank, and pray for those in need. As usual, any requests for prayer will be welcomed and treated with confidentiality and respect.

So, back to those services. I cannot yet say when, and if, they will happen in September. But keep your eye on our website, or posters. Like everything, there are restrictions, but tell us if you want to come.

Meanwhile, may you know God's grace.

**Duncan, Revd Duncan Tuck**

## NEWS FROM ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS, BUTCOMBE

Butcombe is back in business, St Michael's is up and running again!

It has been so good to worship together again in our beautiful Church and to see our dear friends and neighbours face to face (socially distancing of course).

We are planning the following services during September.

Any changes will be advertised on the notice board or check the Daily Retreat.

6th September      **FAMILY SERVICE** at 11.15am

13th September    **PARISH COMMUNION** at 11.15am

20th September    **FAMILY COMMUNION** at 11.15am

27th September    **HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE** at 6.00pm (please note earlier time)

Sadly there will be no Harvest Supper following the Service this year

St Michael's is open every day, from 7am to 7pm, for individual prayer and reflection or enjoy the peacefulness and fine views from the Church grounds. Covid 19 safety and cleaning regulations are being followed, details in the porch.

*Face coverings are required to be worn at Church services.*

### **Frances Worle & Becky Patch**

#### Legg's Charity – grants available

Legg's is a small local charity which provides grants to families who live in the civil Parish of Wrington (which includes Redhill), or whose children have attended Wrington primary school, to help with the cost of extra-curricular activities such as music lessons, school visits, special tuition, sporting activities, etc. Grants can also be given for buying school uniform.

The Trustees of Legg's did not hold its usual summer meeting to consider grants, but now that children will be going back to school and perhaps to some of the previous after school activities, families are invited to apply for grants to be distributed in October.

Anyone wishing to make an application can request an application form from Gabrielle Wilson, [gwaw@agwilson4.plus.com](mailto:gwaw@agwilson4.plus.com) or alternatively, forms can be obtained from the office at Wrington school. Please note that grants are usually for modest amounts – typically around £100 or less – and that all correspondence relating to grants is totally confidential.

**Gabrielle Wilson, Convenor, Legg's Charity**

# Local Interest

## A Message from Zero Waste Pantry.

This month has been a busy one for me, moving into the new shop at 4A High Street and welcoming all customers old and new back inside again. How great is Wrington! I am a newcomer and have only lived here for 4 years but this feels like home away from home for me. The High Street and Broad Street are buzzing now that lockdown has been relaxed and hopefully people are continuing to get all they need without going too far out of the village.

One of the areas of focus for the Pantry is local and British first. I feel very strongly that the food chain should be as short as possible. This means mostly eating seasonally and being aware of where my food comes from and how it is handled as well as how the growers/producers are treated. This is a personal choice and not always a practical one, but I try my best and that is good enough, all it takes is small changes to create another change and another one.

With every product stocked in the Pantry, I try to know as much about it as possible, I use lots of local(ish) producers. It is not just about plastic or packaging, it is about reconnecting us to what we eat, use, and buy and what happens to it after we are done with it. Some of the makers/producers/growers I stock at the Pantry are soaps made by **Somerset Natural Soaps** which are handmade in Brean Down, handmade chocolates by Nailsea **Ohh Chocolata**, fresh flowers grown, cut and arranged by the **Barley Wall Kitchen Garden**, and the list goes on and will continue to grow. These small businesses rely on us making conscious choices for them to flourish. One thing I hear is that low waste and local is expensive and elitist, I do not agree. Some of my products are comparable, and some are a bit pricier than what you can get in the supermarket. As a small business I can't undercut my prices to get people through the doors to then spend more than they need to, which is one way the supermarkets lure you in. Instead, the service I offer is a friendly face, research into my stock and making sure you are only buying what you need. Don't get me wrong, you may impulse shop, I stock a lot of nice things! But apart from the food products everything else available is designed to last and when it is done with it goes back into nature.

I invite everyone to come in and have a look around, I love a chat and there is absolutely zero pressure to buy anything (especially in your first visit ☐). Our village is amazing, and we do have everything we need on our doorstep, so please continue to shop local and help our High Street thrive.

Small steps can make big changes. Stay safe and well.

# Local Interest

## **Online Talks for The Arts Society Mendip**

*1st September*

**'Winston Churchill - the artist'**. Dr Claire Walsh will talk to The Art Society Mendip on 1st Sep at 11.00am. via Zoom, how Churchill was rescued from his deep depression by painting. Links will be sent to members prior to the talk. The site will open at 10.15 am. Guests welcome, the link will be forwarded with instructions on request to [info@theartssocietymendip.org.uk](mailto:info@theartssocietymendip.org.uk). A guest subscription of £3 will be requested.

*6th October.*

**'How the women of Paris lived and died in the 1940s'**. Anna Sebba will give the talk, based on her book of this same name, to The Arts Society Mendip on 6th October, at 11.00am. via Zoom. Links will be sent to members prior to the talk. The site will open at 10.15 am. Guests welcome, the link will be forwarded with instructions on request to [info@theartssocietymendip.org.uk](mailto:info@theartssocietymendip.org.uk). A guest subscription of £3 will be requested.

## **Wrighton Gardening Club**

### **Potato in a Bucket..**

Those members who have been growing the one potato in a bucket and who have not yet eaten them!, please tip them out and weigh the result.

This will be for the individual's interest only as there is no competition of course, but we can let others in the club know about it and compare.

Happy weighing and please phone Maggie Williams (861126) with your result.

Many thanks.

**Pauline Jefferies (Chair)**

## Wrington Revisited - A series by Bill Crook Part 3

1950. India becomes a Republic. The Group Areas Act (Apartheid) comes into effect in South Africa. Communist North Korea invades South Korea. Mother Theresa establishes Missionaries of Charity in India.

Starting school in 1948, It was Mrs. Gunning, our primary teacher, who crafted us kids from Silver St. (and others, of course) into a class and a community group. Most pupils stayed in the same learning and social bubble through to the age of twelve. I was part of this particular bubble and so this is their story as much as mine.

To five year olds room 1 was big, very big. It needed to be because there were about 25 people in that space consisting of 22 kids, Mrs. Gunning and two other very important people. Two people who were to influence, to a greater or lesser degree, the future of all the kids in the class. I refer, of course, to Janet and John. Together they appeared on little brown cards about 10cm x 20cm with characters coloured red and yellow and with the first simple written words of English printed in black. This is Janet, Janet has a cat ,This is John ,John has a hat. .... or something like that!! There were a dozen or so of these cards which progressively became a little more challenging. Each child would be taken in turn and coaxed by the motherly and very patient Mrs. Gunning. As it happened I was relatively quick learning to read and was pleased with my own skill level. Handwriting, however, was a different matter and one that I have struggled with for ever. In room 2 it caused me some grief. First the pens, then the nibs and then the ink. I could never get them coordinated! Teacher, who shall remain nameless, would write screeds on the blackboard and we had to copy them onto paper. Well the pen went one way and the ink went the other way and I just couldn't keep up. Teacher grabbed me by the scruff of the neck, dragged me to the front of the class, sat me down at another desk, clipped me under the ear and said "now, get a move on". Tears came to my eyes but they prompted no mercy from teacher who said "get that paper wet, my boy, and you'll get another clip under the ear"!

Some 18 months later I was found to be short sighted and for a while was known as "four eyes". How I loved school. Something to look forward to was the annual children's day. The day began with a fancy dress parade starting from the railway station and making it's way to Broad Street. Here the judging took place, not only for the best dressed, but also to choose the Carnival Queen. I don't know what year it was but the only Carnival Queen I can remember was Joan Day. After judging, the parade continued on to the recreation field before dispersing. Children's sports followed which included egg and spoon, three legged and sack races as well as the traditional 100yards and long jump events. First prize, sixpence. Second prize threepence and Third prize the princely sum of one penny. But wait, there's more. The day was completed by the childrens' tea in the Memorial Hall. Each kid took his/hers own cup, spoon and small plate to enjoy sandwiches and cakes. Jelly and ice cream may have been served but I can't remember.

One thing I do remember was that wherever there was food and kids there was the ubiquitous Mrs. Bryce.

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## Wrington Revisited - A series by Bill Crook Cont...

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Before moving to Silver Street we lived in Rose Cottage, by the church. It was two dwellings then and Mrs. Bryce lived next door. Mrs. Bryce was a regular film goer to Mr. Cattermauls' Monday and Friday nights' picture show at the Memorial Hall. So were me and Mickey Owers! Mrs. Bryce sat at the back (One and three pence) whilst me and Mickey Owers sat in the front rows (Eight pence). Mrs. Bryce liked westerns and her enthusiasm was infectious. As the Indians tightened their stranglehold on the wagon train and when all appeared lost the cavalry would appear from over the hills. As they charged to the rescue Mrs. Bryce would urge them on. "C'mon our side, c'mon our side", she would yell with glee. I can hear her as I write this. After 70 years what finer tribute? Mr. Cattermauls' cashier at the picture show was Ivy Davies, the post lady no less. Miss. Davies's mail delivery route was not an easy one. She had to plod to the top of Wrington Hill, down an unnamed lane into the rather isolated and lonely walking track at the bottom of the warren to where there used to be a goldfish pond (might still be there) and up and over to the top of the hill road. Then down to the village, every day, rain or shine. For some reason and I know not why Miss. Davies was known locally as Ivy K'Davies. As cashier she was always well made up, impeccably dressed and she had a penchant for wearing her cardigan over her shoulders. Ivy was also missing one or two fingers on her right hand but this was no hurdle and she made the flicking of coins across the table into an art form. Her act was as good as some of the films I saw! And I saw quite a few films. It was films like "Gone with the wind" and "Across the wide Missouri" with their powerful and poignant theme tunes that stirred within me a love of music. What the musical arrangers of Shenandoah did for the American west, so later I would learn, Dvoraks' New World symphony did for America.

**To be continued .....**

"Life is really simple, but we insist on making it complicated." -*Confucius*

"Keep smiling, because life is a beautiful thing and there's so much to smile about." -*Marilyn Monroe*

"Life is trying things to see if they work." -*Ray Bradbury*

"If you really look closely, most overnight successes took a long time." -*Steve Jobs*

# Local Club News Cont.....



## Wrighton Vale Rotary Club

**Rotary in Action.** A Blagdon Team is still producing Scrub Sets for Care Homes;

You may recall that in the midst of the PPE crisis, the Club established Operation Scrubs based on Wrighton (Roger Vincent) and Blagdon (John Murphy). After massive activity, the crisis eased and activity wound down. However, we are delighted to report that the operation has continued in a more modest way with the creation of the Blagdon Scrub Hub (Tricia Murphy). This is a growing band of eight Ladies who produce scrub sets of all sizes often funded by the care homes themselves. Recently, the group supplied 29 scrub sets of different sizes funded by a donation of £300 from the care home to purchase material. Congratulations to all involved.

**Novel Fundraiser.** In these difficult times, the Club has adopted a Topical way of raising funds in the form of a sponsored weight loss. All proceeds will go to **Macmillan Cancer Support.**

Eleven Members of variable proportions have committed to losing a specified amount over six weeks. In total, the magnificent eleven have pledged to lose 105 lbs. Friends and Family have been recruited to sponsor the participating members.

On August 1st these brave Volunteers registered their start weight. Judgment day is the 12<sup>th</sup> September. Watch this space!

**Meetings.** We have excellent speakers via zoom on Wednesday evenings. One advantage being that the Speaker can be anywhere!

**The Secret Life of Habits.** An intriguing presentation by Grace Jones explaining the deeper workings of our minds and the triviality of our conscious minds. Our conscious mind can hold about 7 pieces of information, whilst the brain receives about 2 million stimuli per second. Grace gave us a strategy for changing habits and creating new ones. A thought provoking talk.

**Cancer Research UK.** Five guests joined us from CRUK. Rosalyn Fry, a ten year CRUK veteran gave a short presentation of the CRUK mission and activities. Survival rates have improved from 1 in 2, in the seventies to 3 in 4 today. A key to this is early diagnosis. Average clinical trials last 12 years and are very expensive. Raising money in the Covid environment is challenging. Dr Rachel Shaw then explained some technical issues advising that her hope for the future is in immunotherapy, but with a word of caution in that new cancers are emerging all the time. Evidenced by the fact that there are 11 different Breast cancers. Altogether, a wonderful presentation on a most vital subject.

**Aid to Malawi.** You may know that Chelwood Bridge Rotary is the cen-



# Local Interest

## Maggie's Dummy!

During the current pandemic, novel ways of keeping fit for sport club membership has resulted in Bristol Fencing Club setting up regular fencing sessions via zoom.

Maggie Myers who has been fencing for over 50 years, and who has successfully represented Great Britain at International Veteran Fencing events around the world has joined in with these sessions. It has involved her stuffing her fencing jacket with a pillow and hanging it from a kitchen door architrave on coat hangers. She then follows the directions of her coach through her computer which involves foot, arm actions depending on whether her "imagined" opponent is attacking or defending against her, be they right or left handed.

Since March Maggie has found these sessions a brilliant way of keeping herself fencing fit both physically and mentally and given her a focus to her day.

She said that for once she is "winning all her points" beating all her imagined opponents, with no appeals needed.

Hopefully Bristol Fencing Club will be able to get back into Cotham School Sports hall that they use on Monday and Fridays, when the School reopens for students in September. In the meantime Maggie continues to give her "dummy" a good workout.

Kind regards

**Maggie Myers**



Me and my dummy



Lunging at my dummy

## Local Interest

### “Keep Wrington as Wrington

In early August many Wrington residents received a letter from a consultation group called Pegasus acting on behalf of a housing development company called Strongvox. The letter offers the opportunity to contribute to the proposed development of up to 71 houses on the fields behind Butts Batch in Wrington. The letter links to a website [www.buttsbatch.co.uk](http://www.buttsbatch.co.uk)

The initial consultation period was until 28<sup>th</sup> August 2020. Steve Hogg asked for this timeframe to be extended to the end of September. The developers agreed to a 2-week extension until 11<sup>th</sup> September 2020. Due to the restrictions imposed as a result of Covid-19 there can not be a public gathering or any physical consultation. This consultation would all be done virtually, electronically or in writing.

This consultation is developer led and is being carried out prior to submission of any formal planning application. The consultation is about gaining local insight regarding concerns to further development of Wrington and then seeking to address these concerns in the development process. This means that any objections made by those opposing the development may be incorporated into the formal planning application by Strongvox and therefore used to their advantage. Therefore, at this stage, we would encourage those of you who are opposed to this development, to simply state your opposition without stating the reasons why. Detailed objections can be made formally to North Somerset Council once the planning process begins.

We have all seen how Wrington comes together to maintain its appeal as a country village. A number of us opposed to this development have formed a group called 'Keep Wrington as Wrington'. As with the Cox's Green development this is a 'Developer and Land Owner led proposal'. The demand for extra housing is not coming from the local community.

Many thanks,

**Keep Wrington as Wrington**

# On Our Farms

I came across an Alvis Bros newsletter recently written soon after the death of John Alvis Snr in 1995. It was Mr Alvis who formed Alvis Bros Ltd along with his brother Sam in the early 1950's. Amongst the articles was one written by the now John Alvis Snr (the founders son) about how his father had built the business from scratch in 1935 to what it was in 1995 and some of those who had been part of that process. Local family names such as Corfield, Blacker, Wells, Venn and Garrett were amongst those that featured in one way or another. The point was made that many of these had worked with Mr Alvis following the second world war and for decades afterwards. The men on the farms and the ladies making the cheese worked harder than many of us could even imagine. Cows were milked, pigs were fed, crops were grown and cheese was made. There wasn't the mechanisation we take for granted today. There was no automation in the milking sheds, the tractors didn't have loaders, the cheese making was all done by hand and a lot of field work was still done with hand held equipment. My career at Lye Cross Farm started in 1982 and crossed over with some of the old characters that had been here for the previous thirty seven years. I recollect 'us youngsters' being regaled with tales of what it was like four decades before and how lucky we were to be working in the 1980's and not the 1940's. Which made me think. I wonder what a fresh faced, 19 year-old of 2020 will remember of what is going on at Lye Cross Farm now in thirty seven years time. Will we still be milking cows? Will we still be rearing cattle and pigs for their meat? Will we still be growing crops as we grow them now? Will we still be making cheese? Will whatever we do on the farm be completely controlled by computers and automated with no human input? Things changed between 1945 and 1982 but not beyond all recognition. Farming went through a period of evolution. With all the pressure now to protect and enhance the environment, animal welfare and human health concerns, and the need to feed a continually growing global population, will the next thirty seven years see a period of revolution when things do change beyond recognition? Will we see all 'milk' pressed from vegetables? Will we see meat being cultivated in factories? Will we see vegetable crops being grown in a controlled environment indoors? Will we still eat cheese? There are many unknowns and it will be interesting to see what does happen. People need to eat and no doubt clever people will work out how to produce enough food of some sort to enable that. I don't know how it will be done but it will. Our daughters' school motto was 'we should look to the future and cherish the past'. It wouldn't be a bad thing to do with farming. Some things need to change and will. That said, not everything needs to change and we need to protect and be proud of the bits that don't.

**Nick Green MBA P.Agric FRAgS FIAgM C.Env**  
**Farm Operations Director, Lye Cross Farm**

# Local Clubs



## Inner Wheel Club of Wrington Vale

Our planned first get-together of the new IW year was spoiled by the great British weather! Unfortunately our Book Club was cancelled as we weren't able to hold it outdoors, so after a long somewhat lonely few months we admitted defeat. At least it wasn't virus-related but something totally home-grown!

The final donation of the 2019/20 year was to Weston Hospice. Two of our members had completed a virtual walk of 30 minutes per day for 30 days. Ann Thatcher walked in an orchard and Angela Jones walked in Winscombe to visit some local donkeys – she took carrots of course! Between them they raised a staggering total of £1,330. These donations were from fellow members of Inner Wheel and Rotary, friends, neighbours and other well-wishers. The walk was in memory of Roy Jones, Angela's husband, father to Nic and Claire, grandfather and good friend to many in Inner Wheel and Rotary.

The pictures show the cheque presentation to a member of Staff by retiring President Angie Horne, plus a picture of Angela and Ann. Are those grins saying: "Didn't we do well?" or are they saying: "I can't wait to put my aching feet up!"



# VJDAY 75th Anniversary

## Royal British Legion

A Remembrance service was held at the Village War Memorial in All Saints' Churchyard on Saturday 15th August 2020.

Twenty people supported the event which included the Exhortation remembering the Burma Star Veterans from the Village : Stan Frappell, Ernie Mellett and Richard Hennessey; Two minutes silence; Kohima epitaph; wreath laying; a bible reading and closing prayers.

The daughter-in-law of Richard attended but unfortunately the sons Andrew Frappell and Ralph Mellett were unable to attend.

After the event a bell was chimed, by Philip Kinsman, 75 times to mark the passing of the years.

A display was mounted in 'The Boot Shop' window displaying pictures of Wrington servicemen, the Burma Star Association plaque (made by Ernie Mellett) and other memorabilia.

Legion members also attended the Sunday morning service commemorating the end of World War Two.

## John Gallop Branch Secretary



# VJDAY 75th Anniversary

More photos from the Remembrance service held at the Village War Memorial in All Saints' Churchyard on Saturday 15th August 2020.



# Diary Extracts from a Trip to Malaysia

## Rehab

We wake up about 4.30am, pack, shower, dress, leave our main luggage with the friendly hotel people and take a taxi to Kota Kinabalu airport. As we leave, we hear an Imam calling the faithful to prayer; the amplified chanting sounds like a soul in torment. The internal flight is uneventful; we only spend about 35 minutes in the air, above the mountainous, wooded land of Sabah. We land at Sandakan, change some money for Ringgits, the Malaysian currency, and immediately have to spend some of it on taxi tokens. I'm not sure whether this is a measure to prevent tourists being ripped off by unregistered taxi drivers, or a protectionist scheme designed to favour the airport's own official taxis. A half-hour drive takes us through increasingly lush, wild, jungle terrain, to the village of Sepilok.

We are among the first to arrive at Uncle Tan's Wildlife HQ. We check in with a member of staff, and sit down to take stock. We haven't slept much for the last two nights, and we're hungry. There is a self-service breakfast bar: little pancakes, hard boiled eggs, mini bananas, toast and jam, and tea bags, instant coffee and powdered milk. We go for a walk round the compound and see black squirrels, big grey lizards, and brightly coloured birds flitting among the vegetation. There are several cats, with the short, kinked tails characteristic of many Asian cats.

More people show up: Sean, from Cornwall, Liz, from York, Pernilla and Melina, sisters from Denmark, a Dutch family with two young children. There is a Czech family, with two older children, accompanied by Hana, their guide and interpreter. A minibus arrives and takes us to the Orangutan Sanctuary and Rehabilitation Centre, a couple of miles down the road. We purchase tickets to enter the reserve and take photographs: at the entrance J is sent back to buy another ticket, as the attendant has noticed that he is carrying two cameras. We enter the reserve on a series of raised wooden walkways. On the way, we see an orangutan high in the trees above us – rehabilitated OUs are free to leave the reserve, but some choose to stay in the area.

Our first port of call is the Outdoor Rehabilitation Station, where half a dozen OU orphans are disporting themselves quite charmingly, in a beefed-up adventure playground. They have been rescued from the wild when their mothers were killed. Probably for the illegal pet trade, but sadly also for 'bush meat'. Because of the political situation in Malaysia,

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OU habitat is being eroded by legal and illegal logging, and rainforest clearance for palm oil plantations. It takes up to 10 years for a baby OU's mother to teach it what it needs to know to become independent and self-sufficient, so these little fellows are here for the long haul, and the staff have a thorough programme for preparing them to return to the wild. Close contact with humans is minimised, because OUs are susceptible to the same diseases as us, and to give them a chance to develop as OUs, and not model themselves on humans.

**Steve Taylor**

## **FRIENDS OF WRINGTON CHURCHYARD**

**Registered charity no. 1093436**

Eager readers of The Village Journal will be aware that no notice has been published for the holding of the Friends of Wrington Churchyard Annual General Meeting. In view of the on-going Covid-19 pandemic the trustees of the charity took the sensible decision to not hold an AGM this year. The decision, made on 29<sup>th</sup> May, has been duly noted in the Friends' Minute Book and is in accordance with specific guidance provided by the Charity Commission.

That said, the charity's accounts were prepared and independently scrutinised before lockdown. A copy of the Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts for the year to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019 is now available from the Hon Secretary.

With no AGM there were no elections to the committee. So Pippa Marsh remains as Hon Chair, Chris Brown as Hon Treasurer, Jeremy Birkett as Hon Secretary. Ali Ledbury, Pat Ledbury and Andrew Whiting also continue as trustees.

Whilst we may all have been in lockdown the grass in the Churchyard has certainly continued to grow and I am pleased to have seen the regular mowing team attend every so often to keep everything looking so good. Thank you to them.

The 'Friends' is in a fortunate position in that regular donations have continued to be received and this has enabled the charity to continue to meet its main objective of contributing 2/3 the cost of the grass-cutting, by way of a grant. Grants for other work to enhance the Churchyard particularly following a recent tree survey have also been possible.

If you like what you see outside All Saints Church and would like to make either a one-off or a regular donation to enable us to maintain our on-going support please contact our Hon Treasurer, Chris Brown on 01934 862067.

Thank you. **Jeremy Birkett, Hon Secretary 01934 863146**

# Local Interest

## Reflexology Lymphatic Drainage (RLD) at R and R Reflexology

In the last year many people have enquired about the use of RLD in my practice, so I thought it might be helpful to write a brief introduction.

For many decades, Reflexology has often been ignored as there was little or no recorded proof of its effective use in helping patients with physical and mental wellbeing. People, especially those in the medical profession, would cite any claims to its effective use as being anecdotal and lacking in evidence.

The founding of recognised professional bodies within Reflexology, the development of an evidence base and the arrival of RLD have helped counter this view.

Sally Kay, the creator of RLD, worked on isolating the reflexes of the lymphatic system and incorporating this with the principles of Manual Lymphatic Drainage massage and Simple Lymph Drainage to produce a different way of practicing. Her final year degree dissertation research proposal was based on this new protocol, and required her to obtain approval from the NHS research ethics committee.

In January 2011 Sally began a study of participants who all suffered with breast cancer related lymphoedema, whilst studying at Cardiff University.

Sally's first article about RLD was published in April 2013 and soon after this she began teaching training courses in RLD.

Although initially used as a treatment for women who had suffered breast cancer and related lymphoedema of the arm, it is now shown to be effective in helping with the treatment of other issues, especially those of the autoimmune system.

For many patients it is not only the physical improvements that have been of benefit to them, but also the psychological ones associated with better self image, increased confidence and a general feeling of well being and positivity.

A simple example of the success I have had when applying this method is when I used it on one of my clients who suffered with swollen feet and ankles. After RLD she was subsequently able to, "wear proper shoes, not just flat sandals on the widest fitting." Her aim was to be able to wear pretty shoes to her daughter's wedding - and Reader, she did! She can now also go walking with her friends and family. The difference in the appearance of her swollen feet was astounding.

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## Reflexology Lymphatic Drainage (RLD) at R and R Reflexology

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As with all Reflexology protocols, we cannot guarantee a positive outcome, but my experience so far has been very encouraging. Many clients who receive this type of reflexology have continued to attend the practice on a regular basis, feeling that it benefits them not only as regards their initial concerns, but also as a regular 'body maintenance' regime.

We call Reflexology a complementary therapy because we work alongside other disciplines, including those within the health service, helping to improve the wellbeing of patients and also their carers. Perhaps if you are currently receiving manual lymph drainage, suffering from oedema, an autoimmune disease or just curious, you might like to give RLD a try. Please call me to discuss the possibilities of using this or another reflexology protocol to help you towards an improvement in your general well-being.

Take care and keep washing those hands!

**Sara Franklin 01934 862255 or 07789070727**

## Local Bus Timetable

### A5 Timetable – 4 February 2019

Winford to Winscombe via Bristol Airport and Wrington  
Mondays to Saturday (Not Public Holidays)

Winford, Kingston Lane	0745	1015	.....	1445	1645
Felton, George and Dragon	0752	1022	.....	1452	1652
<i>A3 departs Weston-s-Mare</i>				1205	1405
<i>A3 arrives Bristol Airport</i>				1248	1448
Bristol Airport	0757	1027	1257	1457	1657
Redhill, Lye Hole Lane	0805	1035	1305	1505	1705
Wrington, Broad Street	0813	1043	1313	1513	1713
Langford, Post Office	0821	1051	1321	1521	1721
Churchill, Hillier's Lane	0825	1055	1325	1525	1725
Sandford, Church	0828	1058	1328	1528	1728
Winscombe, Browns Corner	0837	1107	1337	1537	1737
Winscombe, Triangle	0839	1109	1339	1539	1739
<i>126 departs Winscombe</i>				1121	
<i>126 arrives Weston-s-Mare</i>				1157	
<i>126 departs Weston-s-Mare</i>				1505	
<i>126 arrives Sandford</i>				1542	
Winscombe, Triangle	0913	1113	1343	1543	
Winscombe, Browns Corner	0915	1115	1345	1545	
Sandford, Church	0927	1127	1357	1557	
Churchill, Hillier's Lane	0930	1130	1400	1600	
Langford, Post Office	0934	1134	1404	1604	
Wrington, Broad Street	0942	1142	1412	1612	
Redhill, Lye Hole Lane	0950	1150	1420	1620	
Bristol Airport arr	0958	1158	1428	1628	
<i>A3 departs Bristol Airport</i>				1010	1210
<i>A3 arrives Weston-s-Mare</i>				1054	1254
Bristol Airport dep	1005	.....	1435	1635	
Winford, Kingston Lane	1015	.....	1445	1645	
Felton, George and Dragon	1022	.....	1452	1652	

## Affordable Housing - what is it?

The housing site at Cox's Green and Butts Batch where a planning application is expected, both have Affordable housing elements but there is much confusion about what "affordable" means. Affordable is rather ambiguous, but remains the established term. Try this as an explanation:

Of the 59 houses being built at Cox's Green:

18 are defined as Affordable

41 are, or shortly will be, for sale on the open market at open market prices.

This ratio of 30% Affordable is pretty standard. In the planning consent the 18 Affordable ones are split into two categories:

14 are to be for rent from a Housing Association and will never be for sale (unless the government and North Somerset Council change their policies).

4 specific houses will be for sale under a shared ownership scheme called Share to Buy South

It is very common for there to be far fewer shared ownership than rental houses, probably because there are other government initiatives that are targeted at first time buyers that can't afford market prices (eg Help to Buy). None of the Affordable houses are for sale in the normal manner of buying a house.

How does it work?

A Housing Association buys the houses defined in the planning agreement as Affordable from the developer. The rental and shared ownership schemes then differ.

The rental Affordable houses are then allocated by North Somerset Council through the Housing Association at 80% or less of the private sector market rent. Only people on the North Somerset Housing List can apply to rent an Affordable house. To get on that list applicants need to use NSC's Home Choice system on the NSC website and pass an eligibility test. The test is set out in a 35 page "Lettings and Assessment Policy" and gives priority to those who:

have a connection with North Somerset - live or work here, or

come from a priority group eg homeless, armed forces

and have children who are currently in overcrowded accommodation.

Applicants with savings and income of over £30-40,000 (total of annual income and savings) are excluded from the rental scheme. When the tenant decides to leave the property it is put back into the pot for reallocation.

For the shared ownership scheme the main eligibility criteria are having a "connection to North Somerset", being a first time buyer and having annual income below a limit (higher than the rental limit). These houses are secured on a first come first served basis once they are advertised on the Share to Buy South website. In simple terms one can purchase an initial maximum equity of 40% of open market value, so the amount payable is a deposit, mortgage on up to 40% of equity plus a rent of 1% per annum of the element of equity not held.

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Most importantly ,with all Affordable houses, those with connections to the locality (ie Wrington) get no greater priority than those from other parts of North Somerset.

The council does, under its policy CS17 in certain circumstances, give priority to those with connections to the locality (such as Wrington) and this happened in 2008 with the 17 houses on Rickyard Road. Under their policy for "Rural Exception Sites", where otherwise planning consent would not be granted, an exception can be made to build houses that are specifically for purchase or rent to local people provided there is evidence of demand. This type of scheme is quite rare and not something large house-builders do because it generates lower financial returns than the alternative.

For more info look up North Somerset's Core Strategy on the internet and go to CS16 and CS17.

Tony Harden

## Wrington Drama Club Photo Competition.

"Can you identify the wrington drama club show and the year of the show?"

The winner will receive a bottle of wine at the next club event.

The tie break is the current identity of the actor!

All entries to [wdctickets@gmail.com](mailto:wdctickets@gmail.com) The competition closes 20<sup>th</sup> September 2020. "



## Local Interest

### “SOMERSET CHORAL SOCIETY AUTUMN PROGRAMME

The Somerset Choral Society (SCS) Committee has examined the current Government Regulations regarding management and control of the Covid 19 Virus together with advice for Choirs from “Making Music” and has concluded that it is still not safe or possible to resume Communal Rehearsals or a Concert this autumn.

Consequently, the Committee have arranged a programme of Virtual Rehearsals using the Internet Platform “Zoom” that will run from this September to December.

The first rehearsal will be on Wednesday 9th September starting at 7:30pm and running until around 9:00pm; this schedule will continue at the same times each Wednesday until Wednesday 16th December excepting Wednesday 28th October (School’s Half Term). The Society AGM will be at 7:30pm on “Zoom” on Wednesday 7th October.

Somerset Choral Society invites all current and previous members to join them each Wednesday this term for this new style of rehearsing and also welcomes singers from other choirs and Choral Societies to join them to try it out. In the first instance, please contact either their chairman Ginny Waters (01934-824846) or their publicity officer Paul Ashmore (01934-843388). The term subscription remains at £43-00 (less than £4-00 per week). As there cannot be a concert this term, the choir will be using music from a choral book called “Weddings for Choirs” that contains around 40 pieces from across the choral repertoire and members are encouraged to purchase their own copies.

As it will not be possible to perform the original scheduled concert, Members are requested to contact Jill Lewis (01934-782845) or e-mail [vegi.patch@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:vegi.patch@tiscali.co.uk) to return their copies of Puccini Messe di Gloria and Durufle Requiem.”

## RNLI WINSCOMBE & DISTRICT BRANCH NEWS

Following the measures in the early stages in the Government “Easing of Lockdown”, RNLI HQ have advised Fund Raising Branches that they may undertake some low-level, permitted, outdoor collections. In addition, Covid-safe fundraising events such as garden sales can take place along with socially distanced meetings, if safe to do so. RNLI shops are now re-opening and both Burnham-on-Sea and Weston-super-Mare are now open for sales. In addition, store collections and similar activities raising funds in aid of the RNLI were able to resume from early August. Consequently, the Winscombe Branch Committee met on 10th August to investigate and plan an autumn programme. Despite the fact that the lockdown has prevented any major fundraising events since February, low-level activities have continued such that the Branch has raised around £5,000 so far this year that includes approximately £1,500 during lockdown with Gift Aid recovery to come.

The Committee are now busy investigating whether a number of local supermarkets and garden-centres will permit bucket collections at their entrances/exits on dates that were booked pre-Covid; there will be no collections in September but there is hope for collections from October to December so watch out in later editions. In addition, there are plans to organise Fish Suppers in October. This year it may not be possible to have an event at the Queen Victoria Inn at Priddy as in previous years, in which case there will be a series of “Bubble Fish Suppers” run by supporters inviting guests within their “Social Bubbles”. The Government limit of no more than 30 people at any time at a Charity Gathering prevents any large scale “Plant & Garden Jumble Sale” this autumn so, instead, the plan is to run a series of roadside table-top garden sales in several of our villages offering plants, produce and garden items with donation buckets. Please look out for these as they appear. It appears unlikely that Winscombe Thursday Market will recommence for some while so we are investigating an alternative venue, method and time to operate “Chris’s Table”. Finally, a number of potential “Virtual Fundraising Events” are being researched and more will be announced soon!

All four Somerset Lifeboat Stations remain operational and there were 18 “shouts” in July (Burnham-on-Sea – 2 Minehead – 6, Portishead – 6, W-s-M – 4). RNLI Lifeguards returned to Burnham-on-Sea Beach on 4th July and will remain until September. On Wednesday 29th July both Burnham lifeboats were called to assist the Maritime and Coastguard team to rescue a lady that was stuck in the mud in waist deep water off Brean Down Slipway with an incoming tide; two crewmen entered the water to assist and she was eventually freed and taken ashore by the Coastguard team.”

## Local Interest

### **The Wrington Vale Light Railway 1901 to 1963.**

#### **Part 3: A Railway in Popular Use**

The absence of alternative forms of transport in the early years of the 20<sup>th</sup> century meant that the WVLR was much used both for passengers in the village communities and delivery of goods and freight for local businesses.

Over 27,000 tickets were issued in total on the line in 1903 although 20 years later this figure had dropped to 13,000. Wrington was the principal station (see photo from 1908 below) and accounted for roughly half the number travelling each year. Popular excursions were to Blagdon Lake and Burrington Coombe. Round trips from Bristol to Cheddar or Wells were organised via Langford station transferring to charabanc to travel over the Mendips and then return on the Cheddar Valley Line. In 1903, 5,500 took advantage of this day out.

Coal and milk were among the two main goods carried to or from Wrington. At least 2000 tons a year of coal and coke were delivered initially to Barber Bros the local merchants. Even in 1950 three wagons daily arrived for Clement & sons. Six to eight 17-gallon milk churns left daily and animal feedstuffs arrived the other way. Organ Brothers at Beam Mill manufactured flocking for upholstery and saddling, and before they acquired their own transport, were principal users of the WVLR. Raw material would arrive and the finished product dispatched often on the passenger services. Flour arrived for W.J. Lynham bakers and grain for J.H. Walters the miller at Wrington Mill. Parcel traffic was also a lucrative income for the railway, 10,000 being shipped in 1913.

A special consignment arrived at Wrington in September 1911 to much fervour. Ten church bells arrived on a flat-bed open truck from Mears' Bell Foundry in London, six having being refurbished and four new. Luckily Wrington station had the only working crane on the line to lift them off and they were installed for a first peal on 4<sup>th</sup> November.

Having a full-size model railway on your doorstep was every boy's dream and offered much excitement. Lads would run to Iwood to meet a Wrington bound train and hop on to the footplate for a ride back to the village.

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## .....Continued from page 27 Wrington Vale Light Railway

Derek Davey tells of the day he and a friend found some lead disc-shaped cases by the line just past the station, and tried to open them by hitting with a hammer. Luckily his father advised him that this was maybe not the best idea as they were railway detonators filled with gunpowder used to warn drivers of hazards in fog!

WVLR passenger services ceased in 1931 but specials often ran. Probably the last passenger train on the line was a Railway Tour on 28<sup>th</sup> April, 1957. The picture below shows the train on the tight curve roughly at the Garstons Orchard/ Industrial Estate spot, with All Saints looming in the background.

In the final part, next time, we'll look at the closure of services first in 1931 and then to all traffic in June 1963.

### Steve Osman



# Local Clubs

## Wrington Drama Club Stagewrite

It is some time since there has been a Stage Write, and I think it is fair to say that the world is a changed place. I apologise for not writing sooner, however things have been moving behind the scenes.

### Membership and AGM

We are now overdue for a club AGM.

It is time to renew our memberships. It looks like we won't be able to have our usual Christmas extravaganza, however we are very keen to continue with as many events and smaller shows as possible. This gives us wonderful opportunities to put on a greater number of smaller events which might require less forward planning. The following events (the list is not exhaustive) will be open to members only. Membership is, however, open to all; those who have supported the club for many years and to all who are inquisitive as to what we are all about.

Please contact Janet Gent, Membership Secretary, on: [wdctickets@gmail.com](mailto:wdctickets@gmail.com)

Janet will send you an application form and give you the payment details. The membership fees have been held at last year's rates:

Single Adult: £10.00. Adult Couple: £12.00. Family £15.00.

The membership will give you exclusive access to this year's club events and photos & videos of previous shows.

All members can vote at the AGM.

The club hereby gives notice that the AGM will occur as soon after 26<sup>th</sup> September 2020 as possible. Anyone wishing to attend please contact Julie Kingcott, contact details below. Once we know the number of attendees, we can plan the time and location of the venue, the details of which will then be communicated to all those who wishing to attend and to all the existing members of the club.

Anyone intending to vote or to stand for a committee post must be a paid-up member of the club by 20<sup>th</sup> September 2020. All nominations for committee and/or Chairman, Treasurer or Secretary must be received by 24<sup>th</sup> September 2020. Nomination forms can be obtained from Julie Kingcott, email: [julie@juliekingcott.com](mailto:julie@juliekingcott.com), Tel: 07515 834200. All completed forms must be sent back to Julie by the required date.

We are now able to have gatherings of up to 30 people, so we are able to publish a provisional season of events:

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## **Absurd Person Singular. Play read Sat 29<sup>th</sup> Aug. 3.00pm**

Rebecca Bryce will be hosting a play read, at Echo's House, Brookside, in Churchwalk. of this long time Alan Ayckbourn favourite. In 3 acts, it follows the changing fortunes of three married couples. The club had much success performing the show in 2011.

## **Lockdown in Little Grimley. Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Sept, Sat 5<sup>th</sup> Sept, Sun 6<sup>th</sup> Sept**

Exciting brand-new Comedy written by David Tristram; the latest in the Little Grimley series! Written in the current Lockdown with lots of very topical references! Three performances only so don't delay in joining the club to secure your ring side seat.

"Doors" open at 6.30pm ready for 7.30pm start. Sunday performance will be doors open 5.00pm ready for 6.00pm start. Location Marshall Clements field adjacent to the recreation field in silver Street. Bring your own low back chair, picnic table and picnic. Please note that it is an adult themed show.

## **Upton Abbey. Play read Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> Oct. 3pm start.**

A farcical spoof inspired by the exploits of the nation's favourite aristocratic family. Written by our very own Duncan Tuck, come along and join in the fun! The venue is Sims Hill just off Ropers Lane. Please contact Richard Kingcott on 07767 778297 or [wdtickets@gmail.com](mailto:wdtickets@gmail.com) for more details.

## **Club Photos and Videos**

A google drive has now been set up for members. Some older photographs have been added, along with an Oliver video. These will only be accessible to members.

We hope to add more photos and add more videos of previous shows.

Also please send us your photos too, with your permission we can add them in for all to enjoy.

Please feel free to comment and provide information for the photos. Please send any comments to Richard Kingcott 07767 778297 or email; [wdtickets@gmail.com](mailto:wdtickets@gmail.com)

## **Stories and Anecdotes from Club members and audience goer's past and present!**

Active member and former chairman of the club, Mark Bullen has offered to edit a series of 40 stories and anecdotes based on peoples involvement with the drama club shows and events over the past 39 and a bit years, ready to publish to celebrate our 40<sup>th</sup> birthday as a club next year.

Please get in touch if you have something to share;

**Contact Richard Kingcott on 07767 778297 or by email: [wdtickets@gmail.com](mailto:wdtickets@gmail.com)**

## Wrington Community Minibus

We are still unable to run any minibus trips for the foreseeable future due to the current Coronavirus restrictions.

However, plans are being made so that once restrictions are lifted the minibus will be back on the road. In order to communicate minibus journeys to potential users, please ask to be notified of future trips by calling the usual booking number 07895 418560 or by email to Janet at [walters.n@sky.com](mailto:walters.n@sky.com)

Once we have scheduled some trips posters will also be placed in the usual spots and information will be posted on Wrington Matters 2020.

## Comments

I have been asked to make a correction to an article in last months' Journal concerning retirements from Wrington School staff.

"Mrs J Hart, who was a teaching assistant, is the only one to have retired.

Mme Annabel Scott is not retiring she is leaving the school because she is moving hundreds of miles away!

I am not retiring, I am leaving the school to become a supply teacher.

Thank you for all that you do in editing the journal, it is a great read which I have enjoyed for 30 years.

Many thanks

**Mrs S Webb**

Editor—My apologies for any embarrassment caused.

**No Dates for your Diary  
this month due to the  
Lockdown.**

**Most, if not all events have  
been cancelled.**

**Please check with organisers  
for any events mentioned in  
the Journal**