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EDITORIAL

Thank you so much to everyone who took the time to pass on comments about our first new-look newsletter. The feedback has been overwhelmingly positive and it's really good to know that we have produced something that so many of you are interested in. This month there are more new pages to read but we are always looking for items of interest from you, our readers, so do please keep your articles and pictures coming, send them to zmon.news@gmail.com

The key contacts are shown below, along with our publishing guidelines and photograph policy. If you are writing an article it would be really helpful if you could keep it to one side of A5 – that's the size of a page in the newsletter.

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This month's Editorial ends with a picture of our committee celebrating the completion of the first issue; sadly Andrew Chandler couldn't make it that day and missed out on the Prosecco and cake.



*Pictured: Tony Brealy, Tina Bowyer, Jackie Watson,
Mike Russell, Jan Summers, Ken Hogg.*

DEADLINE FOR AUGUST ISSUE - 1 JULY

ON THE HEDGE OF FARMING

Some of you may not know me: I am Ken Down and I have lived in the village all my life and farmed for over 40 years at Thorne Farm, where a milking herd of Friesian cows and young stock were kept. I am now retired with a keen interest in the challenges that farming is experiencing.

Here we are, half the year gone, with vegetables, flowers and farm crops looking good, seeds planted in ideal conditions and the rain in early May, just what the doctor ordered. All looks encouraging for the Village Hall flower and produce show on August 17.

In February, I was one of 1400 farmers and landowners to take part in the 2019 Big Farmland bird count. This was started 5 years ago as a simple means of measuring the effect of work on habitats and crops specifically sown to provide seeds for birds throughout the winter.

Here in Zeal Monachorum on a cold dull day I ventured out in my thermal undies protected by several layers with binoculars, notebook and pencil in hand, having no experience of bird spotting. I kept walking, partly to keep warm, but also thinking they might introduce themselves to me, so at my first attempt I failed to fill any lines on my note paper.

After a little counter plan the day after, success! The secret was to sit or stand quietly and in the allotted 30 minutes, I saw 66 birds of nine species: starling, 35; house sparrow, 9; blackbird, 6; wood pigeon 5; jackdaw, 3; crow, 3; magpie, 2; blue tit, 2; song thrush, 1.

We have seen, here in Zeal, 4 species that are on the red list (birds in decline): song thrush, house sparrow, starling and yellowhammer.

The count, organised by the Game and Wildlife Conservation Trust, is to help demonstrate the impact of environmental work by farmers, landowners and gamekeepers to help reverse the decline in some farmland birds. A few days later, we had the largest murmuration (flock) of Starlings pitch in the meadow next to the farmyard that I have seen in many years. (See picture next page).

Since the day of the official count I have seen yellow hammers, jays, great spotted woodpecker, nuthatch, sparrow hawk, buzzard, snipe and woodcock. It is pleasing to see threatened species on our farm where the hedges are managed to expand habitat for small birds. More recently a cock pheasant and two hens seem to have taken residence. The cock bird wanders around the garden sometimes (it's OK, I haven't got a gun), so maybe there will be some extra game birds next year.

Enjoy the remainder of the summer and keep watching and listening.

Editors Note: see another bird story on Page 24



FARMING NEWS

May has been a very busy month for us. We were fortunate to have some good dry weather to cut our grass for silage in mid May and our maize has all now germinated evenly, but as I write this at the end of May, we really need more rain.

Jo and I were invited to attend the awards ceremony at the Devon County Show, where many business and individuals were represented for various honours. Jo was honoured to collect Best Woman in Agriculture, for the work she does for the Farming Community Network.

We go to Birmingham at the end of June as we have been part of a group reducing the use of antibiotics in dairy farming and have been nominated for an award. This means we no longer use critically important new generation antibiotics which need to be kept for human use, to avoid resistance occurring. It has been a two year project with Bristol University and has been very interesting research to be part of.

Back on the farm we are busy catching up with maintenance jobs alongside the milking and looking after the younger stock. The next big event on our calendar is our routine TB test for early July. We will be hoping and praying that we have a clear result with no animals reacting to the skin test. A clear test is so important for us to be able to sell our stock as needed.

Will Jones



ST PETER'S CHURCH NEWS

May has been a quiet month in the Church: with 2 bank holidays we only managed 2 services. For June we will be holding the normal 3, with the last Sunday in the month being our Petronial Festival. This follows the Church fete on Saturday **29 June, at 2pm**. Please do come and support us, it will be a fun afternoon with our usual delicious teas, games for the children, various stalls and lots more besides. All offers of help are gratefully received and donations to any of the stalls are welcome. The afternoon culminates in our grand raffle.

You may have noticed that we have had a lot of work done recently to the churchyard: the yew trees have been given a good pruning, the wall is being repaired and the gate has been widened (thank you, Geoff Burrow, for arranging this). Alan Hollingsworth is keeping the place tidy and everything is looking much better. What you cannot see is the work inside; our bell ringers have recently had all the ropes replaced. This is a necessary operation every 20 years or so to ensure they are safe. We have also had the organ repaired and returned as well as a new vestry door.

All this has severely depleted our funds, so we need to have some serious fund-raising this year. If you have any ideas for this the PCC would welcome them. So far we are thinking of a pet service and Pimms and hymns, but other suggestions would be gratefully received. We have a PCC meeting on June 19th when we can discuss ideas.

Welcome to Lennon, Ophelia and Brody Chandler who have now taken over delivering the newsletter along Eastern Road.

For newcomers to the village, (and the not so new) please feel free to come along to the Church. You may have questions such as how do I get more involved, how do I join the Church Electoral Roll and who do I speak to about planned giving? Please feel free to contact one of the Church wardens (Mike Bostock or Becky Harvey), the treasurer (Sue Bostock) or any member of the PCC. There is a very comprehensive book about the church just inside the door. Our Church is always open so feel free to visit any time.

Have a peaceful and fun month. See you all at the fete.

Susie

FLOWER ROTA FOR JULY

June 2 & 9: Lyn Warren; June 16 & 23: Marian Quick;

June 30 & July 7: Margaret Down

Services at St Peter's in July

7 July	10.00am	Morning Prayer	Worship Group
Trinity 3	O/T reading	Isaiah 66: 10-14	Lynn Warren
Proper 9	N/T reading	Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20	Tony Brealy
		Sidesmen Welcome	
		Offertory	Marion Quick

14 July	6.30pm	Common Worship	Preb. Anthony Geering
Trinity 4	O/T reading	Deuteronomy 30: 9-14	Colin Crothers
Proper 10	N/T reading	Colossians 1: 1-4	Susan Bostock
	Gospel	Luke 10: 25-37	Preb. Anthony Geering
		Sidesmen Welcome	
		Offertory	Tony Brealy

21 July	No Service
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28 July	11.00am	MCE Colebrooke CW	Rev Lindsey Starrs
Trinity 6			

4 August	10.00am	Morning Prayer	Worship Group
Trinity 7	O/T reading	Ecclesiastes 1:2;12-14;2:18 -23	Lynn Warren
	N/T reading	Luke 12: 13 -21	Tony Brealy
		Sidesmen Welcome	
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VILLAGE HALL NEWS

Our next market is on Saturday **13 July** and this will be the last one until September, so do come along and stock up on all the usual goodies.

The Boules Court on the Eastern end of the hall has now been resurfaced with a sandy grit that is much more suitable for a game of boules. Our thanks for arranging and completing the work go to David Bowyer and Martyn Down, well done to both of them. It made a big difference when the WI held their very enjoyable Boules and Barbecue evening on 1 June.

If you fancy a game of boules during the summer do feel free to come along and play. We just ask you to ensure that, when you have finished your game, you replace the netting on the pitch, it's there to keep the cats off.

CREDITON FOODBANK COLLECTION - URGENT APPEAL

Thank you for the donations given at the village market and those brought to my home, all so very much appreciated. Poverty is escalating in this area and our support is needed all the more; this year so far a total of 561 food parcels have been issued by the Foodbank; a 139% increase on last year. This URGENT appeal comes from the foodbank coordinator.

Last week there were at least two clients who were without electricity, they could not accept fresh or frozen food because they could not use their fridges. We were without electricity for just a few hours on 28th May, can you imagine what it must be like not to have it at all?

I was in the foodbank recently and though they'd had a delivery the shelves were still bare, and those that were full would be empty by the following week. They are desperate for the following items - tinned vegetables including peas, green beans, plus all toiletries. Money, if you can spare it, is always welcome; it allows the volunteers to go out and buy what they do not have. Please help if you can. Thank you from Christians Working Together

Lois Hamilton

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GARDENING NOTES

‘If the first of July be rainy weather, it will rain, more or less, for four weeks together’. John Ray 1627 – 1705

Hi to all gardeners,

With July comes a glorious fortnight of tennis at Wimbledon and our thoughts will turn to strawberries. In the garden they should be ripening well if you are protecting them from the birds and spreading straw or weed suppressant membrane under them to prevent rotting against the soil. Strawberries need plenty of water when they are fruiting, and while you are watering them and your ever-thirsty sweet peas, don't forget to leave fresh water available for the wildlife in your garden, especially at ground level for the hedgehogs.



Tomatoes will continue to require regular watering and feeding in the greenhouse, with shading and ventilating during very hot spells. If they are in pots outside and it is hot they could be moved into a sheltered spot with some shade to prevent them drying out too quickly.

Treat red and greenfly as soon as you find it and watch for slugs around dahlias and other tender annuals. Slugs and snails can be controlled by pellets but these are being withdrawn from the market by Spring 2020 because of the chemicals they contain. There are several other known natural remedies including Vaseline round the edge of pots, mounds of coffee grounds, grit or eggshells around the base of plants. The newer, eco – friendly wool pellets seem to work well, too. Basically, anything that hinders a slug's progress into your pot to find the plant will help.

Perhaps you have an old family way of controlling pests in your garden that you could share with us next month?

All Wisterias will now have finished and it is time to shorten long, whippy, current season growth to just five or six leaves to control the overall size of the plant and to promote more flowers for next year. Roses also need regular dead heading and, of course, sweet peas are known for producing more flowers the more you pick.

Salad leaves grown under cover will quickly germinate and sprout and if you plant a few every 3 weeks you will have a continuous supply for the summer. Now is also the time to think ahead to winter and start off some cabbage seeds in the greenhouse or cold frame and to plant some kale for winter cropping.

Enjoy your garden this month.

Here are the rainfall figures for the last three months:-

March: 112mm; April: 71mm; May: 47mm



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ZEAL ARCHIVE

After last month's archive photo of Tea Helpers at a Ringing Festival I have been asked to give some history of the church rooms. The following is from my collection of reminiscences and other sources. Of course, as always, if anyone knows more I'd love to know.

The Church Hall stood in what is now the car park until it was demolished in 1958.

JHF Ley esq presented 3 cottages to the parish in 1913, which have been reconstructed and converted into a church room. ***Kelly's Directory 1919***

When North Star Inn burnt down in 1928 the Church Room was used as a public house while it was being repaired. ***Tony Brealy***

I remember living at Forda Cottage and then at 1 Hillside, which my Father renovated, and continued as a stone mason in and around the village. I can remember him trying to tie down the roof of the old Church Room, when it blew off in a storm. ***Muriel Greenslade 1919-2009 Teacher***

When evacuees came to the village during World War II, the London schoolmaster who accompanied the evacuees was 'troublesome' expecting to 'take over' at the school. The Head Teacher had other ideas and finally the London teacher was 'housed' in the Church Room. ***Reverend EH Smith***

Meetings: parish council, church council or committee – were always lengthy affairs, and members always looked forward to them. We would meet in the Church Room, round a large fire of wood. ***Barbara Bayliss (daughter of Reverend EH Smith)***

Dances and whist drives frequently took place in the old Church Room, made more exciting by a search light battery stationed near by! ***Norman Vicary 1928-2010***

What is now the Church car park was the Church Room. I can remember going there for a shilling hop on a Saturday night. The only music was from Mr Honeychurch of Bow with his concertina. The Church Room had a tin roof and if there was a hailstorm the noise drowned out the music. ***Queenie Cockwill 1915 -2004.***

PARISH COUNCIL

We had hoped to include Parish Council news in this issue but the person given the task of reporting went on holiday before he could complete it, and we went to print during his absence. A copy of the annual report will be included in next month's issue, but in the meantime we include here details of our Parish Councillors:

Clerk: Christopher Voaden, email clerk@zeal-monachorum.co.uk

Chairman: Mike Bostock, Vice-Chairman: Andrew Chandler

Councillors: Mark Burrow, Ken Down, Ken Hogg, Rob Peck



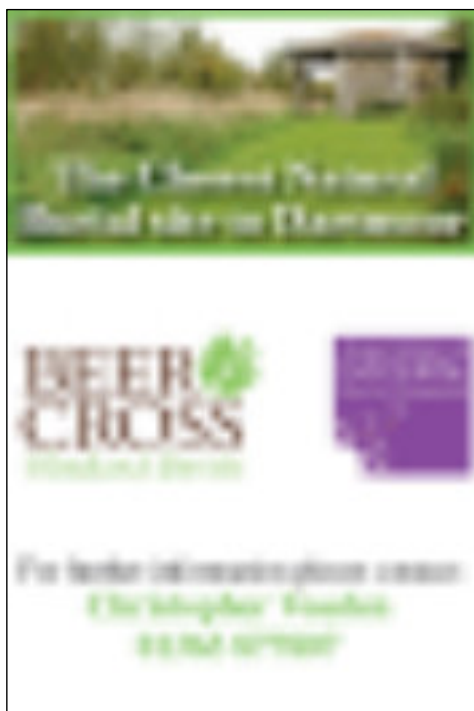
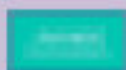
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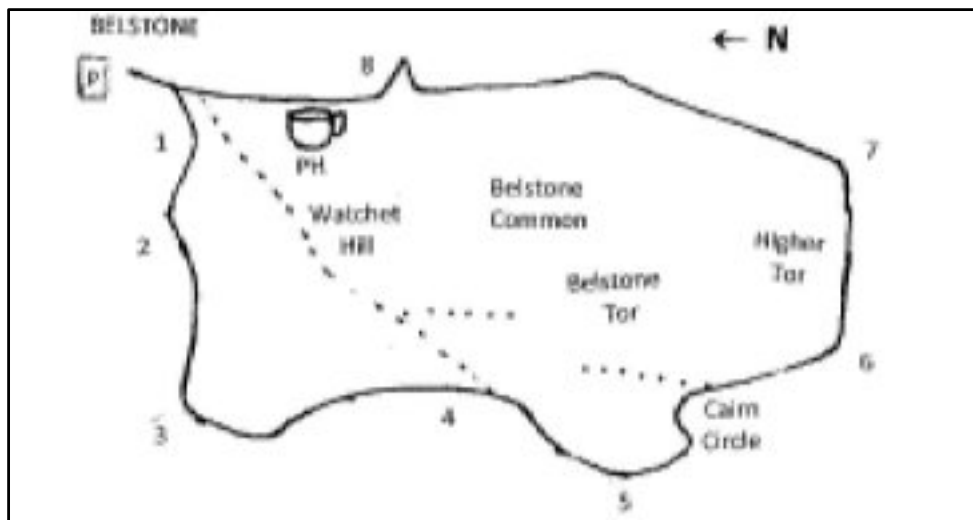
This walk takes 2 ½ to 3 hours covering a distance of 7.7km/4 ½ miles; there are some slight hills to climb but you will be rewarded with superb views.

There is a simple map on the next page but it would be a good idea to have OS Explorer Map OL28 with you. You will also need a compass, good walking boots and a waterproof jacket.

The walk starts at Belstone village hall (Grid Ref SX 621 938).

1. Leaving the hall, turn left/south and walk for 400m through the village keeping the Jubilee stone on your left to No1 (GR SX 619 936) by phone box.
2. Take the road on your right for 360m to No 2 (GR SX 616 938). Turn left onto the bridlepath and walk for 600m passing through 4 gates to No 3 (GR SX 611 937), you should be on the moorside of this gate.
3. Follow the wall on your left for 100m then turn left and walk on a well defined path for 1km, it will slowly become more difficult to find but will take you to the main path at No 4 (GR SX 611 927).
4. At this point if you do not want to walk any further onto the moor turn left and follow path back to the village. For those wanting to carry on, turn right onto path and walk for 70m to No 5 (GR SX 607 922)
5. Take the left hand fork and walk for 415m staying on the well defined path which will twist and turn before a steep climb passing Winter Tor on your right to No 6 (GR SX 611 915).
6. Turn left/east onto a path and walk for approx 75m, this path at times maybe hard to see but as long as you keep going in an easterly direction and then start to go downhill you will come to a well made track No 7 (GR SX 617 914)
7. Turn left/North and walk for 1.7km to the gate off the moor No 8 (GR SX 620 930). The road back to the village passes the pub (perhaps you'd like a well-earned pint?) or you can visit the tea room for a tea and cake experience. The road to the car park is the same one as at the start of walk.

EDITOR'S NOTE If you have a favourite walk around Devon and would like to include it in our newsletter please contact the Editor with details.



ZEAL EXPLORERS



This month a group of seven of us set off along Western Road, past Baron's Wood on a circular walk past Great Foldhay, where we encountered some temporary fences across the footpath. Having successfully negotiated these we returned to the village across the fields via East Foldhay and Gissage Hill. Another enjoyable walk in lovely weather. The hardy walkers pictured above are:

Teal the dog, Sally, Ali, Jackie, Judi, Joss and Karen, *picture by Jane Hogg*

FARMING COMMUNITY NETWORK

I have been asked to write about the farming charity I work for which is called The Farming Community Network (FCN). FCN supports the farming community, from BSE to bereavement, foot and mouth to family disputes, TB to tenancy issues, retirement to relationship problems, passports to BPS payments, illness to isolation; we offer support and signposting, whatever the issue. We are a Christian charity set up over 20 years ago, to help those of any faith or none. Our support is free and confidential, and you can contact our helpline every day of the year from 7 am to 11 pm.

In Devon, each year, we have around 100 new cases and are involved in over 100 ongoing cases. Our team of nearly 30 volunteers help for as long as needed from visiting, signposting and befriending. Nationally, we help over 6,000 each year and our volunteers travel over 130,000 miles.

Over one third of our cases involve an aspect of mental health and this continues to be one of our focus areas, encouraging people to talk about how they are really feeling. Along with some Devon YFC members, we have been trained to deliver mental health awareness sessions. Our aim is to visit every club in Devon in the next 12 months, so the next generation is equipped with skills to help themselves and others. On average, one farmer in the UK dies by suicide every week and this needs to be addressed; it can only be achieved by a willingness to talk. Farmers are very resilient and adaptable, but not all have family or friends around them to offer support and that is where we can help.

Another growing area of concern for the farming community is dementia and we continue to work with researchers at Plymouth University to understand what help is required and what we can do to help. We expect the next few years to see an increase in calls for help, especially with Brexit and whatever replaces the current environment schemes. Throw in some challenging weather, red tape, concerns over methane and vegan activists and it can all take its toll. FCN will continue to support farmers in need and, at a National level, inform those making policies, how these affect farmers. Devon is the busiest County within FCN and it costs around £20,000 a year to fund our work in the County.

Over the coming months, I will let you know more about our local work in Devon. You can find us at most of the local farming shows, including Devon County Show. You can find out more about our work by visiting our website: www.fcn.org.uk Our helpline number is: 03000 111 999. You can contact the Devon team on:

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We have been chosen as the charity for the Eggesford Country Show on 16th June at North Tawton. Our next church event is our Lammis Service (A service of thanksgiving for the first fruits of the harvest) which is being held at Modbury on Sunday 4th August. Please do get in touch if you would like any more information.

Jo Jones



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ZEAL MONACHORUM WI

In small rural communities like ours the WI plays a vital role in providing a support and social network and we believe that there is something for everyone in what we do. Listed below are some of the activities we've been up to this year so far . . .

- In May our speaker was Rachel Dunn, who makes hats and fascinators in many beautiful colours. Some of these are pictured below, being modelled by Jackie, Judi, Ruth, Jan S, Jan B and Karen. In June our speaker was Dianne Shepherd on "Use it or Lose it! Yoga, Tai chi and Me"
- The lunch group visited Devonshire Dumpling in April and RHS Rosemoor in May, gorgeous weather, great food and good shopping!
- Ten members of our WI skittle team went to the annual dinner in Morchard Bishop attended by 82 ladies; we came fourth this year.
- On June 1 we held a fund-raising event, a very enjoyable BBQ & Boules evening open to everyone, where we raised £240 for WI funds.

Our next meeting is on July 3 when we visit Homeleigh Garden Centre to hear how their plans for the enlargement of the nursery are progressing; on previous visits we have been offered discounted garden shopping. Please note, ladies, you do not have to be invited to join the WI, just come along and see if you like it. Visitors are charged just £1, and will be made most welcome.



Let's get crafty!

Now we have our newly designed Newsletter we are going to start a regular Arts and Crafts column to spotlight local arts and crafts.

We hope to offer seasonal tips, share skills, showcase your work, and get to see more exhibits around the community.

If you are interested in featuring any of your work, or have any suggestions on what you would like to see please email: karenhunt1962@outlook.com

If you produce or are interested in any of the following Arts and Crafts, we would love to hear from you:

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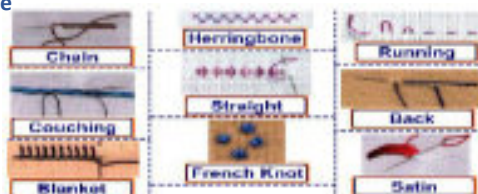


Fabric needle case recycling scraps of fabric

One of the first things I made on my fashion course many years ago was a fabric needle case. I saw it in a magazine and decided to adapt it using recycled bits of leftover fabrics. I wanted something decorative to keep all my sewing essentials in, and it was easy to make. Many years later I encouraged my students to make one for themselves, which they all enjoyed doing and ended up with fabulous results. Some made a roll version inspired by their research of other products. Felt scraps are useful for making pages soft, but any fabric can be used. If fabric is very lightweight it can be stiffened with interfacing or other layers of fabric. It can be machine or stitched by hand. Some useful hand stitching techniques are shown at the bottom of the page.

If you would like further information on how to make a fabric needle case, please email:

karenhunt1962@outlook.com



QUIZ

1. In which UK Garden City was the first roundabout built in 1966?
2. Which member of the Royal Family is the father of James Viscount Severn?
3. When referring to cars, what does SUV mean?
4. Who features on the new 2019 £2 coin?
5. For which constituency was Tony Blair MP from 1983 – 2007?
6. What is the name of the small hammer used by an auctioneer?
7. In Saint-Saen's Carnival of the Animals, which instrument portrays the swan?
8. Which team came second in the 2018-2019 Premier League Season?
9. Trinidad lies nearest to which South American country?
10. What is the opposite of evergreen?
11. In which Shakespearean play does Joan of Arc appear?
12. What is the name for a pale green colour derived from 'water of the Nile'?
13. What type of loaf shares its name with a male swan?
14. In which situation would the D'Hondt Divisor be used?
15. The UEFA Champions League title anthem is adapted from which piece of music?

Minute Quiz

Can you think of words that begin and end with the same letter for:

- an urgent request
- a guess or feeling
- a French emperor
- a tree

Here are the answers for June's quiz questions. How did you get on?

1. Scotland and Wales rugby team
2. They were cousins
3. Igor Stravinsky 1913
4. France
5. A Therm
6. Nancy Astor
7. The unicorn
8. to Ad Lib
9. A 6 pointed geometric star
10. Green
11. Margot and Jerry Leadbetter
12. The Limpopo River
13. Johannes Vermeer c.1665
14. An apostrophe
15. The primrose – Primula Vulgaris

And the Palindromes were Kayak, Minim and Naan.

FISHING CLUB

Hi All. The lake is fishing well with high water levels, even though we have had a lack of rain recently. The oxygen levels are satisfactory because the fish being caught are in top class condition. At the moment we are overrun with fry and next month we will need to trawl the lake to remove the excess. These will be sent on to other angling clubs to stock new waters. After a recent work party session, my colleague and I stayed on to do some fishing. We had a really enjoyable afternoon and would have stayed longer, but had other commitments. We landed a great mixed bag of fish including common carp up to 6lb, crucian carp to 1 1/2lb, silver bream to 2lb and some excellent roach and rudd. We were fishing with just bread paste. Our goslings are doing well, even though we lost two the remaining four are looking very healthy. We are always looking for new junior members, just give us a ring on 07749329832 or 01363 82400.

Lastly, we have recently put up some new signs - "dogs on leads" and "deep water". These signs have to be installed to comply with the lake insurance. One of the most important signs is an informative one requesting the disinfecting of all nets to prevent the spread of aquatic diseases. This can be found adjacent to the large black bin near the lake entrance. Tight lines.

Ken and Jane



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Hello, this is Bow Community Primary School, giving some news and updates from the school.

Above is a recent photo of our young people who performed at The Great Hall, Exeter, just before Easter. All of the local primary schools (who are part of the Crediton Learning Community) took part in what has become an annual event. Schools get together in the autumn term and decide on a theme for music /dance or music and dance and then work towards a performance date.

Lots of our pupils were very excited, some had taken part previously, but for most of them, this was their first time. An extraordinary evening of entertainment was provided by all of the schools, including QE, with children who were either awaiting their turn, or who had already performed, supporting those pupils still on stage. We sang some traditional African songs, with an accompaniment being provided by children on the Djembe drums, we then moved on to singing 'The Circle of Life' from the Lion King.

The children had a long and tiring day but behaved impeccably from the start to the finish. They performed extremely well, and I know that I was very proud of each person. A huge thank you has to be given to Mr McCaffley, who helped children with all their rehearsals as well as giving them the confidence to perform. Well done everyone, a wonderful and memorable performance.



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Thank you all for taking the time to read this. My name is Darren Chandler and I've decided to come out of retirement for one last run, from Zeal Monachorum to Budleigh Salterton on the south Devon coast, on Saturday, 6th July.

Many of you know I like to raise money for charity when possible. I was planning to do the marathon this year, but could not afford to. Then I saw a headline in the newspapers about the crisis in Yemen, which got to me. There and then I decided the Yemeni children needed help, giving them hope for their future in the midst of war torn surroundings.

The distance I'll run is 32 miles, from my house here in Zeal to the coast at Budleigh. 32 is the number that need help: in Yemen nearly 23 million are destitute and a further 9 million are on the brink of starvation, all of them children.

I need your help to give them a future. You have helped before, you've raised £10,000 for my charity projects in the past. One last time is all I ask, for the kids.

Please give.

The website for donations is: www.justgiving.com/fundraising/darren.chandler23.

Love you all xxxx

Darren

A GARDEN VISITOR



This male blackbird has been visiting gardens since March and from the start was very bold. Now, as soon as we appear in the garden, he flies down expecting us to turn soil over to expose the worms. He comes so close that one worries he'll be hit by the fork. The number of worms he can fit in his beak is astounding.

Erica Eden

AT A GLANCE - Village events in July

Every Weds	Coffee Morning, 10.30 - 12 noon in Village Hall
Wed 3 July	Whist Drive, 2pm at the Waie Inn
Wed 3 July	WI, visit to Homeleigh Garden Centre
Sat 6 July	Darren's Charity run for Save the Children, see Page 24
Wed 10 July	Charity lunch at the Waie Inn, contact Jean 01363 82348
Fri 12 July	Mobile library - see details below
Sat 13 July	Village Market, 10 - 11.30am
Mon 15 July	Zeal Explorers, 2pm at bus stop
Wed 17 July	Whist Drive, 2pm at the Waie Inn
Tues 23 July	Outing to Longleat, leave the Waie Inn at 9am, contact Jean 01363 82348

MOBILE LIBRARY

Stopping at: the LAYBY NEAR OLD SHOP 13.05 - 13.25 and
WAIE CROSS 13.30 - 13.50

The calendar of visits we were given at the end of last year only listed dates till June 2019 because the service was under review, but we hear whispers that the mobile library service has been reprieved for now. It seems likely that the two stops we currently receive [because of our steep hill] may be reduced to one stop. Nonetheless, we hope that people will continue to use it and that more people will join - it's easy to just turn up and borrow immediately, don't worry if you miss a visit, there are no penalties to pay if the books are returned late. Libraries and reading are a wonderful civilising aspect of our society.

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(details on our Facebook page)

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Monday evenings from 8-9pm.

Walking Netball:

Thursday evenings 6-7pm

Weekly on Tuesday evenings there is an
open Water Aerobics session in the
swimming pool from 7.30-8.15pm.



FOR SALE & WANTED

This is a space where villagers can let readers know about things they would like to source or dispose of. We intend to follow the **‘Reduce, Reuse, Recycle’** policy and help each other at the same time.

Notices will be placed at the Editor’s discretion - it’s not a space for advertisers to sell their wares. Here are our first two notices:-

- Sally would like to source an old table, bookcase or set of steps to create a display space for geraniums in her garden. Contact Sally on 82531
- Tina has a heavy duty electric mincer for meat both raw and cooked; in fact it minces anything in super speed time. It also makes sausages. Used about half a dozen times. It is free to anyone in return for a donation to cancer research. Contact Tina on 82423

If you have any similar notices, including small photos, please send them to the Editor at zmon.news@gmail.com

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