



Parish News

Wick, Doynton, Dyrham and Hinton



September 2024

It's been a summer of contrasts. On a superficial level, there was the weather we hoped for – and the weather we had.



On a much more serious level, there was a horrific act of murderous brutality, followed by a series of events which could perhaps be summed up as: hatred, violence and vitriol vs solidarity, courage and compassion. On the evening of 7th August, when violent disturbances were expected in many cities, counter protesters came out in force with placards and signs along the lines of “Refugees welcome – Racists not” and “Hope not Hate”. My favourite anti-racist placard from that day was “Nans against Nazis”.

Of all of those who came out onto the streets to oppose the violence and the hatred, probably only a small minority would consider themselves Christians, and yet, in standing up for marginalised and vulnerable people in our society, the majority were, perhaps unwittingly, following Jesus.

Another placard seen on 7th August read, “When the poor blame the poor, only the rich win”. Some on the far right claim to be defending our country's Christian values. Really? By terrorising people who are seeking sanctuary? By setting fire to a library and a foodbank? By hurling rocks at Filipino nurses on their way to work their shifts in the NHS? What about treating others the way we would wish to be treated ourselves? Jesus didn't require his followers to sign up to a set of beliefs, he required them to behave with kindness and compassion. He challenges us all to love our neighbour, to feed the hungry, to welcome strangers, to take care of those in need. “Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.”

Linda Byrne, with all best wishes from Wick chapel

News from St Bartholomew's

Last month I said “You may find yourselves coming to worship under the direction of a frankly amateur Churchwarden.” Well, the frankly amateur Churchwarden DID step up and lead a service - thankfully, Jane Brookman was the “warmup act” and she explained what was happening and why, and set a lovely atmosphere. So it all went off ok, thankfully! I'm sure it will happen again, and can only get better. Our lay-led service on the first Sunday in August was another of Sarah and Jane's excellent offerings: we considered what “The Bread of Life” meant, and actually made bread! Which turned out to be edible.

People did respond to the advert about our need for an admin person, and we have found an ideal candidate. Wish her well as she begins to discover the intricacies of church paperwork.

Party in the Park went very well, and we sold all of our cakes!



Rev Peter Hallett sends his and Bridget's grateful thanks to all who contributed to their farewell services and gifts - see his letter in the Owl's Nest on page 7.

Rev Elaine has begun the work of refreshing the worship life of the church: having spent the last few months seeing what all the different churches do, and getting to know us all, she has come up with some ideas to revitalise our services. Her plan is to offer something that will be appealing to people who don't normally think of themselves as “going to church”. On the 4th Sunday of each month, there will be an informal “Community Church” service, still at 10.00am but very different in feel and content. It is not JUST for families with young children, but will hopefully appeal to them, as well as everybody else! The first one will be on 22nd of September at 10.00am - why not pop in and see what it's all about?

The MacMillan coffee morning in the Church Room will be on Friday 27th September 2024 - everyone is invited. There will be coffee cake and a raffle. 10.30 till 12. See you there!

Doynton Parish Pump

Doynton House will be open under the National Gardens Scheme on **Sunday September 1st**, 2.00–4.00 p.m., with your neighbours' home-made teas on offer. Admission adults £7.50, children free.

The Memory Café at Doynton will hold its next meeting on Thursday September 5th in the village hall. Crafts, games, puzzles, shared memories, chats with our volunteers, tea and home-made cakes are a feature of every café. We have lots of information and guidance available for those with a new diagnosis of dementia and their families, and many of our volunteers have experience of someone with dementia among their own family or friends. The café meets on the first Thursday of every month, 2.00–4.00 p.m. For more information, see our Facebook "The Memory Cafe at Doynton", email mcdoynton [at] gmail.com or call/text 07817 311001.

Doynton Village Market: next markets September 7th and 21st, 10.00–11.00 a.m., in the village hall. The market continues to do well, and this is the time of year we have an abundance of fruit, vegetables, cut flowers, etc. – so much so that we have increased the table space to accommodate it all. Our produce couldn't be fresher, often picked on the morning of the market or the afternoon before. If you want the pick of the crop, please get here early! It won't be too long before this year's apple juice will be available ... watch this space. Alongside all this we also have the perennial sweet and savoury products. If you want to be sure, you can always order (by the Wednesday before the market) and collect your order on the day. Tel. Elizabeth Crew (0117 937 3168). Even if you don't need anything, why not pop in for a cuppa and slice of cake? We look forward to seeing you!

The "**Warm Wednesdays**" community café will open its doors once again from October 2nd (10.30 a.m.–12.00 noon). Come along for tea/coffee and a biscuit or six, and the best gossip in town!

Soup and Delicious Desserts: Monday October 7th from 12.30 p.m. in the village hall. Coffee and tea available. Donations (min. £6) graciously accepted, all profits to Bath Welcomes Refugees. Please book to secure your place: contact Jill (jill.ritchie [at] globallearning.co.uk) or Jenny (jjbartram [at] btinternet.com).

Summers Field community orchard: the cream tea on July 20th was moved to the church for meteorological reasons. It was a lovely

afternoon, full of community spirit, and made a small profit for orchard funds. Thanks to all the scone-makers, the scones were delicious. The next orchard event is the **barn dance on Saturday October 12th** in the village hall. Doors open 6.30 p.m., ploughman's supper 7.00 p.m. Tickets in advance £15 (adult), £7.50 (under-16). Pay bar, card or cash. Contact Lisa (07974 771670) or Corinda (07587 175474). Limited tickets available! Posters around the village soon.

Advance notice of the **stupendous playing field quiz**, to be held at the village hall on Saturday **November 16th**. Doors open at 7.30 p.m. for a prompt start at 8.00 p.m., tickets £20 for a team of four people or £5 per single ticket – cash only, please. Pay bar – cash or card. Donations of raffle prizes would be greatly appreciated – please bring them on the night. For more information, contact Jane Stewart (johnjane252 [at] gmail.com) or tel. 0117 937 3299.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the **Doynton foodshare box** over the past four years. We have now "retired" the Doynton box, but encourage everyone who can do so to continue to support the North Bristol & South Glos Foodbank via the collecting box in the church porch. If you need to make use of the foodbank, please contact them on 0117 472 5172, or visit their website at nbsg.foodbank.org.uk. Our local "village agent", Aimee Cherry-Williams, can help you to access the foodbank network and provide further support if needed – this is a completely free and confidential service. Read more at https://orlo.uk/Village_Agents_plEmf.

Doynton and Wick WI: at the August meeting, member Alex Huband took us through the year in the magnificent gardens of Dyrham Park, including the new parterre behind the house, with metalwork manufactured locally in Doynton. Two meetings in September: Wednesday 11th in the village hall, with Richard Ricketts, "the Bee Man" (please bring produce for the harvest stall), and Friday 20th, a garden party for the Doynton group of WIs.

The **animal blessing service** in Holy Trinity Church on August 18th, led by Rev. Elaine, was much appreciated. The congregation included three horses, six dogs, a rabbit, a tortoise, a hen and a frog! Here we were reminded that God's love for each one of us is even greater than our love for our pets.

Post Office in the village hall: every Thursday 9.30–10.30 a.m. for standard post office services. Order groceries by 6.00 p.m. Wednesday for collection (Oldland Common Post Office and Store, tel. 932 3159).



The Owl's Nest

Welcome to the news for **September**

Please email

wickparishmagazine@outlook.com

with your news items for the October issue

edition by **Friday 20th September** Please

send copy containing artwork/logos etc as

a **.png or .jpg** file, thank you



Anthea Watts writes:

Something went wrong with getting my last report published, so although some of it is a bit out of date, I am sending it again and updating with anything new.

At our meeting on 23 May, after discussion about the resolutions for the AGM, Helen Williams gave us a presentation about her safari holiday. She started by telling us a little about Botswana and its history and showed us a map of the places she visited. This was followed by lovely photographs of the scenery and the animals she had seen. We then enjoyed a light supper of cheese and wine, which finished off a very enjoyable evening.

Seven members had a walk in the Newton St Loe area on 13 June, in cold but dry weather. They were fortunate in seeing swans, cygnets and ducks during their walk. They enjoyed a delicious lunch at the farm cafe.

23 August - Birthday Celebrations

26 September - Dogs for Us

24 October - AGM/Quiz

28 November - Portishead RNLI

Forthcoming events

A visit to Corsham Court has been arranged for Tuesday 20 August at 2 pm.

A skittles evening will be arranged for October at Oldland Village Hall.

Walks in October, November and December to be confirmed.

Group event

On May 24 we visited a Greek tavern (AKA Doynton Village Hall) for the Abba group meeting. We enjoyed a film, a talk by Sam Board who had appeared in a West End stage version of Abba the Musical, together with a very good Greek meal and wine. Our thanks go to Tina and her team for all the hard work involved in organising such a successful evening.

We are always pleased to welcome new members to join our happy and friendly group. If you are interested in joining us or coming to any of the above events, then feel free to contact our President, Wendy Haynes, on 07930 851582 for

A letter from Rev Peter Hallett

Dear Friends

By the time you are reading this we should no longer be living in Bristol. Although, at the time of writing this, we still don't have a removal date, we fully expect the lodge that we will be moving into will be finished in August at the latest.

The last Service in which I played an active role was on 30th June which was a united Service for all five congregations; it was a celebration of Holy Communion, which is rightly called the sacrament of unity; and it was a Service where there was the opportunity for individuals to receive prayer for healing. The Service was very well supported, and had a great feel about it.

Just before the end of the Service a fuss was made of us! Bridget was given a beautiful bouquet, and we were given a very generous cash gift of £320. And that on top of 'One4all' gift cards from the congregations of Pucklechurch and Abson. For us, being able to share in the life of the churches here was great - we are grateful that we could be of some help. As we move we have that mix of emotion - being sad to leave, and yet pleased to be moving closer to our children, and to be part of a community where we lived for over 30 years. We will take many happy memories with us. Our deep thanks for your very kind and generous gifts.

Thank you - Go with God,

Peter and Bridget Hallett



Dyrham & Hinton Diversions

Women's Institute

For our August meeting members embraced the showery weather during a visit to Compton Dando Garden Flower Farm. The owner Sarah Wilson gave us a warm welcome and led us into her flower field. Sarah explained how she left her fast paced management consultancy job eight years ago to follow her passion for British flowers. She undertook a floristry course and subsequently launched the British flower farm and floristry business with the support of her husband Bob. After eight years of developing the business and not being deterred by rabbits and deer, Sarah and Bob have managed to cultivate a successful British garden flower farm supplying freshly cut flowers to local florists, Bath and Bristol flower markets, and artisan wedding florists. After taking refuge in a poly-tunnel, members were able to don their waterproofs and have a guided tour of what seems to be a quintessentially English cottage garden but is in fact the "flower production line". The majority of their flowers are grown from seed to cultivate great fresh cut flowers which ooze colour and scent. Retreating into their dining room, Sarah created a stunning floral demonstration which was raffled off to one lucky member whilst we enjoyed steaming mugs of tea and homemade cake. FFI: comptongardenflowers.co.uk

Future meetings: (Meetings 2nd Thursday every month 7pm Dyrham & Hinton Village Hall)
12th September - Introducing the Amazing Honeybee with Guest speaker Richard Rickitt, Beekeeper & Author. Richard will be bringing jars of honey to sell - £5.00 per jar with donations going to a local bee charity.

(The above September meeting is an open meeting to the community, family & friends, please notify us via email below if you wish to attend as a guest.)



Dyrham & Hinton WI Book Club (Read Between the Wines):

Book club members are taking a summer break but are scheduled to meet up in September to discuss *Shrines of Gaiety* by author Kate Atkinson.

We welcome new members; ladies can attend up to 2 initial meetings without any obligations. We meet on the 2nd Thursday of each month. For further information please contact us at:

dyrhamandhintoncommitteewi@gmail.com



Boyd Valley Painting Group

The Boyd Valley painting group meet every Thursday morning between the hours of 10.00am and 1.00pm at the Dyrham & Hinton Village Hall. We are a self help group of local residents within Boyd valley who have a mutual interest in learning and improving basic artistic skills in a very friendly and helpful atmosphere.

The group is run on a "not for profit" principle whereby all members share the modest cost of the hall hire, between them. Fortunately, this year, due to a successful funding application, there will be no charge for those attending until further notice.

Please come along to any meeting, no need to bring any equipment if you do not already have any, we will show you how to get started and very soon you will achieve a basic ability which you can build upon.

Call, before arriving, on the following telephone number and leave a message if no answer.

Andrew Hedges (Dyrham) 01179372928.

The group resumes classes on 5th Sept and are hoping to hold a local exhibition of their work in November. More information to follow.

Dyrham and Doynton Community Prayers

A new service of monthly prayer time is starting on Tuesday 10th September in St Peter's church, 9-10am. This will alternate with Doynton church the following month and back to Dyrham church on 5th November, all welcome.

Menopause Cafe

The next Menopause Cafe will be on Saturday 26th October 9:00am - 12:00pm at Dyrham and Hinton Village Hall.

Struggling with your fitness during peri/post menopause? Finding it difficult to tone and strengthen your body? Feeling tired, anxious and/or stressed a lot of the time? Feeling like you're in this alone?

If any of your answers are 'yes' then come along to the next Menopause Cafe. After the success of the first one I've been asked to host another. A chance to join this friendly group to move, stretch, release, workout and chatter. A perfect combination I think you'll agree.

Email to book your place sue@coreandmore.co.uk or call Sue Webb 07773 492686. Numbers will be limited so please do get in touch to secure your place.

Please send any contributions for the next Dyrham & Hinton Diversions to Angela Griffiths (angela.dahparishnews@gmail.com) by 18th September.

News from the URC Chapel

Our annual sale in aid of Target Ovarian Cancer will be held on Saturday 14th September – 2.30 until 4.30 pm.

There will be cream teas, tombola, bric-a-brac, books and jigsaws. We hold this event annually in aid of Monica Knight who was our treasurer and organist.

Harvest Thanksgiving on Sunday 6th October. We have invited the members from St Bartholomew's to join us for the service and a buffet lunch afterwards.

The Party in the Park organised by Friends of Wick Village was a huge success. The Chapel stall raised £168 selling books and jigsaws.

The schoolroom is all but finished – just waiting for curtains to be hung. Our band of Thursday ladies have worked so hard over the past few months – dusting, cleaning, carrying chairs, tables, washing and ironing curtains. All this to create the lovely environment in the schoolroom. We are all so proud of the room.

On a sad note, we have two families connected with our fellowship who have lost loved ones. Tragically Jo Harding's and Helen and Sarah's Mum Pat Parker. Both families have strong connections with our fellowship. Jo, Helen and Sarah were loyal members of the Sunday school. Jim Parker kept the fabric of the Chapel maintained for many years.

The funerals took place in August.

A future date for your diary:

The Christmas Sale this year will be on Saturday 30th November.



WICK CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

COULD YOU BE A GOVERNOR?



Are you interested in supporting your local school? Could you contribute to the work of the governing body in ensuring high standards of achievement for all children and young people in the school?

Governors are expected to:

- Contribute to the strategic discussions at governing body meetings;
- Hold the senior leaders to account by monitoring the school's performance;
- Ensure the school staff have the resources and support they require to do their jobs well;
- When required, serve on panels of governors (appraisal, recruitment etc.).
- Get to know the school and gain a good understanding of the school's strengths and weaknesses;
- Attend regular relevant training and development events;
- Attend meetings and read all the papers before the meeting;
- Act in the best interest of all the pupils of the school;
- Behave in a professional manner including acting in strict confidence.

Send your expression of interest to
sue.abrahams1@wickprimary.org.uk

For more information, visit our website at:
www.wickprimaryschool.co.uk

Wick Football Club



With our new 2024/2025 season underway, it's been a pre-season of change at Wick FC. Kev Pollard and Jamie Johnson, last season's 1st team management team have decided to step down, and after a rapid search, we are delighted to announce that Callum Fudgell and Josh Brown, two young up and coming managers, have agreed to take on running our 1st team. Both lads share our club's ambition to achieve Step 6 football, and are relishing the new challenge in the Marcliff Gloucestershire County league. We have also a new Reserve team partnership to announce, Dom Summers and Dave Pike will be taking over the reigns, they come with experience and three successful seasons as a group.

On the awards front, our matchday programme 'Owls nest,' won the Marcliffe Glos County programme of the year award for the second year running (3 out of the last 6 with three 2nd places). Last season, we have sold over 625 1st team home matchday programmes and our average home attendance was over 65, which is fantastic for a county league team. Groundhoppers continue to visit our ground to pick up a programme. Last season there were two of note, one coming from Shrewsbury and one from Preston. If you would like to advertise please contact Matt on number above.

Off the pitch, our current aim is to provide an accessible walkway, from the carpark to both pitches at Wick Sports Ground. The Sports Ground welcomes visitors and supporters from both the local and wider community, where the recreation ground can transform the lives of not just those that take part in sport, but those that can now only watch. Our current grass walkway becomes muddy and uneven in bad weather, which prevents wheelchair access and becomes dangerous for the old and infirm. We now have planning permission in place, to lay a bonded pathway to and around the pitches to provide safe and accessible route for spectators young and old.

The ground is looking magnificent as usual, so a massive thank you to the groundcare and maintenance volunteers who make the Sports Ground such a great place. So if you haven't already been to the ground to watch a game, why not come and have a look.

Our clubs aim is to reach step 6 in the near future and we also want to build a relationship that will allow young footballers to progress through to senior football, in an organised way should they wish. If you know of anyone interested in linking a Youth set-up with our seniors please contact Matt on 07977 510352

September Fixtures

1st Team (KO 3pm)

- 7 A LJLC - R1 Bromley Heath United
- 14 H MGCL Henbury & Rockleaze
- 21 TBC GFA - R1 TBC
- 28 A MGCL Quedgeley Wanderers

Vets (KO 10:30am) 45's Division 1

- 15 H Chew Magna 45s
- 29 A Red Star Bristol

Reserves (KO 2pm)

- 07 A B&D Div 3 AFC Mangotsfield District Reserves
- 11 H B&D Div 3 De Veys Reserves (6pm KO)
- 14 A B&D Div 3 Nicholas Wanderers A
- 21 H B&D Div 3 Bradley Stoke Town A
- 28T BC GFA Cup - R1 TBC

Sunday Team (KO 10:30am)

- 01 A Bristol Premier Sunday Supreme Cuts
- 09 H Bristol Premier Sunday Digital Dash

Wick Sports Ground

With summer finally arrived, why not pop up to the Sports Ground on a match day to support Wick FC, or just sit and relax in the picnic area and take in the view. WSG has been proud to host a few charity evenings recently in the clubhouse, so watch out for any upcoming events and show your support by coming along.

Clubhouse & 3G Multi-Games Area For Hire – If you are interested in hiring the outdoor court or clubhouse with disco facilities, please contact Matt on 07977 510352 for availability and costs.

Sunday Services September 2024

1st September - 14th Sunday after Trinity

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am All Together Suzy Britton

ST PETER'S DYRHAM

10.00am Morning Worship Steve Burgess

WICK CHAPEL

10.30am Morning Worship Rev Steve Britton

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am Holy Communion Rev Elaine Jones

ST JAMES'S ABSON

6.30pm Evensong Omar Begg



8th September - 15th Sunday after Trinity

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am Holy Communion with Baptism Rev Elaine Jones

HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON

10.00am Café Church

WICK CHAPEL

9.45am Breakfast Club Elizabeth Hagon

ST JAMES ABSON

8.45am Holy Communion Rev Steve Britton

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am Morning Worship Omar Begg



15th September - 16th Sunday after Trinity

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am Morning Worship* Steve Burgess

ST PETER'S DYRHAM

10.00am Holy Communion TBC

WICK CHAPEL

10.30am Family Sharing Rev Stephen Newell

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am Café church Rev Elaine Jones



22nd September - 17th Sunday after Trinity

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am NEW! Community Church Rev Elaine Jones

WICK CHAPEL

10.30am A visit to the Holy Shed

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am Holy Communion Rev Steve Britton



29th September - 18th Sunday after Trinity

HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON

10.00 am 5th Sunday Joint Service for Michaelmas

WICK CHAPEL

10.30am Morning Worship Rev Sue Cossey



* Possibly Harvest Festival - see posters on noticeboard and church porch for updates/confirmation.



News from your Parish Council

Village News for Wick & Abson www.wickabsonpcgov.uk

- Parish Clerk email contact: wickabson_parishcouncil@yahoo.co.uk
- First aid training: the PC has arranged an evening session at 7.00 pm on Thursday 5 September to cover CPR, staunching blood loss, and using a defibrillator. This is a free, 90 minute session. All welcome.
- **Brockwell Park:** to improve access, the PC is planning a new tarmac path from the car park to the play area, with new dropped kerbs, and to move the play area fence away from the slide. Further works may be undertaken to re-instate the path to the seating area at the top of the park.
- **Brockwell Park orchard:** the PC approved the planting of additional plum, greengage, cherry and mulberry trees by the Community Trees group.
- **Village Hall:** quotes are being obtained to resurface the car park and improve surface water drainage.
- **Planning:**
 - P24/01702/CLP: Midway, 54 Riding Barn Hill, Wick – roof works and dormer windows to enable a loft conversion – *no objection*.
 - P24/01732/PIP: Land to the south of High Street/Church Road, Wick (*opp the former Carpenters Arms*) – planning in principle for 9 self-build homes – *objection, many of the previous reasons for objection still apply to this site. See planning application for further details.*
 - P23/02126/F: Land at Wick Filling Station, London Road, Wick – installation of EV chargers – *application withdrawn 18 July 2024.*
 - P24/01744/LB: Old Manor Farmhouse, Manor Road, Wick – listed building consent to relocate kitchen within existing curtilage – *no objection*.
 - P24/01734/PNH: 20, Mendip View, Wick – single storey rear extension to create new living space – *no objection*.
- **Next Parish Council meeting:**
7:15pm Thursday 12th September 2024, Wick Village Hall.



Memory Café

A relaxed, informal and **free** drop in café, providing support for people with dementia along with a family member, carer, or friend.
The café meets from 2-4 on the first Thursday in every month in Doynton Village Hall- BS30 5SY

Our September theme is MELLOW YELLOW! There will be a Country Dance session which in the past has been entertaining and such fun for both participants and onlookers alike!
In October we celebrate Harvest. The lovely choir from Emerson Green School will entertain us; we were blown away with their performance earlier this year and we are sure we will be again!
Our usual art activities, quizzes, jigsaws and singing are offered together with refreshments and friendly faces.
The sessions always finish with the ever popular **BIG RED BALLOON!**

Come along and enjoy the fun!



September 2024 Environment challenge

See what pupils at Wick Primary school are doing to care for the environment.....



Children in Little Dippers Club (part of The Friends of Wick Golden Valley Local Nature Reserve) and the children of Eco Squad this year have been helping nature and the environment. The Eco Squad identified three main areas, energy conservation, waste and enhancing biodiversity.

Energy surveys have been conducted throughout the year, with eco reps taking responsibility for turning lights off and other equipment electronic devices. We have also surveyed the school at regular intervals and feedback to classroom users if lights are being left on in empty rooms.

We also did a bioblitz survey and identified the variety of flora and fauna present school grounds and found over 50 different species. We talked about enhancing and creating habitats to ensure more species are encouraged. NOT dropping toast for sea gulls at breaktime!

We have chosen suitable sites for bird and bat boxes in the school grounds. We have fed the birds through the winter months, making our own fat balls and lolly pop stick bird feeders. We have been learning about how to improve our school grounds habitat for wildlife to thrive and use as a nature/wildlife corridor to the surrounding countryside. We have won an award for our work in improving the grounds by planting lots of pollinator friendly plants in a new flower bed and a wild flower meadow amongst the orchard trees.

We have extended our allotment area and hope to be able to plant more fruiting bushes (any donations of black currant, red currant, gooseberry bushes to the school would be very, very gratefully received). We have planted lots of sensory plants, which are great for the children but also help with the biodiversity of our site.

Children do litter picking around the school weekly, sometimes even daily to keep it clean and safe for wildlife. And waste has been reduced, reused and recycled where possible.



Activities in the local community include:

Planted over 500 whips (baby trees) in the school and Brockwell park and helped to create an orchard.

Next term we will be working with someone from South Glos Commons Connections project to create some hedgehog friendly habitats too.

-Surveyed nests from last years nesting boxes from the nature reserve to record the amount of microplastics in them which the birds have found in our local environment, this data was then used by students at UWE to contribute to their environmental research.

-Watched bird ringing, and learnt about tracking migrating birds.

-Carried out a river blitz survey to test the Boyd river for pollution.

-Did a bat walk to learn about all the bats in the nature reserve (there's 8 out of the 18 bat species in the UK found in the nature reserve)

Visited the quarry to find out about how they are managing it and helping nature and wildlife.

Thank you to the quarry management, local farming families and residents who have kindly donated materials and come in to offer their labour for us to be able to complete some of these projects.

It's been a busy year!

Little Dippers and Eco Club (Wick CE Primary School).

The September challenge is to follow the example of our children.

Friends of Wick Village invite you to...

MAMMA MIA!

SING ALONG



Come along to see a free film afternoon hosted by Friends of Wick Village.

MAMMA MIA!

SING ALONG

Thursday 5th September
2 - 4pm

Wick Village Hall, BS30 BSG

Car parking on site, disabled toilets on ground floor. Refreshments included.



STARTING 5TH SEPTEMBER

ALL NEW PILATES CLASSES

AT WICK VILLAGE HALL

THURSDAYS 1:50PM - 2:50PM

Suitable for all

CONTACT SUE WEBB

07773 492686

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Saturday 14th September
Drop in to visit a heritage site
right here in Wick

St Bartholomew's Church, Wick invite you
to enjoy tea and cakes in this lovely building
between 11am and 4pm
donations to church repairs
any amount is welcome and we take cash or card

We are part of the Gloucestershire Historic Churches Trust Ride and Stride event. Cyclists and walkers will be touring churches in all counties on this day to raise funds to maintain them.

Please help us repair and maintain our church for future generations



Please join us for a

Cream Tea

in the Chapel Schoolroom on
Saturday 14th September 2024

From 2.30 until 4.30 pm

There will be a sales table, cakes, a raffle, tombola, books and a cream tea All proceeds will be given to Tar-

Friday 27th **September**

10.30 - 12 noon

Coffee, cake and a raffle.

Come and join the fun!





Donations are accepted between 8:30am and 9:30am
Doors open for shopping from 9:30am until 11am

**The first Saturday of each month,
at Wick Village Hall**

The only cost is your entrance fee!
Adults: £5 each / under 18s are free when
accompanied by a paying adult!



A huge thank you to Dart Heating & Plumbing for helping sponsor a portion of our rent, this allows us to continue to run our event ♥
If you or your business would like to sponsor our event, please get in touch or talk with one of our staff at our next event ♻️

Bringing the community back together and reducing landfill ♥

Contact: @wickcommunityfreecycle on Instagram / Wick Community Free-Cycle on Facebook
wickcommunityfreecycle@gmail.com / Proceeds go to Wick Pre-School

**From March onwards, we'll be holding a
"community cuppa" hour, from 11am until 12pm
after each free-cycle! We invite members of our
local community to come along for a cuppa and a
chat, totally free! If you're already at free-cycle,
you're more than welcome to stay ♥**



MENOPAUSE CAFE

Dyrham & Hinton Village Hall

Saturday 26th October

9:00am – 12:00pm

£20.00

9:00am – 9:30am Pilates for Pelvic Health

9:45am – 10:15am Resistance Training

10:30am – 11:00am Mind Body Flow

11:00am – 12:00pm Coffee, Cake and Chat

Contact Sue Webb 07773 492686

for more info or to book your place



EVERYONE WELCOME


 FRIENDS OF WICK VILLAGE
Christmas MARKET
FRIDAY NOVEMBER 22ND
5.30PM TO 8.30PM

Friends of Wick Village supported by Wick and Abson Parish Council are hosting the Christmas lights switch on and this year we are inviting all local artists, crafters, hobbyists to have a stall at our Christmas Market in Wick Village Hall to sell homemade crafts, decorations, cakes, novelties etc.

For more information email:
FOWV2024@gmail.com

ROTAS FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

WICK CHURCH FLOWERS

31/Sept 7 Pat Russell 14/21 Anne Reynolds
 28/Oct 5 Tina Holbrook



WICK CHURCH CLEANING

7th Jeannette Bailey 14th Monica and Barbara
 21st Pat Russell 28th Anne Reynolds
 Oct 5th Sarah Hewett



WICK SIDESPERSONS

1st Colin & Jeannette Bailey
 8th Pam Milton and Jane Brookman
 15th Anne & Nick Reynolds
 22nd Steve Butt



Wick Church Toddlers



Every Tuesday, 10 am - 11.45 am
 All Welcome

Open Door

Every Friday 10.30 – 11.30am Church Room
 St Bartholomew's, Wick. All are welcome to meet friends and neighbours. Coffee, chat and a Thought for the Day



Friday 27th of September is our annual MacMillan coffee morning - Ruth and her team invite you to come and support this incredible cause. Cake, and a raffle, 10.30 till 12 noon. See

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