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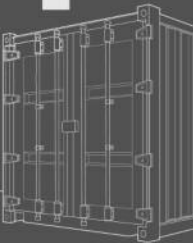
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A LETTER FROM REV RONA

Dementia-friendly Services – Re Member

In May the UK recognised Dementia Awareness week. You may have seen adverts or programmes relating to it.

As an Inclusive Church, something which has been voted on by our PCCs, the needs and care of every single person is our paramount concern. Somerset is statistically the county with the oldest population in the UK, and this is certainly something we experience in Church attendance.



I understand there are local groups and events to help those living with some form of Dementia, and those caring for them, and my intention is to meet them and discuss how we can join in. Our unique opportunity though, is to offer time and space for reflection and worship. Both of which enable everyone in our community to **remember** what it means to be a member. A member of a community, a congregation, a family, a group.

My plan is to introduce a short, simple, and profound service including hymns which everyone knows, other music, a short reflection and time of engaging with God's word in the Bible through creative means, enjoying refreshments and sharing simple prayers. Initially these services will be once a quarter and will take the place of the Holy Communion service at St John's. If they are popular then we will increase them to a monthly offering.

As memory is the key issue with Dementia and Alzheimer's sufferers, I have decided to call these services Re Member. What that means is that we can spend a focused, intentional, gentle, reflective time together as

members of a community – and hopefully revive and restore those feelings of belonging.

Whether or not you have someone in your family or friendship group with memory problems, I urge you to come along and share some time with your community in Milborne Port. Jesus said that whenever we do things for 'the least of these' we do them for him. So even if you aren't a regular Church goer, you would be most welcome as we come together to remind each other of the importance of being a community, sharing our community and belonging.

*With very best wishes,
Rev Rona*

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

BAPTISMS

6th July Mica-Mae Appleyard Charlton Horethorne
21st July Devan Thomas Hughes and Rory-Lee David Franklin Hughes
28th July George William Siggins

WEDDING

20th July Justine Radnedge and Dominic Moger Charlton Horethorne

FUNERALS

25th June Dorothy Hallett
28th June Mary Sylvia Edmonds



Special Announcement

In the Church of England, it is customary for all stipendiary clergy to be invited to take a three-month sabbatical every decade.

As Rona is well overdue that, the Bishop has recommended that she takes hers sooner rather than later, and particularly before the busyness of Christmas descends.

Therefore, she will be taking 1st September until the 30th November 2024 as a sabbatical time for rest, refreshment and reflection. There is also a project element of the sabbatical, and Rona will be exploring issues around Spirituality.

Although she will be based mainly in the Rectory, she will not be involved in any parish work during this time. Please direct any queries or emails to one of the Churchwardens, or the Parish Administrator.

Many thanks for your support and understanding during this season.



RIP Eric Forrest

Eric Forrest died peacefully at La Fontana nursing home on 7 July 2024 aged 93. About twenty years ago he and Barrie made their home in Milborne Port where he continued to live after Barrie's death. Eric was actively involved in the local

community and activities which included Table Tennis and Art; he also ran the Music Appreciation group with the U3A.

Paul Forrest

CHURCH HOUSE 100 CLUB

Results of the July Draw

1 st Prize	£30	Anon (No. 95)
2 nd Prize	£20	Mrs N Henson
3 rd Prize	£10	Mr P Lock



Milborne Wick Cream Tea

Sunday 25th August 2pm - 4pm
Milborne Wick Church



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- Home Produce
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Congratulations to **Karin Grindrod**, who took our cover photo this month. The flower border in Gainsborough brings pleasure to so many people!

We welcome submissions of photographs of scenes in and around the village, for consideration as future covers.

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News from the Parish Council

Keeping our village in good shape

Many of you will have been aware that the Parish had a Ranger (Martin); this was an extra service that the Parish Council subscribed to and was provided by South Somerset District Council. Martin would spend one whole day per week in the Parish carrying out a list of tasks including strimming, cutting, hacking, clearing, unblocking, sweeping, trimming, planting, cleaning or even painting. He would be around the Parish every Wednesday and seemed to have every tool going in his large white van.

When South Somerset District Council ceased to be, over a year ago, there was much concern from parishes in the former South Somerset area that the important Ranger service would be lost. But those fears proved unfounded for the first year as things seemingly continued as they were. Then the big crunch came and as we are sure you're aware, things have been looking a little tricky for the new Somerset Council, who have been warning of bankruptcy. The Ranger service was one of many services reviewed and as a result Somerset Council decided that the cost of the Ranger service would have to be doubled, resulting in most of the parishes saying they would no longer buy into the service, and the whole scheme collapsed in a matter of months. Martin still works for Somerset Council; he has been reallocated to the Streetscape Team, and so sometimes he visits the parish to sweep the pavements in the centre.

A new solution

The Management Committee resolved that it was important to get an alternative solution in place as quickly as possible, and that it would be preferable to use local people to provide the service. Word was put out that the Parish Council wanted to engage local help to keep the Village looking nice.

The Chair & Vice-chair of the Management Committee worked with the Parish Clerk to re-confirm the areas that need looking after and the tasks that need to be undertaken. As a result, two local people have been engaged to look after specific areas of the parish, both working ½ a day a week each. One (Nathan) has taken on a Gardener/Groundsman role with particular focus on the Grove Garden, Ball Court, Cemetery and Springfield Road. The second (Kyle) has taken on the Highway's clearance role, but also looking after the Allotments/Gainsborough Park area.



It's early days and everyone is still settling into their roles; we are still updating our lists of areas that need attention and also writing to the private landowners to encouraging them to look after any bits of privately owned land that are overgrown and have been reported to us.

Parish Council Meetings in August

Planning and Environment Committee: Tuesday 20th.

Meetings take place in the Town Hall and start at 7 p.m.. Members of the public are welcome to attend and can address the meeting with questions or comments from 7-7.15 p.m. If you would like to attend but would experience access difficulties, please let us know in advance and we will relocate to the Community Room downstairs.

Simon Pritchard – Parish Clerk clerk@milborneportpc.org.uk

Nathalie Hetherington – Deputy office@milborneportpc.org.uk

Find us on Facebook! Search: Milborne Port Community Council

Parish Council Website: www.milborneportpc.org.uk

Community Plan for Milborne Port – Have your say!

Many thanks to those residents who completed the survey in June, the results of which will determine the focus of the questions for the Community Survey that will take place in the Autumn. The Steering Group is currently working with the Community Council for Somerset on designing the questions around the areas that are priorities for those who completed the initial survey: Local Environment; Community Facilities & Services; Traffic, Travel & Transport; Children & Young People; Housing.

The main Community Survey will be live online between 2nd and 23rd September 2024. Please make it one of your plans for September to complete the survey and take this important opportunity to feed your views into the Community Plan that will be produced by the CCS based on the results. We will provide more information during August and September on the Milborne Port Parish Council website and Facebook page, posters and flyers around the village, and directly to local groups, clubs, organisations and businesses.

Our MP in Parliament

At the General Election on July 4th, Sarah Dyke (Lib Dem) was returned as the MP for Glastonbury and Somerton, which includes Milborne Port. We report on her parliamentary activities, not as a party political pitch, but a record of her actions as our constituency representative.

- SD was sworn in as our MP
- SD called for an emergency Health and Care Budget to support local services
- SD tabled an Early Day Motion on Pharmacy Provision

- SD proposed that local communities who host solar farms should benefit directly from the infrastructure and welcomed the positive response of the Energy Secretary.
- SD supported a Parliamentary motion supporting the recommended payments to WASPI women.



Advance Notice – “Glovelies” Events

Friday 20th September: Macmillan Coffee Morning

10 a.m. to 12 Noon at the Town Hall

Includes Cake Sale and Raffle

15th October: Talk on Joint Replacement and Surgery by Matthew Hall, Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon at YDH.

7.30 p.m. at the Village Hall.

All Welcome

Milborne Port Football Club

After what seems only a few weeks, preparations are underway for next season. Our adult teams returned to pre-season training on July 15th, and they'll be joined in the coming weeks with our mini and youth teams.



We held two successful end of season awards events in June with lots of presentations to all the teams and celebrations of players achievements. The highlight being the youth presentation at the rec on June 23rd. A huge turnout saw all 9 teams receive trophies and enjoy a BBQ on a warm and sunny afternoon. Thanks to all those who managed to attend as well as the helpers who cooked over 200 burgers & 150 sausages to keep everyone well fed and watered, as well as Wayne Pullen for supplying the delicious food. To see the number of players and families involved in the club was such a wonderful sight.

If you, or anyone in your family would like to play, volunteer or sponsor then we'd love to hear from you. Please contact mpfcsecretary@outlook.com

#upthemilborne

Ben Tupman



ReBorne Community Church

Summer 2024 saw us take a group to Southwest youth ministries (SWYM) Christian weekend camp Spree. It was great to take 12 young people including seven from ReBorne Milborne Port Youth club, away camping and having fun at this youth event.



The camp is well organised and once in the gates everything is free, a delight to those who love the fair rides. Our group were keen to see how quickly they could be in the line, and on one occasion they managed to be first in line for FREAK OUT!!!. I managed the Twister but definitely not Freak out!!!!

Other activities included laser tag, a climbing wall, sumo wrestling, gladiator wars, loads of inflatables to bounce around on, axe throwing and archery. There was also some lovely craft work completed including candle making.

The young people attended some sessions in age-appropriate groups where they heard some life changing stories from visiting speakers.

The young people coped really well with late nights and early mornings, and it was a pleasure to have such well-behaved young people with us. Everyone agreed it was a great successful weekend. I think they might say the highlight was the free fair rides!! I wouldn't like to guess the number of times they were on them. For me what was great to hear was that they said they would be back next year. Maybe we can take even more from ReBorne youth and Kids club in 2025. I hope so. Date for the diary June 27-29th 2025. Want more info visit <https://swym.org.uk/spree-2025/>



Blessings from Yvonne Bright

Bishop Michael Rocks Glastonbury!

We are so proud of the amazing job Bishop Michael did by standing up in front of the Pyramid Stage crowd at Glastonbury. Proud and rather in awe! It must have been terrifying. If you are not someone who was in the crowd waiting for Shania Twain or Coldplay, then do read these inspiring words:

"It's brilliant to be able to welcome you to God's own county of Somerset. We're so glad you're here at the festival and I hope you're having a wonderful time. Normally this place is full of cows. But during this festival weekend, the number of people here is about 20 times the population of my entire city.

This leaves me feeling that I've entered into a different reality, And I wonder, wherever you've come from, if that's your experience of Glastonbury too? And by this I don't just mean how you feel about the state of the loos! But rather of what it's meant to you on being here to live life to a different beat, to experience a time of different priorities, to live in a reality that's very different to everyday existence.

For me, that is what faith is all about. Of seeing the world from a different perspective.

I wonder how you're seeing things during this time that you've stepped out of everyday life into the very different reality that is Glastonbury? What is being said to you about what you value most? The kind of world you want to live in? The life you'd like to live?

For me, as someone who tries, not always successfully, to follow Jesus Christ, I hope that the perspective I have on these things is shaped by his life, his love for this extraordinary planet that we've been given to live upon. In Jesus, I encounter someone who had 20:20 vision. He was able to see what was most important, to live it, and act upon it. Or as Jesus put it, to know life in all its fullness.

If you've not encountered Jesus's life, might you like to find out more? I invite you to discover in him a different reality altogether."

CHURCH SERVICES

(including the Principal Service Readings)

Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel at St John's: Weekdays at 9 a.m.

Sunday 4th August

10th Sunday after Trinity

Ephesians 4:1-16, John 6:24-35

9:00 a.m.	Holy Communion	Charlton Horethorne
10:30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Milborne Port
6:00 p.m.	Evensong	Stowell

Wednesday 7th August

10:30 a.m.	Midweek Communion	Milborne Port
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Sunday 11th August

11th Sunday after Trinity

Ephesians 4:25-32 & 5:1-2, John 6:35 & 6:41-51

9:00 a.m.	NO service	Goathill
10:30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Milborne Port
6:00 p.m.	Evensong	Charlton Horethorne

Wednesday 14th August

10:30 a.m.	Midweek Communion	Milborne Port
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Saturday 17th August

10:00 a.m.	Community Thanksgiving	Milborne Port
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Sunday 18th August

12th Sunday after Trinity

Ephesians 5:15-20, John 6:51-58

9:00 a.m.	Holy Communion	Milborne Wick
10:30 a.m.	Matins	Milborne Port
6:00 p.m.	Holy Communion	Charlton Horethorne

Wednesday 21st August

10:30 a.m.	Midweek Communion	Milborne Port
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Friday 23rd August

1:00 p.m.	Wedding	Milborne Port
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FOR AUGUST

Sunday 25th August

13th Sunday after Trinity

Ephesians 6:10-20, John 6:56-69

10:30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Milborne Port
6:00 p.m.	Evensong	Goathill

Wednesday 28th August

10:30 a.m.	Midweek Communion	Milborne Port
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Sunday 1st September

14th Sunday after Trinity

James 1:17-end, Mark 7:1-8 & 7:14-15 & 7:21-23

9:00 a.m.	Holy Communion	Charlton Horethorne
10:30 a.m.	Parish Communion	Milborne Port
6:00 p.m.	Evensong	Stowell

Wednesday 4th September

10:30 a.m.	Midweek Communion	Milborne Port
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St Peter's Goathill goes Eco!

On Sunday 7th July St Peter's, Goathill took the first step towards achieving an EcoChurch Bronze Award with an A Rocha UK Project. A Conservation Officer from the Dorset Wildlife Trust visited the church and provided a brief on Nature Conservation in Churchyards. The information and guidance provided will enable St Peter's to develop a management plan detailing how best to improve the biodiversity of the churchyard. We are at the start of an interesting journey that will help us gain a better understanding of nature around us. Updates on our progress will be posted in due course.



Climate-nature crisis: We are poised at a pivotal moment in UK and global history. We have all seen how scarily scarce are the birds, bees and butterflies this summer; how one extreme weather event after another is killing people and wrecking lives and crops across the world. Will our new government back the science and enact the Climate and Nature Bill to reverse the collapse in nature in this country before 2030 and fulfil our international climate commitments – the only existing or proposed legislation to do so? Or not?



By the time you read this, with luck Sarah Dyke MP or another MP who backs the Bill, may have won the Private Member's Bill Ballot. We are fortunate to be represented in parliament once more by an MP who grasps the extreme seriousness and urgency of the situation, which means you and I can help influence our future. So, email Sarah Dyke, congratulate her on her re-election, and ask her to seize every opportunity to raise the profile of the Bill, and to persuade her fellow MPs to join her in backing the Climate and Nature Bill. Just that. Remember to include your full name and address so she knows you are a constituent...

Milborne Port Climate and Nature Action group



Make Haste

Hedgerows: are vital for wildlife in our intensively-farmed landscape; please don't cut them till the autumn at the earliest and make sure to leave some of this year's growth to produce flowers and fruit next year.

One thing to Do: Don't waste this vanishingly small window of opportunity to help avert the climate-nature crisis and email our MP now **sarah.dyke.mp@parliament.uk**

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Milborne Port Gardening Club

A few days of sunshine certainly helps lift spirits and hopefully you are all enjoying snippets of brighter days and that your gardens are bringing you great joy.

As there have been many Open Gardens, Flower Shows, Country Fairs and Summer Fetes around, hopefully you have managed to stroll around and explore what has been on offer. It is always heartwarming to know there is plenty going on in our beautiful corner of the country.

A few weeks ago, our members were able to enjoy a tour around Kilver Court Gardens in Shepton Mallet. The day had not promised good weather, however, many members were prepared to take the risk and ventured out. They were led around by Chris, not only Head but sole gardener (temporarily). The gardens are impressive and though compact, have such interesting contrasts, and are set in an unlikely location with factory buildings in the background.

The next outing (and last for this year) is on Tuesday 13th August. We will have the pleasure of touring the gardens at Milborne Port's own historic Ven House. The start time is 2.15 p.m. and the cost of Tour and Tea is £15.00. Monies raised go to local charities. Members are welcome to bring guests, we just ask you to let us know numbers.

If you wish to know anything more about the Club, or to join us, please do come to any meeting or contact the Secretary (Samantha at samgraham2009@gmail.com). Membership will be £14.00 for 2024. We happily welcome guests to our meetings for a fee of £3.00.

Samantha Dean

MPO Musical Theatre is looking for Men!

Milborne Port Opera is recruiting players for its next show, "The Witches of Eastwick", a musical based on the 1987 film with Jack Nicholson, Susan Sarandon and Michelle Pfeiffer.

This ambitious production, to be performed in April 2025, will be one of the first performances to be granted an amateur licence by the production owners Music Theatre International.

The group are looking for men aged between 18 -55 for a variety of roles, mainly in the ensemble. The leading part Daryll (The Devil) has been cast, but other roles are available.

MPO is a very friendly, welcoming company which is transitioning from a traditional light opera company into a musical theatre company tackling West End and Broadway shows. It has undergone a subtle name change and is now officially **MPO Musical Theatre**.

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Rehearsals start in September and take place on Thursday evenings in Milborne Port Primary School hall. The performance is on the 23-26 April. If interested, please contact Rachel Revell on secretary@milborneportopera.co.uk to learn more.

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At our July meeting we welcomed our local Homeopathic Practitioner, Frances Pitman, who spoke about her work and showed slides of some of the plants that are used in homeopathy. She told us afterwards that it was her first talk she had given and I'm sure it won't be her last, as it was fascinating. We were pleased to see two members who hadn't been able to attend our meetings for a while but have now

rejoined. We would love to see other ladies at our meetings, whether you are new to the village or not. Please come along and see if you like us - there is no commitment to join, we just charge £5 for non-members when they attend which includes a drink.

Our next meeting is on August 8th at 7.30 p.m. when it will be a light-hearted Murder Evening (if murder can be called light-hearted!) with an Italian theme. We will be serving Italian wine and nibbles and everyone can join in and play a part. It should be a fun evening.

We will not be holding our monthly drop in sessions on a Thursday afternoon during August, as we expect many people will either be away, sitting in their gardens (hopefully) or doing other summery things. We will start again on the fourth Thursday in September.

Talking of September, we will be having our Annual MacMillan Coffee Morning on Friday 20th September when we will be selling drinks, home-made cakes and running a raffle. We will be very grateful for donations of cakes, raffle prizes and money for this very worthy cause.

I hope to see some of you at our Friday morning coffee sessions - these are proving to be very popular with the village and it's good to see everyone.

Christine Porter

Milborne Port Village Hall Market

Your Saturday morning Village Hall Market and Coffee Morning is now taking a break for the summer, returning in the Autumn for two main reasons.

1. Many folk are finally managing to harvest their own summer crops - always the best way if you can.
2. It appears sadly, that there is a lack of support for our village hall enterprise, at only £5 per stall. Our village hall is a magnificent resource which needs supporting before that too falls victim to 'Use it or Lose it' due to ever escalating running costs. It's such a shame as the facilities there are brilliant, with plenty of indoor space for all the stall holders, safe car parking, toilets, recreation ground within eyesight from inside and kitchen facilities. I feel particularly badly for the many lonely folk who came to the coffee morning with its tables conveniently placed in the middle of the hall, with the market traders around them. We as traders would sit and do puzzles with them in quiet moments and catch up generally. Another valuable community project we could lose!

If you are interested in running a stall on Saturday mornings when we return in the Autumn, please do get in touch!

As many of you know, I run Pendragonwood Fresh Fruit & Veg mobile shop and live in Milborne Port myself, so if anyone would like to have a free delivery service of whatever they need from us whilst the market is absent from the hall, just call me (07547 662393) or email me nikki@pendragonwood.co.uk

See you all again at the village hall in the Autumn Folks!

Fond Regards

Nikki and the Team

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volunteer@somerset.gov.uk

Summer Activities in the Library:

Reading Challenge: This summer the theme of the Reading Challenge is 'Marvellous Makers' and we are really looking forward to encouraging and inspiring children to read, write and explore stories and books over the holidays.

Visit the Library between the 27th July and 10th September to join in the fun. Children need to read 6 books, (2 at a time) over the holidays to complete the challenge. We are also running a series of fun activities for them to join in with.

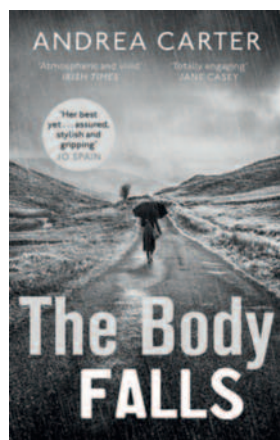
6th – 10th August – Treasure hunt around the village – Collect your form from the library.

Tuesday 13th August 3 p.m. – Football stories and activities.
Dress as your favourite football player.

Tuesday 27th August 3pm – Super Heroes
Stories and activities

Story Writing Competition: This is running throughout the summer holidays – visit the library to find out more.

Monthly book recommendation: The Body Falls by Andrea Carter. Set in Florida in April. Following unusually heavy rain a body is found. Follow the mystery.



Mary Clothier marydmc38@gmail.com



Milborne Port History & Heritage Group

On Monday 19th August we are offering an experience quite different from the norm! Our talk is entitled The Village of Stowell and the Church of St Mary

Magdalene with local guest speakers who are experts in the history of the church and the village. It is a change to our normal format as this talk will take place ON SITE, in the church itself, followed by a short guided walk around the focal points of the village.



Refreshments will be served. *Slightly different time of 7-8.30pm.*

There is some parking along the road but please car-share if you can. If you absolutely cannot find a lift but would love to come, please let us know *before 5th August* and we will see if we can help. We are a charity and ask for a suggested donation of £2 per member or £5 per non-member to cover costs (please Gift Aid your donation if you can). Donations will be shared between the church and Milborne Port History & Heritage Group.

We all learnt much from John Ashton's talk on 15th July about ball courts and fives walls! The consensus reached in the lively discussion at the end of the talk is that the game was a cross between tennis and squash, but with really complicated rules! I am sure that all those that attended will scrutinise our own Ball Court with a more discerning eye in the future!

Big Announcement and a date For Your 2025 Diaries!



We hope to bring the village together to commemorate VE day and we very much hope that you will join us! The date for your diaries is Saturday 10th May 2025. We are in the very early stages of planning, but we envisage a day of activities, exhibitions, displays and talks about Milborne Port and its surroundings during the Second World War, all at the Village Hall, culminating in a 1945 meal and dance with a live band playing songs from the period! More info to come over the next nine months and we will be asking for as much help as possible from other groups and individual volunteers in the village. It's going to be great!

And this is the programme for the rest of this year – more on all of these nearer the time:

- Monday 26th August: Milborne Port South of the A30: The Ancient Borough - a guided walk with Lesley Wray. Meet at the Ball Court at 7pm.
- Monday 16th September: The Portable Antiquities Scheme – Ciorstaidh Hayward Trevarthen
- Monday 21st October: Fancy a Tipple? The History of Milborne Port's Pubs and Inns – Committee members
- Monday 18th November: Nathaniel Ireson of Wincanton – Architect, Master Builder and Potter – Peter Fitzgerald.

Follow us on Facebook for updates on talks and events, and for signposts to articles that are new to our ever-evolving website: <http://milborneporthistory.org.uk>. We have many people now posting brilliant material onto our Facebook pages, so if you are a Facebooker, it is well worth checking out these contributions. You can also get in touch by e-mail: mphhgroup@gmail.com

Nathalie Hetherington, MPH&H Group

The August Night Sky

“No sight is more provocative of awe than is the night sky.” – Llewelyn Powys

Solar time is the time of the Sun on a sundial and is measured by the Sun crossing the sky due to the earth's rotation on its axis. The fixed point of solar time is midday when the sun is at its highest point in the sky. Midday (also called noon) is a local time of day. The sun travels from east to west, so midday is earlier at places to the east than the west. For example, here in Milborne Port, midday is 8 minutes later than London. Time zones were introduced worldwide to deal with the problem of differences in solar time.

Local time was in standard use up to the nineteenth century. In the UK, the main reason for moving from local time to national time was to standardise railway timetables. Before then, when travel and communication were slow, differences in time between various places were not so important.



The origins of the word noon come from the Latin 'none' and refers to the ninth hour after daybreak which is at 6.00 a.m. Originally, it was used to denote the timing of a daily prayer or meal at 3 p.m. In the 12th century the prayer and meal were moved to 12:00 p.m., but the term 'none' remained, encouraging the use and timing of today's "noon".

4th: New Moon

5th: narrow crescent Moon just to the right of Venus, low in the west after sunset.

12th: First Quarter Moon.

12th/13th: peak of the Perseids meteor shower. Best seen after the Moon sets at 11pm, it is an excellent year for observing providing we have a clear night!

15th: In the early hours Mars passes close to Jupiter.
 19th: Full Moon. In the Anglo-Saxon calendar it was called the 'Barley Moon,' 'Fruit Moon,' or 'Grain Moon' as it coincides with the first harvest of the year.

20th: Moon near Saturn

21st: Moon moves in front of Saturn, hiding it from view. Saturn will reappear in the morning twilight.

26th: Last Quarter Moon

28th: Moon near Jupiter and Mars

Sunrise and Sunset

1st: Sunrise 5.37 am Sunset: 8.59 pm.

31st: Sunrise 6.23 am Sunset: 7.59 pm.

The length of the days gets 01 hours, 46 minutes shorter in August 2024.

Good Viewing.



Ganymede

Where in Milborne Port can you find this sundial? The answer next month.

MAGAZINE DEADLINES

All entries for the September issue of the magazine to the editor please by Saturday 24th August at 12 noon latest.



Distributors at the church on Friday 30th August at 2 p.m.

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All email contributions will be acknowledged. If you do not receive a reply, or if you are unable to use email, please ring 01963 33495

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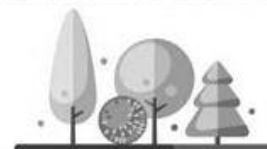
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