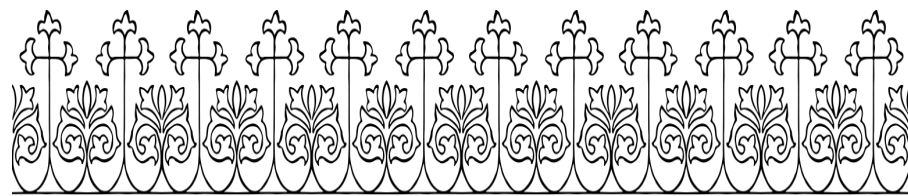


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Parish News

Wick, Doynton, Dyrham and Hinton



July & August 2025

Dear Friends,

Summer has arrived; a season full of life, warmth, and fruitfulness. It's a time when we pause to enjoy the beauty of God's creation and the abundance He provides. Each season brings its own blessings, and summer invites us to gather, to grow, and to give thanks. In May, we held a lovely animal blessing service out on the church field. It was such a joy to see families, children and adults alike bringing along their beloved pets, we had dogs, a lamb, a chicken, guinea pigs, and even a few well-loved fluffy toy animals. Each one received a special blessing as we celebrated all of creation. We also took time to marvel at the beauty of our surroundings here in Wick, including our newly planted fruit trees, a reminder of the generous gifts of nature.

Our villages are full of energy and life, especially during the summer months. The 'Doynton Village Fete' had a great turnout, even with the unpredictable weather, and as I write this, I'm looking forward to the 'Party in the Park' hosted by the Friends of Wick in Brockwell Park. These community events are a wonderful chance to reconnect, and it's always a delight to see people of all ages getting involved, planning, participating, and simply enjoying one another's company.

We would love for you to join us at our upcoming Church Community Service on Sunday, 27th July at 10 a.m. in the church grounds of St Bartholomew's Church. The theme will be generosity, and we'll reflect on the story of the feeding of the 5,000; a powerful reminder of what happens when we each offer what we can. It promises to be a special time of worship, sharing, and togetherness.

You're warmly invited, please bring along a picnic, and if you're able, a little something to share. Weather permitting, we'll sit on the grass, enjoy good food, and celebrate God's blessings of summer as a community. Everyone is welcome, whether it's your first time joining us or you're a regular part of church life. Come as you are, and bring a friend or neighbour along too!

Together, let's make the most of this season together, with open hearts, shared laughter, and gratitude for all that God provides.

Love and God Bless

Elaine

News from St Bartholomew's

The pet service I told you about last month actually went REALLY well! We had some beautiful dogs, a chicken, Steve the lamb, a hamster (*or it may have been a gerbil, I'm not good at rodents, generally*) and it went off very happily. People munched on croissants and drank tea, we heard the children tell us about how they look after their animals, and we sang our little hearts out! It was blustery, but dry and sunny, and we all felt blessed. The most recent Community Church service was all about The Good News: church people tend to use this phrase as a sort of "shorthand" but it needs a bit of unpacking, really. The children from the school did a fantastic job encouraging us to think about the explanations.

We passed our Triennial Inspection, with a few things added to our To Do list. Did you know that sweeping up the bat poo before a service can be classified as "doing a live Risk Assessment"?

Our Lay Minister, Steve Burgess, has a particular interest in all things environmental, and he has engaged with a group called "Common Connections" (The people who provided and planted the new fruit trees - which we are now grandly calling "The Orchard"). They have come up with some very exciting plans to help us in our quest for more wildflowers (and therefore more insects, therefore helping our bats in the roof) and improved biodiversity, so watch in amazement as things begin to get done.

As I write, Party in the Park is imminent, so hopefully, we'll see you all there - and a big thank you to the precisely NONE of you who voted for "Wet Sponges at the Church Warden". The Milky Bars are on me.

And do please come to our picnic on 27th July - it's church, Jim, but not as we know it. Bring your own picnic, rug to sit on and your singing voice, we will provide tea, coffee and possibly a biscuit or two. There might even be a rounders game set up... for the children, you understand. Absolutely not for the adults to muck around, oh, no.

Doynton Parish Pump

The **Memory Cafe** has celebrated its third birthday! We will continue to meet throughout the summer on the first Thursday of the month (July 3rd, August 7th, September 4th), 2-4 p.m., at Doynton village hall. In July we are planning some gentle indoor and maybe outdoor games and activities; in August we will be celebrating holidays. All our cafes feature tea/coffee and delicious home-made cakes, a warm welcome and lots of activities. We usually end by singing together with Clare and the big red balloon. Anyone living with dementia or memory loss is welcome to attend with a family member or carer. The cafe is free to attend, thanks to generous support of local parish councils, organisations and individuals. Recently we have benefited from generous donations from the Wick Open Gardens day – thanks to all who supported us. Volunteer Week is over, but we are always so grateful to all our volunteers and will celebrate and thank them at an afternoon tea in July. If you would like any more information about any aspect of the cafe, you can find us on Facebook “The Memory Cafe at Doynton” or text us on 07817 311001.

The **magnificent gardens of Doynton House** will be open on **Sunday July 6th**, 2.00–6.00 p.m., under the National Gardens Scheme. Admission £7.50, children free. Come and sample your neighbours’ home-made cakes!

The **Warm Wednesdays** café will continue over the summer – many thanks to our enthusiastic volunteers who man (and woman) the coffee machine and taste-test the biscuits for you every week. Come along between 10.30 a.m. and 12 noon for a warm drink and warmer company!

Doynton Village Market: we had a brilliant start to June, with most being sold out, with lots of (very) fresh vegetables, plants and virtually just picked flowers. It is only going to get better as the next couple of months progress, with fruit coming on, plus tomatoes and salad, and the usual sweet treats/cakes. If over the July/August period you happen to be going off for a day out, picnic goodies can be ordered and picked up early, or if you are just staying home and want something for an alfresco lunch, or indeed if you are planning a BBQ our heritage pork sausages could fit the bill. Don’t forget we can also supply vegetarian and gluten-free goods, but if you want something special, please enquire. Just as a reminder, we are open on the first and third Saturday mornings of the month, 10.00–11.00 a.m. at Doynton village hall (**July 5th and 19th, August 2nd and 16th** (but not 30th) and **September 6th**). Check us out on Facebook (Doynton Village Market), or tel./message 07711 670704 before midday on the Wednesday before the market. We look forward to seeing you!

The **Cross House Garden Festival** will be going ahead again this year on Sunday August 24th, 3.00–10.00 p.m., with live music, BBQ and local ciders. Adults £10 per ticket, under-12s go free. Tickets on sale from the bar at the pub (don’t delay – when they’re gone they’re gone!).

The **village fête** on June 14th made the grand total of £4300, despite some typically British weather. Many thanks to everyone who helped out, staffing the stalls, serving teas and making cakes.

At the June meeting of **Doynton and Wick WI**, Sandra Bateman dispelled some of the conventional myths about the Brontë sisters, Charlotte (author of *Jane Eyre*), Emily (*Wuthering Heights*) and Anne (*Agnes Grey*). Dismissing the common view of an isolated childhood dictated by a tyrannical father, Sandy told the story of a close family, inventing imaginary worlds and writing poems, plays and stories. The next meeting is the annual mystery outing and meal on **July 9th – meet at Doynton village hall at 5.00 p.m.** The evening will be mostly indoors: bring your contribution of £15 (in cash, please) if you have not already done so. Next meeting August 13th, with a BBQ and beetle drive.

Advance notice of the **autumn feast and barn dance** on **Saturday October 11th** at the village hall. Proceeds to support Summers Field community orchard. More details to follow.

Please donate any packets or tins of food you can spare to the **Doynton foodbank** and **North Bristol and South Glos foodbank** in the church porch. Many families are still in great need.

Down in the dumps: did you know that, if you want to visit the local waste recycling centre at Mangotsfield, you now have to pre-book a slot online? Go to <https://beta.southglos.gov.uk/book-recycling-centre/> to book a slot up to two weeks in advance.

Visit the Doynton village website, www.doyntonvillage.org, for news of upcoming events, Doynton history and useful local links. To publicize a Doynton event, email [doyntonvillage \[at\] live.co.uk](mailto:doyntonvillage[at]live.co.uk).

The Pump will be spending the summer testing the chocolate digestives. See you in September!



The Owl's Nest

Welcome to the news for **July and August**

Please email

wickparishmagazine@outlook.com

with your news items for the September
edition no later than

Wednesday 20th August

Please send copy containing artwork/logos etc as a .png or .jpg file, thank you

We are just about to go on our epic adventure "30 Cathedrals around England on horseback" with William Redeway. I am sure it will be fascinating. Do come along if you like the sound of it - we meet on Thursdays at 7.30 in Wick Village Hall.



If we're not too exhausted after that, we have a river walk planned for the following day.

Future meetings

24 July - A Bristol Murder with Rob Jones

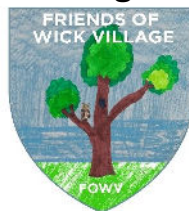


28 August - Birthday celebrations

Did you know that 1924 marked the year WI members sang "Jerusalem" for the very first time. It was specially composed for the WI and adopted because of its links with the suffrage movement. Little did the WI members know that their "performance" at the Annual Meeting in London would start a tradition that continues to this day.

We are always pleased to welcome new members to join our happy and friendly group. If you and/or a friend are interested in joining us or coming to any of the above events you would be most welcome. Please feel free to contact our President, Wendy Haynes, on 07930 851582 for more information

A message from the Friends of Wick Village:



We'd like to say a huge thank you to the members of our community who so kindly opened their garden gates and welcomed us in, for the Friends of Wick Village Garden Gate Trail at the end of May. It was such a fantastic way to bring the community together which, without them, wouldn't have been possible.

Huge thanks also to S.T. Bishops Garden and Estate Machinery, for the generous sponsorship of the programmes which were distributed village wide, within the Parish News. We are truly grateful for the support.

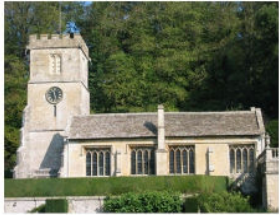
We're delighted to say that funds raised on the day will go to support the following local community groups: The Doynton Memory Cafe, Abson Church, Wick Chapel, Wick Sports Ground and towards future Friends of Wick Village events.

With future events in mind, at the time of this issue going to print we are busy finalising plans for Party in the Park 2025! We'll have a round up of that in the next issue.

Do you remember last month we talked about the **wildflower bank** up by Parker's Avenue? The article said *"The once a year cut by South Gloucestershire Council from the road using a Boom mower, followed by removal of the cuttings, has allowed this area to thrive. As the soil's fertility is reduced the wildflowers will dominate the grasses."*

So WHY have people (who presumably are not the council) been cutting it down? And worse, leaving the cuttings - which means the wildflowers are too smothered to recover, and makes the soil too fertile, meaning more grass grows and more cutting is needed. It is SO sad.

Maybe we need a sign, saying "Please do not cut this grass, it is being managed for wild flowers"? What is the solution?



Dyrham & Hinton Diversions

Women's Institute

On Thursday 12th June Dyrham and Hinton WI ladies enjoyed a relaxing alfresco mindfulness Pilates session in the Orchard opposite the village hall. Local Pilates and Fitness Instructor Sue Webb led members through a range of physical stretching mindful exercises and focusing the mind on breath control to promote relaxation. For further information contact Sue Webb at www.coreandmore.co.uk



Future meetings: (Meetings 2nd Thursday every month 7pm Dyrham & Hinton Village Hall)

- **10th July** – Summer Party @ the Orchard
- **14th August** — Summer walk led by Carolyn



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

Book Club members met up Sunday 16th June at Longwell Green Vue to watch the Salt Path film. Members had previously read this book on the profound true story of husband and wife (Raynor &

Moth) 630-mile trek along the rugged beautiful Cornish/Devon/Dorset coast path and enjoyed the stunning cinematography this film had to offer. Our next read is Trespasses by Louise Kennedy.

We welcome new members; ladies can attend one meeting without any obligations. For further information please contact us at:

dyrhamandhintoncommitteewi@gmail.com

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



Boyd Valley Painting Group

The Boyd Valley painting group consists of a small band of like minded amateur artists who meet once a week at the Dyrham and Hinton village hall on a Thursday morning from 10.00am until 1.00pm.

The group consists of mixed artistic abilities using whichever medium they choose. It is a self help group with advice and encouragement freely given with the collective aim to improve individual standards, therefore creating a sense of achievement for those participants just starting out. The group is run on a "not for profit" principle whereby all members share the modest cost of the hall hire between them.

Have **you** thought that you would like to paint or draw but did not know how to start or were too afraid or embarrassed to share your initial efforts with strangers? Well, you are not unique in harbouring self doubt, we all had those feelings to start with but we were very soon freed from those restrictions by the support, encouragement and guidance of fellow group members.

If you would like to have a go and be part of a friendly group please call Andrew Hedges 0117 9372928 to learn more and register your interest. You will be made to feel most welcome.

Reverend William Langton Charity

The Reverend William Langton Trust is a charity established for the benefit of the residents of the parish of Dyrham & Hinton. The Trust's aims are to:

- Provide assistance with the costs of education for young people under the age of 18 (such as school uniform, books or school trips).
- Provide support to people aged 18 and over to assist with the purchase of tools, clothing or other relevant expenses incurred in support of further studies, training or work-based learning (such as text books, field trips or equipment).

We welcome applications for grants. Please understand that the charity has limited funds and may only be able to provide a contribution towards an application. For an application form or for further information please email angela.dahparishnews@gmail.com.



News from the Chapel

In July we celebrate our 188th birthday. So many dedicated people have come through our Chapel doors, and we still try to keep their memory alive.

The Reverend Meryl White will lead our Anniversary Service which is on 6th July which we will follow with a Buffet Lunch in the schoolroom.

Have you noticed that the Chapel had a “facelift”? Josh has been painstakingly repairing and painting the windows and door surrounds at the front of the Chapel.

During Open Gardens Day in May we helped with teas at the home of Chris and Tina Holbrook and raised £185 for our funds.

On 4th June Doynton and Wick watched the National Federation of Women’s Institute’s Annual General Meeting on Zoom in the sanctuary.

Next on our ‘To Do list’ is the removal of a small amount of asbestos from the boiler room and after that we will think about some form of water heater in the schoolroom.

As most of you will know there is no end to the work needed in an old building

Future events:

We have a book and jigsaw stall at Party in the Park on 28th June

The schoolroom will open its doors to East Bristol Auctions on 30th July from 10.00 until 1.00 for more of your valuations.

We are a small group of dedicated people and would love you to join us any Sunday at 10.30 am. Please give us a try!



News from your Parish Council

Village News for Wick & Abson

www.wickabsonpcgov.uk

- **Parish Clerk email contact:** wickabson_parishcouncil@yahoo.co.uk
- **Community Infrastructure Levy:**
The PC has received £9,368 from South Gloucestershire Council, that is paid by housing developers, and is now considering how to spend this sum on parish and road safety improvements.
- **Brockwell Park:**
By the time you read this, the zip wire support poles’ fixings will have been repaired and the zip wire reinstated for use.
- **Planning:**
P24/01732/PIP: Appeal for application regarding land to the south of High Street/Church Road, Wick – *the PC still objects to this application and attended the appeal hearing on Tuesday 24 June (the PC will publish the decision once announced – Ed).*

P25/01115/F: Hillcrest, Abson Road, Pucklechurch – change of use from barn/forge to domestic dwelling - *no objection.*

P20/11734/F: Willow Brook, Abson Road, Abson – variation of conditions 5 and 6 to allow 10 horses to be kept on site. Change of use from agricultural to mixed keeping horses and agriculture – *objection - overdevelopment of site; proposed horse per acre ratio too high.*
- **Next Parish Council meeting:**
7:15pm Thursday 10th July 2025, Wick Village Hall.

There is no PC meeting in August (except when there is most years – Ed)

More Parish Council news in September.

Wick Football Club



The players are enjoying a much-needed rest before the new season starts, although training and friendlies start soon in preparation. Wick FC will welcome both old and new players, so come along and be part of an ambitious set up.

We would also like to say thank you to all our sponsors from last season and we hope this continues, they include:

Raft Formwork Ltd, Longreach Scaffolding Services, Delta Precast LTD, Summers Photography, Coles Printing, St Bishops & Co, The Carpet Barn, Top of the Pots (Chimney Sweeping Services), Ells Kitchen, Wick Car Sales, Sydenhams, Zumba Gold at Wick Village Hall, Not Just Travel, Victoria Sandwich, Boca Teamwear, Matt's School of Motoring, Wick Service Centre, Bendry Bros, Sarah Sugarcraft, Electrio, Pulse Printing Products, SJ Cook & Sons, Toghill House Farm, South West Pitch-Side Trauma Care, Ashley Rodwell Insurance, Mill Lane Automotive, Wyatt & Ackerman, Optimum Drywall Systems, BSCL, Barrett Homes, Pineview Properties, Warmley Sand and Gravel, Wilsson Signs UK, Lusso Personal Shopping, Swan Inn Hanham, Trev Hariman, Sayserv Ltd, Bristol Carpentry Contractor Ltd, Hall Bros Carpentry Ltd, JBD Plastering, MFLO Plumbing, Parties by Carly (Balloon & Event Décor Specialist), Buildbase, TD Recruitment, Matthews Estate Agencies, Tom Roofer (WMD & SON), Hawkins Insulation, Knighton Contracts Ltd, Lathams Timber, MJ Church, Accurate Roofing, Fruition, Howdens Warmley, Keyplan Engineering Ltd, Tweedy Brothers, Exhibitions & Displays Direct Ltd, Car-Wizard Warmley, Commercial Trading Pallets, Avent Interiors, GS Blinds & Awnings, MB Frames & Brivan Steels Ltd.

Without these companies and individuals help then the club would struggle to run. **A MASSIVE THANK YOU**

Sponsoring Wick FC is a fantastic way of contributing and supporting sport in our community and makes a visible difference as every penny of sponsor money is reinvested in football equipment and facilities for the club. If you would like details of all our sponsorship packages, please contact Matt Davis on 07977 510352.

New Assistant Linesman Needed – Next season, the club will be looking for an assistant linesman for all first team games. There generally is around thirty games a season, this is a paid role and if you are interested, please contact Matt Davis on 07977 510352.

Friendlies Confirmed

1st Team (Kick-Off 3pm, 6:30pm for evening games)
Training will start on Weds 25/06, all welcome

08/07 (Tues) - Away vrs Longwell
12/07 (Sat) - Home vrs Mendip
15/07 (Tues) - Home vrs Bitton
26/07 (Sat) - Home vrs Reserves (Signing Day)
29/07 (Tues) - Away vrs Frys

Reserves (Kick-Off 2pm, 6:30pm for evening games)
Start training on Weds 09/07, all welcome

19/07 (Sat) - Home vrs Bristol Phoenix
26/07 (Sat) - Home vrs 1st Team
02/08 (Sat) - Home vrs Bitton Res
23/08 (Sat) - Away vrs little Stoke
30/08 (Sat) - Away vrs Bristol Wanderers 2pm)

UP THE OWLS!

Wick Sports Ground

Early June saw the sports ground host the 19th annual Bristol Volleyball summer tournament. This highly successful tournament helps to put the sports ground on the map and has teams participating from far and wide. The hire of the sports ground provides much needed funds towards the upkeep and development of the ground. Following the tournament, both pitches have been over seeded, and will now be fertilised and weed control added. No games will be played until early July to allow the new roots to establish.

Work doesn't stop however, as the changing rooms need some refurbishments and we have plans to add an accessible walkway from the clubhouse to the main pitch. So if you fancy lending a hand, then please let us know.

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

Sunday Services July 2025

WORSHIP
—Together



6th July - 3rd Sunday after Trinity

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am **All Together** Sarah and Jane

HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON

10.00am **Holy Communion** Rev Elaine Jones

WICK CHAPEL

10.30 am **Chapel Anniversary** Rev Meryl White

followed by buffet lunch

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am **Holy Communion** Rev Steve Britton

ST JAMES'S ABSON

6.30pm **Evensong** Rev Elaine Jones

13th July - 4th Sunday after Trinity

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am **Holy Communion** Rev Elaine Jones

HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON

10.00am **Café Church**

WICK CHAPEL

9.45 am **Breakfast Club** The Worship Group

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am **Morning Prayer** Omar Beg

20th July - 5th Sunday after Trinity

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am **Morning Worship** Steve Burgess

HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON

10.00am **Holy Communion** Rev Huw Davies

WICK CHAPEL

10.30am **Family Sharing**

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am **Café Church** Rev Elaine Jones

ST JAMES'S ABSON

8.45am **Holy Communion**

Rev Elaine Jones

27th July - 6th Sunday after Trinity

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am **Community Church**

Rev Elaine Jones

ST PETER'S DYRHAM

10.00am **Morning Worship**

Steve Burgess

WICK CHAPEL

10.30am **A visit to the Holy Shed**

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am **Holy Communion**

Rev Lucy Cleland



3rd August - 7th Sunday after Trinity

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am **All Together**

Suzy Britton

HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON

10.00am **Holy Communion**

Rev Huw Davies

WICK CHAPEL

10.30am **Morning Worship**

Antony Jefferies

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am **Holy Communion**

Rev Steve Britton

ST JAMES'S ABSON

6.30pm **Evensong**

Omar Beg



Sunday Services August 2025

3rd August - 7th Sunday after Trinity

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am All Together

Suzy Britton

HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON

10.00am Holy Communion

Rev Huw Davies

WICK CHAPEL

10.30am Morning Worship

Antony Jefferies

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am Holy Communion

Rev Steve Britton

ST JAMES'S ABSON

6.30pm Evensong

Omar Beg

WORSHIP
—Together



10th August - 8th Sunday after Trinity

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am Holy Communion

Rev Huw Davies

HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON

10.00am Café Church

WICK CHAPEL

9.45 am Breakfast Club

Rev Stephen Newell

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am Morning Prayer

Omar Beg



17th August - 9th Sunday after Trinity

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am Morning Worship

Suzy Britton

HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON

10.00am Holy Communion

Rev Christopher Bryan

WICK CHAPEL

10.30am Family Sharing

Agnes King

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am Café Church

Rev Elaine Jones



ST JAMES'S ABSON

8.45am Holy Communion

Rev Christopher Bryan

24th August - 10th Sunday after Trinity

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10am-12 noon Benefice Community Church Rev Elaine Jones
with bring-n-share picnic



WICK CHAPEL

10.30am A visit to the Holy Shed



31st August - 11th Sunday after Trinity

WICK CHAPEL

10.30am Morning Worship

The Worship Group

ST JAMES'S ABSON

10.00am Benefice Holy Communion

Rev Elaine Jones



7th September - 12th Sunday after Trinity

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am All Together

Steve & Cathy

WICK CHAPEL

10.30 am Morning Worship

Antony Jefferies



ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am Holy Communion

Rev Elaine Jones

ST JAMES'S ABSON

6.30pm Evensong

TBC





The first Saturday of each month at Wick Village Hall

Donations are accepted between 8:30am and 9:30am on the day of the event, or between 2pm and 3pm the day before the event (Friday) in Wick Village Hall

Doors open for shopping from 9:30am until 11am

The only cost is your entrance fee!

Adults: £5 each / under 18s are free when accompanied by a paying adult!



Whether you're looking for something specific or just fancy coming along to see what you can find, we believe there's something for everyone at Wick Community Free-Cycle!

Thanks to the large generosity of our local community, every month is different!



Please note, we can no longer take donations of car seats

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

Environment challenge July and August

The Climate and Nature Bill aims to establish legally binding targets for climate and nature, requiring the government to develop a strategy to achieve them:



Key aspects of the Climate and Nature Bill:

- **Legally Binding Targets:** The bill would set clear, legally binding targets for both climate and nature, ensuring government accountability.
- **Integrated Strategy:** The development of a comprehensive strategy to achieve these targets, with a whole-of-government approach.
- **Climate and Nature Assembly:** A citizen's assembly to provide expert advice to the government on developing the strategy.
- **Alignment with International Agreements:** The targets would be aligned with the Paris Agreement (limiting global warming to 1.5°C) and the Global Biodiversity Framework.
- **Emphasis on Nature Recovery:** The bill commits to reversing biodiversity loss by 2030, moving beyond the current Environment Act's goal of halting decline by 2030.
- **Just Transition:** Recognizes the need for a just transition away from fossil fuels, ensuring that changes are fair and equitable for all.
- **Current Status:** The bill has been introduced in Parliament multiple times, including in the 2024-26 session, but it has not yet been passed into law.
- In January 2025, a debate on the bill was concluded without it being passed into law. The bill's progress depends on government action to prioritize and progress it through Parliament.

Are you concerned? You can influence this by writing to OUR MP
Claire Young: Email: claire.young.mp@parliament.uk

Sample letter and more info at:

<https://action.zerohour.uk/write/thornbury-and-yate>

Home mini-pond and wetland project



If you have youngsters or are still young at heart, a home mini-pond and wetland project might be fun this summer. It uses the water from a drain pipe to top up a pond in a container with the overflow going into a leaky container forming the wetland.

The Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust have an excellent leaflet on how to build one. [How to build a mini drainpipe wetland | WWT](#)

Mini-ponds/wetlands slow down rainwater running into drains. They provide a home for many interesting creatures. A mixture of flowering and non-flowering plants will attract Dragonflies, Damselflies plus Bees and Butterflies and usually Frogs and Toads.

"Manic Botanic" online, sells bare-rooted aquatic plants, a good way to stock the mini-pond and wetland and it is interesting watching how they develop.

Wildflowers tend to be smaller than those on plants sold in garden centres. They are however exactly right for bees, butterflies etc as they evolved together.

A mini-pond/wetland project could grow into a cascade of containers using the overflow water from the top of a waterbutt.

Aquatic soil is required rather than garden soil.

'Walter Wildflower'



Church picnic Community Church

24th August

10 am -12 noon

Bring your own picnic basket and blanket, plus, if you can, a little something to share.

We will provide tea, coffee, cold drinks, etc

We'll be in the field behind church, so wear suitable footwear.

Brush up on the rules for rounders, too!



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

The summer is finally here! In July we will think about having some fun with gentle games, maybe even outdoors, like a “Sports Day” from our schooldays. We might even have an Egg and Spoon” race!

In August, we will be celebrating all the things about

may even be some “Egg and Spoon” racing!

The session as always finish with the ever- popular singing followed by The BIG RED BALLOON!

Come along and enjoy the tea, cake and lots of fun!

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‘Summer at The Memory Café’

The Memory Cafe has celebrated its third birthday! We will continue to meet throughout the summer on the first Thursday of the month from 2-4pm at Doynton Village Hall.

In July we are planning some gentle indoor and maybe outdoor games and activities; in August we will be celebrating holidays. All our cafes feature tea/coffee and delicious home made cakes, a warm welcome and lots of activities. We usually end by singing together with Clare and the big red balloon.

Anyone living with dementia or memory loss is welcome to attend with a family member or carer.

The cafe is free to attend, thanks to generous support of local parish councils, organisations and individuals. Recently we have benefitted from generous donations from the Wick Open Gardens day - thanks to all who supported us.

Volunteer Week is over but we are always so grateful to all our volunteers and will celebrate and thank them at an afternoon tea in July.

If you would like any more information about any aspect of the cafe, you can find us on Facebook ‘The Memory Cafe at Doynton’ or text us on 07817 311001.’

Wick Football Club *(cont)*

Assistant Linesman Needed – Next season, the club will be looking for an assistant linesman for all first team games. There generally is around thirty games a season, this is a paid role and if you are interested, please contact Matt Davis on 07977 510352.

Up the OWLS.

Friendlies Confirmed

1st Team (Kick-Off 3pm, 6:30pm for evening games)
Training will start on Weds 25/06, all welcome

08/07 (Tues) - Away vrs Longwell

12/07 (Sat) - Home vrs Mendip

15/07 (Tues) - Home vrs Bitton

26/07 (Sat) - Home vrs Reserves (Signing Day)

29/07 (Tues) - Away vrs Frys

Reserves (Kick-Off 2pm, 6:30pm for evening games)
Start training on Weds 09/07, all welcome

19/07 (Sat) - Home vrs Bristol Phoenix

26/07 (Sat) - Home vrs 1st Team

02/08 (Sat) - Home vrs Bitton Res

23/08 (Sat) - Away vrs little Stoke

30/08 (Sat) - Away vrs Bristol Wanderers 2pm

Wick Sports Ground

With planned summer work under way, Wick Sports Ground have played host to a number of summer events, starting with:

Family Fun Day on Monday 26th May between 2-4pm, with sporting events, BBQ and bar. At the end of May, the ground again hosted Bristol Volleyball's summer tournament. Weather permitting the ground will undergo pitch work, so the pitches will be left to recover for four weeks.

Volunteers are always welcome as there is always work to do, so if you have a little bit of time and energy, and would like to help (however small), please get in touch with Matt Davis on 07977 510352.

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



Worrying about the impact of the proposed new housing? Thinking that our local roads, surgeries, shops and community resources won't cope with an influx of thousands of people? Grieving, or furious, over the potential loss of beautiful Green Belt?

There is still time to contact the Council to let them know your opinion on the Local Plan.

Read what S Glos are saying here:

South Gloucestershire New Local Plan | BETA - South Gloucestershire Council

Comment directly here: [Commenting FAQ.pdf](#)

Look at supporting the work of Save Our Green Spaces S Glos

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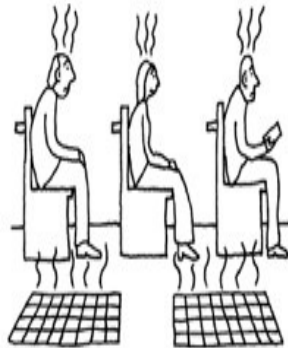
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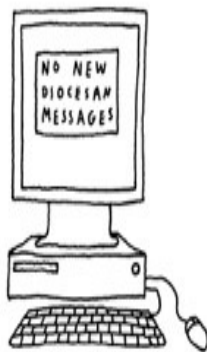
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ROTAS FOR JULY & AUGUST 2025

WICK CHURCH FLOWERS

July 5th/12th Jeannette Bailey
19th/26th Jenny Short
Aug 2nd/9th Monica Mumford
16th/23rd Tina Holbrook
30th/Sept 6th Pat Russell



WICK CHURCH CLEANING

July 5th	Anne Reynolds	Aug 2nd	Jeannette Bailey
12th	Margaret Curtis	9th	Mr & Mrs Fry
19th	Suzy Britton	16th	Cathy Burgess
26th	Sarah Hewitt	23rd	Anne Reynolds
Sept 6th	Jenny Lawrence	30th	Margaret Curtis

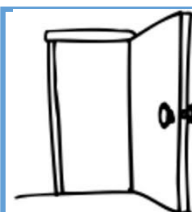


WICK SIDESPERSONS

July 6th	Anne & Nick Reynolds	Aug 3rd	Jenny Lawrence
13th	Colin & Jeannette	10th	Jane and Pam
20th	Steve Butt	17th	Anne & Nick
27th	Mark Hudson	24th	Colin & Jeannette
		31st	Service at Doynton

REFRESHMENTS

July 6th	Sarah & Andy Hewett	Aug 3rd	Steve & Cathy B
13th	Colin & Jeannette	10th	Sarah & Andy Hewett
20th	Anne & Nick Reynolds	17th	Colin & Jeannette
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