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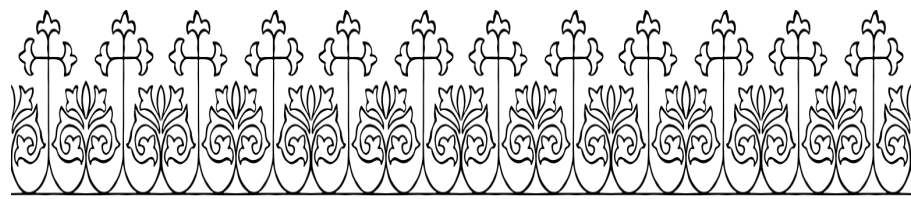


Parish News

Wick, Doynton, Dyrham and Hinton



November 2025



What are you looking forward to?

Summer has passed, autumn drawing in and winter on the horizon, and then 2026 will soon be upon us. I know, it's scary. So, what lies ahead?

Is it remembering those who have fought in wars? At Remembrance Day on 11th November or at church services on 9th November? A solemn occasion, yet inspiring to recall the effort and personal sacrifice made by others for our sake. There are still soldiers doing this today, so we can be grateful for the peace and security we have while not forgetting places of desperate conflict in our world today.

Is it Christmas? Nativity plays, decorations, planning for festive family gatherings, holiday time for children, carol singing and baby Jesus. What do you look forward too at Christmas?

In the church we look forward to celebrating the birth of Jesus; we call the weeks leading up to Christmas Day, Advent, (Before the event). We remember each Sunday the stories found in the Bible which foretell the coming of Jesus, told through the Prophets, thousands of years ago. We remember Mary and Joseph and their perilous journey to Bethlehem for their baby's birth.

Isn't it incredible that more than 2,000 years later, so many of us remember and look forward to the birth of Jesus? I guess it's because he was such an amazing person and he started a movement which changed the world. Change, starting with each individual person joining in. Did you know that you can join in too?

Stephen Burgess, Lay Minister

News from St Bartholomew's

The Quiz Night was fantastic, as always! You missed a treat - but there will be another one in the New Year, so put it in your diaries as soon as you see it! You are GUARANTEED a laughter-filled evening. A big thank you to Sarah and Andy: although we were few, we really enjoyed the whole thing.

The Brownies came and planted lots of bulbs last month, so be prepared to be amazed at the beauty of the churchyard next spring. The native hedgerow at the back of the churchyard should be going in this month, and we very much hope that it will form part of a "Wildlife corridor". Your invitation to help with this is on page 19, with more details. We are thinking about more swift boxes, too - I watched a programme about a street in Leeds where almost **every** house has swift boxes, and they have a massive colony nesting there every spring. The birds are there for about 100 days, then they are off, staying airborne until they come back for another breeding season, which is astonishing! So if you feel the urge to look up, make and donate a swift box, do not stifle it, it will have a good home. <https://www.rspb.org.uk/helping-nature/what-you-can-do/activities/create-a-high-home-for-swifts>

We are coming into the season of Remembrance, and warmly invite you to any of the services around the benefice - details are on the centre pages, as always. Here at St Bartholomew's, we have a "Church Parade" where the youngsters of the Uniformed Organisations present their colours, and take part in the service, which is always very good to see; the younger generations Will Not Forget the sacrifices made on our behalf. We also have the Last Post and Reveille played and recorded for us by a member of our congregation, an ex-serviceman, which is always very moving. We also pay tribute to our War Grave with a small but heartfelt ceremony at the graveside. You would be most welcome.

And then we turn our attention to Christmas - we have a variety of services planned, but I especially recommend our **Christmas Eve** Crib Service. It is in the afternoon, and adults and children alike dress up as their favourite character in the Nativity story. It is informal, usually slightly chaotic, enormous fun, and absolutely beautiful.

Doynton Parish Pump

Barbara Kent writes: What has happened to community spirit? It is on the decline, as shown by the very poor support for the barn dance proposed to raise funds for the community orchard and Summers Field, where ticket sales were too low to make the event viable, let alone productive, and led to its cancellation. *[Playing Field quiz scheduled for 15 November has also been cancelled – Ed.]* Life in Doynton benefits from its facilities – the playing field and children's play area, the village hall, Summers Field and the community orchard and the Church. All of these are kept solvent and run by volunteers, and offers to join the committees are welcome and necessary. They should not be taken, thoughtlessly, for granted. Spirits are available at the much regarded Cross House: community spirit is less visible. Think about it. Take part. Don't just live in the village.

Doynton Playing Field: the fund-raising event on Saturday November 15th is **cancelled**: a date for an event in Spring/Summer 2026 will be advised in due course.

Holy Trinity church: the heating in our church has broken down and the Parochial Church Council has decided to replace it with a more ecofriendly electric system. After much deliberation, advice and visiting churches that had examples of the system we were considering, we have chosen to go ahead with the “halo heating” system *[How appropriate – Ed.]*. This takes the form of rings of heaters suspended from the roof, and should heat up the church in just one hour. We would need up to six heaters through the centre of the church. If you would like to know more, talk to Ben Stokes, Sue Roe, Lorna Grey, Chris Sherman or Elizabeth Copping.

Doynton Village Market: November 1st and 15th (NB no market 29th) and December 6th, 10.00–11.00 a.m. in the village hall. Home-made crafts, home grown local veg, fruit, plants and flowers. Home baked cakes, desserts, savoury pies, sausage rolls including gluten-free and dairy-free produce. Jams, chutneys and pickles from our bumper harvests this year, local apple juice and eggs, fresh meat, heritage pork and sausages. (Sadly, we are again unable to order Christmas turkeys this year.) Also available at the market: greetings cards, children's clothes, blankets and adults' scarves and gloves, “tranquillity” soy wax melting bars, felt animal families, seasonal decorations, paintings and illustrations. Light refreshments served throughout the market – coffee/tea and cakes/biscuits. Please come along to stock up your larders and prepare for Christmas, then sit down with refreshments, chat and relax. Tel/message: 07711 670704,

Facebook : “Doynton Village Market” To order goods, please tel./message before midday on the Wednesday before the market. Hope to see you there!

Doynton and Wick WI: a treat for murder mystery lovers in October, when retired detective Rob Jones presented members with a murder case to solve. A young mother has been savagely killed, but her estranged husband, the main suspect, has a solid alibi: what can the police do? Members made good use of all those evenings spent watching Inspector Morse, and in the end the police got their man. The November meeting is the AGM when the new President and committee will be elected, with home-grown games to follow. Our meeting is at Doynton village hall on Wednesday November 5th, 7.30 p.m.

The Memory Café at Doynton will meet on Thursday November 6th, 2-4 p.m., at Doynton village hall, for indoor games and bingo. 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 the generous support of local parish councils, organizations and individuals. Thanks also to our dedicated volunteers! You can find us on Facebook “The Memory Cafe at Doynton” or text us on 07817 311001.

Doynton Parish Council will meet in the village hall on Tuesday November 18th, 7.00 p.m. – all welcome.

Don't forget the **Warm Wednesdays community café** in the village hall, every week between 10.30 a.m. and 12 noon. Colder weather is coming soon, you will need that hot chocolate!

There's still time to collect seeds etc. for the next **seed swap and plant sale**, which will take place on **March 14th 2026** in Doynton village hall. The event will include not just seeds, but also seedlings, bulbs, tubers, flowers, herbs, etc., as well as garden equipment for you to take in exchange for a donation to charity (tools/garden equipment, garden ornaments, ceramic pots or plastic pots (large ones only) gardening books, magazines, bird tables, bird houses or feeders, hanging baskets, etc. All in good working order please). Please save your seeds and unused/partially used seed packets and pot up spare plants and seedlings over the next few months.

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



The Owl's Nest

Welcome to the news for **November**

Please email

wickparishmagazine@outlook.com

with your news items for the **December/**

January DOUBLE edition

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

Anthea Watts writes:

Unfortunately our speaker for last month had to cancel due to illness, but Lynda Stone very kindly stepped in at the last minute. She brought along a collection of greetings cards and told us stories behind them which our members enjoyed.



Some members went to the cinema on Friday 10 October and enjoyed Downton Abbey The Grand Finale.

Future meetings

27 November - Talk about Queen Victoria and Prince Albert by Susan Symonds

18 December - Christmas celebrations

Forthcoming events

Our Christmas meal this year will be at Kendleshire Golf Club on Wednesday 3 December, which we look forward to.

The Federation Christmas carol service will be in Thornbury this year on Tuesday 16 September. Four of our members will be accompanying the choir on their ukuleles for one carol.

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.



Planting day at St Bartholomew's church

The date for this is now confirmed as Saturday 8th November. We'll get together around 10.00, have a cuppa tea and a discussion, and then get stuck in!

You are warmly invited to join in the efforts: wear stout boots, and please bring your own spade and/or trowel. Hopefully, we will be done by lunchtime, if enough people arrive. (Might be an idea to bring a packed lunch, though, just in case!)

I would very much like to acknowledge all the volunteer support this project has had, and have in mind a board, like you see at beauty spots or monuments, outlining the plan, hopes for the future, what to spot in the new hedgerow, the support we've had from the local authorities and volunteers etc. Any info, ideas or help you could suggest towards this would be very gratefully received.

For more information about native hedgerows, see the Woodland Trust website:

<https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/support-us/act/your-school/green-tree-schools-award/be-a-hedgerow-hero/>

MacMillan Coffee Morning

The news reached us too late for last month's edition, but Ruth Alvis and her team were very pleased to discover that they had raised £1056!

This was the best result they've ever achieved, so well done everyone, and a big Thank You to all involved!





Dyrham & Hinton Diversions

Women's Institute

For our October meeting Richard Rickitt, one of the UK's best-known beekeepers and co-editor of BeeCraft magazine, captivated members from start to finish with his fascinating talk on gardening for Bees. His informative talk made us think about how we can help save the bee species by creating a pollinator oasis in our gardens or window boxes and planting blue and purple species of flowers to attract bees. Early snowdrops, mahonia, hellebores and crocuses are a good nectar spring source for queen bees to establish a nest. Richard highlighted that our bee pollinators are in peril; bumblebees, solitary bees and honeybees are all under threat from the modern-day onslaught of pesticides, habitat loss, and intensive agriculture. Yet between them, the almost 300-species of UK bee, along with other pollinators, are responsible for more than a third of everything we eat. The infiltration of imported fake honey has impacted the decline of UK beekeeping and the bee population due to fewer hives being financially viable to maintain. As individuals we can make a difference; letting some areas grow wild, buying locally sourced honey and asking our local councils to grow more bee friendly plants and trees. FFI contact <https://speakernet.co.uk/talk/3275/a-buzz-in-the-garden-gardening-for-bees>



Please join us for a Charity Coffee Morning Saturday 1st November 10:00-12:00 hrs Dyrham and Hinton Village Hall raising money for Southmead Hospital and Macmillan Cancer Support.

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

- **13th November:** Christmas Crafty evening led by our in-house talent Debbie
- **11th December:** Christmas Meal – The Cross House Doynton

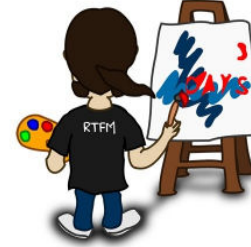
Dyrham & Hinton WI Book Club (Read Between the Wines):



Members met up on Wednesday 16th October to discuss the Glassmaker by Tracey Chevalier. This historical novel follows the fortunes of a family of Venetian glassmakers over the course of several centuries. Our next read is Friends of Dorothy by Sandi Toksvig.

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

dyrhamandhintoncommitteewi@gmail.com



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 mornings 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

If you would like to add or improve your skill or just be part of a friendly group please call Andrew Hedges 01179372928 to learn more and register your interest.

Classes will run until the 2nd of December with a break for Christmas and resume on the 6th January.



St Peter's Church, Dyrham - Upcoming Events

We have various events to look forward to this Autumn at the church. The poppy display has once again been put up in the church and will be there until 12th November to remember the Fallen.

From 21st December, Dyrham Park will be starting their Christmas celebrations with choirs performing in the church at the weekends. Come to see some village residents singing as part of Bristol Voices Community Choir on the afternoon of 30th November.



Thanks to all the residents who came along to support the church clean up on 19th October. It's great to see the community getting involved. We're continuing to raise money and seek grants to complete the repairs on the church roof. We'd welcome any help to raise this money to preserve the oldest building in the Parish - get in touch if you want to be involved.

Peter Highway, Church Warden stpetersdyrham@gmail.com

Carols Around the Tree - Date for Your Diary

Friday 19th December 7:00pm Carols around the tree at Dyrham & Hinton Village Hall. Everyone welcome. Further details in next months magazine.



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

News from the Chapel

We celebrated Harvest Thanksgiving on 5th October. During the service we sang the good old harvest hymns accompanied by Peter Blackwood on the piano and sang from a hymn book. It was a refreshing change. The service was followed by seasonal refreshments.

Our Remembrance service will be held on Sunday 9th November at 10.30. We will remember those from our villages who lost their lives in the great wars when we lay a wreath on the War Memorial. Please join us as we must never forget the great sacrifice made by so many.

The third Sunday of each month is called a Family Sharing Sunday. Linda usually leads this service which is always relevant to events happening at that moment in time. The service lasts for half an hour and then we join for refreshments in the schoolroom. Please come along and see what you think.

We have booked a stall at the FOWV event on 21st November. See you there!

The next date in our diary is the Christmas Sale on Saturday 29th November from 2.30 pm. Stalls will include cakes, bottles, chocolate, bric-a-brac, toys, books and jigsaws, raffle and refreshments. This is our main fundraiser and your support, as always, is much appreciated.

Our next expense will be the removal of asbestos from the boiler house, a fence at the top of the slope to the ditch at the bottom of the garden as the soil is eroding and external repairs/painting to the large window in the sanctuary. The jobs never stop!

Hope to see you at one of our events.



News from your Parish Council

Village News for Wick & Abson

www.wickabsonpcgov.uk

- Parish Clerk email contact: wickabson_parishcouncil@yahoo.co.uk
- **Wick Community Speedwatch:** Wick Community Speedwatch has launched. The volunteer speed monitors will be targeting Church Road, High Street and Naishcombe Hill where the data indicates over 70% of drivers exceed the 30mph limit.
- **A420 Speed Reduction Project:** Led by Cllr James Baron, the PC is currently assessing the best purchase options and locations for vehicle activated signs that indicate speed.
- **Brockwell Park:** The equipment in the play area is approaching the end of its life. The PC is assessing the options for a full revamp of the play area and welcomes ideas from residents. Please email the Parish Clerk with your ideas.
- **Wick Sports Ground:** By the time you read this, the WSG application to open the clubhouse and supply alcohol to members 7 days a week will have been decided by SGC. *(More on that next month – Ed.)*
- **Wick Village Hall:** The PC and Hall Committee continue to invest in the hall. New safety nosings have been fitted to the external concrete steps to the 1st floor. A grit bin has been ordered for the car park.
- **Grants:** Men's Shed £1230 seed funding for insurance and safety kit.
- **Planning:**
P25/012296/HH 70 Milford Avenue, Wick: 1st floor side extension and 2 storey side extension – *No objection.*
P25/02301/HH 72 Milford Avenue, Wick: demolish existing garage and erect new detached garage – *no objection.*
- **Next Parish Council meeting:**
7:15pm Thursday 13th November 2025, Wick Village Hall.

Wick Football Club

Whilst the first team have yet to find their form of last year, it is encouraging to see the improvement over the last few games.

The lads would appreciate as much support as it can get, so let's drum up as much village support as we can. Meanwhile the reserves, vets and Sunday sides are all flying, so more silverware is expected this season.

If you fancy watching a game, the clubhouse is open from 1pm on match-days selling hot/cold drinks, rolls and hot Cornish pasties. Wick training sessions throughout the season are held on Wednesday evenings, if you interested in joining the club, please email wickfc@hotmail.co.uk.

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 – This 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.**

Wick Sports Ground

As summer gives way to Autumn and Winter, and the grass can become wet and muddy, WSG has now added a concrete walkway from the clubhouse to and part way around both pitches. Therefore no matter what the weather spectators including the less able, have a safe pitch-side access to watch games, after which a warm welcoming clubhouse awaits. Our last Friday in the month social opening evenings have proved a great success, so if you haven't been why not pop along and see for yourself. WSG welcomes all offers of help and support.

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



November Fixtures

First team (KO 3pm in Oct, 2pm in Nov) MGCL

1/11	A	Henbury & Rockleaze
8/11	H	Chalford
22/11	A	Totterdown Utd
29/11	H	Frampton (LJLG QF)

Reserves (KO 2pm) B&D Div 3

1/11	A	Bristol Boys Reserves
15/11	H	Winterbourne Utd Reserves (League Cup)

Sunday Team (KO 10.30am) Bristol Premier Sunday

2nd	H	Henbury & Rockleaze
9th	H	Hambrook Sunday
16th	H	Southmead Sunday
23rd	A	Sporting Utd
30th	A	Henbury & Rockleaze

Vets (KO 10.30am)

Over 45s Div 1

14 Dec	A	Red Star Bristol 45s
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Over 50's

9/11	H	Henleaze Bash
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News from the Friends of Wick Village



The Friends of Wick Village are looking for a child from the local community to switch on the village Christmas lights on Friday 21st November 2025.

To enter the draw, answer the Christmas related questions below and unscramble the word made up of the highlighted letters.

Email that word, along with your child's name and age to
Fowv2024@gmail.com.

What colour is Santa's suit? _ _ _ _

What animals pull Santa's sleigh? _ _ _ _

What is the name of the green character who tries to steal Christmas?

_ _ _ _

What is the name of the snowman in Frozen? _ _ _ _

Which vegetable is often used to make a snowman's nose? _ _ _ _

What do the Elves help make in Santa's workshop? _ _ _ _

Clue: Shimmering strands used to decorate the Christmas tree.

The winner will be selected at random and announced on the Friends of Wick Village Facebook page on 14th November, so be sure to follow the page and have your entry in by then.

All entrants must be under the age of 16 and available on the evening of 21st November. Good luck!

How to be a wildlife hero?

Grow UK wildflowers in your garden. They are super-powered plants. They are perfect for the UK climate. They are tough, easy to care for and do not require rich soil.

Annuals grow quickly from seed, flower brilliantly, produce new seeds and then die, all in one year.



1 Common poppy [red]

2 Cornflower [blue]

Perennials last for years.



3 Oxeye daisy [white/yellow]

4 Red campion [deep pink]

5 Bird's-foot-trefoil [yellow]

6 Common knapweed [purple/pink]

7 Primrose [pale yellow]

8 Cowslip [deep yellow]

Biennials flower in the second year, then die



9 Foxglove [purple]

10 Viper's buglos [blue/purple]

Be heroic in 2026.

Walter Wildflower

Sunday Services November 2025

2nd November - 4th Sunday before Advent

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am All Together

Sarah and Jane

ST PETER'S DYRHAM

10.00am Holy Communion

Rev Lucy Cleland

WICK CHAPEL

10.30am Morning Worship

Rev Steve Britton

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am Holy Communion

Rev Elaine Jones

3.00pm All Souls

Rev Richard Westacott

ST JAMES'S ABSON

3.30pm* Evensong

Rev Elaine Jones

9th November - Remembrance Sunday

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.15am* Remembrance

Rev Elaine Jones

HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON

10.00am Café Church Remembrance

ST PETER'S DYRHAM

10.45am* Remembrance

Rev Huw Davies

WICK CHAPEL

10.30am Remembrance

Worship Group

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.30am* Remembrance

Omar Beg

16th November - 2nd Sunday before Advent

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am Morning Prayer

Steve Burgess

ST PETER'S DYRHAM

10.00am Holy Communion

Rev

Huw Davies

WICK CHAPEL

10.00am Family Sharing



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Together



ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am Café Church

Rev Elaine Jones

ST JAMES'S ABSON

8.45am Holy Communion

Rev Huw Davies



23rd November - Christ the King/Sunday next before Advent

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am Community Church

Jane Gillis

HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON

10.00am Morning Worship

Elaine Jones

Rev

WICK CHAPEL

10.30am A visit to the Holy Shed

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am Morning Prayer

Steve Burgess

30th November - Advent Sunday

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am Benefice Holy Communion

Rev Elaine Jones

WICK CHAPEL

10.30am Morning Worship

Antony Jefferies



7th December - 2nd Sunday of Advent

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am All Together

Steve & Cathy Burgess

ST PETER'S DYRHAM

10.00am Holy Communion

Rev Elaine Jones

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am Holy Communion

Rev Huw Davies

ST JAMES'S ABSON

3.30pm Evensong

Rev Elaine Jones



*NB Different start times





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

November Environment Challenge

St Bartholomew's Church has been engaged in activities to improve the environment by:

1. Reducing our carbon foot print: we've changed the heating in the church room from Gas to renewable electricity. Come and see.
2. Improving the environment and biodiversity in the church land. Making it more beautiful too.

Already done: Bird boxes, Bat Boxes, New Fruit trees planted, spring flowering bulbs planted, compost bins.

We plan to do more, but with your help.

The church belongs to us all, the Wick and surrounding area community, not just those who attend church.

So come and join in, participate, be involved

Saturday November 8th from 10am.

Plant a woodland hedge on the back fence line, and plant more bulbs. Bring a spade and trowel.

Refreshments provided and/ or bring a pack lunch

Wednesday 26th November from 2pm.

With school children. To plant a wild flower meadow. Bring a trowel.

Marshfield Gardening Club – Join Us!

If you love gardening, or simply enjoy being around plants and like-minded people - come along to the **Marshfield Gardening Club**.



“Planting Pots for Winter Interest and Spring Joy”

Tuesday 4th November 2025

Harriet Rycroft was the head gardener at Whichford Pottery for many years, becoming well-known for creating spectacular container displays all year round. She lectures, teaches and writes about container planting and her work has been featured on Gardeners World. Harriet will be demonstrating and talking about how to produce spectacular container displays and will be bringing her latest book "Pots" for purchase on the evening.

SPEAKERS LIST FOR 2025-2026 SEASON

DEC 2nd 2025	Maureen Hinton 'Victorian and Traditional Christmas'
JAN 2026	No meeting
FEB 3RD 2026	Caroline Sheldrick 'A Year in the Cutting'
MARCH 3RD 2026	Alex Hubbard 'Dyrham House'
APRIL 7TH 2026	Francis Burroughes 'The Historic Front Garden'
MAY 5TH 2026	John Tucker 'Reach for the Sky, Getting the best from your Climbers'

We're a friendly and welcoming group that meets on the **first Tuesday of the month** at **7.45pm** in **Marshfield Church Hall**.

Wick CE Primary School Tours!



Will your child be starting primary school
in September 2026?
If so, please take the opportunity to attend one of our
tours:

Tuesday 23rd September 9am
Wednesday 15th October 9am
Wednesday 5th November 9am
Saturday 8th November 10-11am
Thursday 20th November 9am
Tuesday 2nd December 9am
Wednesday 7th January 9am

During the tours, there will be an opportunity to hear about what Wick CE Primary has to offer and to ask any questions.

On Saturday 8th November, your child can 'stay and play' with our reception team in the classroom whilst you tour the school. We look forward to seeing you!

To book a place please email parents@wickprimary.org.uk
giving your preferred date.

Visit our website at: www.wickprimaryschool.co.uk



Marshfield
Wick
Pucklechurch
Bristol

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

In November, we are having a “relaxed “session with many of our usual activities and a game or two of bingo!

December will bring its usual Christmas themed session with festive food refreshments, craft activities and a carol sing along with the ukulele group

The sessions will always finish with the ever-popular singing songs from yesteryear and the **BIG RED BALLOON!**

Come along and enjoy the fun!



The Memory Cafe at Doynton

At our October cafe we enjoyed the young voices of the choir of Emerson’s Green Primary School who performed beautifully for us and enabled us to join in with an uplifting song to finish their performance. Thank you so much to the pupils and teachers who made this possible.

We also celebrated Harvest and the bounty and colours of Autumn and our visitors all went home with a little pot of honey prepared for them by a family member of one of our regular visitors.

On Thursday 6th November we will enjoy a few games of Bingo, some other games and puzzles, wordsearch, art and craft and some singing too - a quieter cafe but giving everyone the chance to talk and mingle. We will have our fiction lending library available, our own Christmas cards on sale and occasion cards made by U3A members at a bargain price.

Our December cafe will have a festive theme reflected in food, singing and arts and crafts and of course the performance by The Strummers Ukelele band. The date is Thursday 4th December and will mark the end of a busy year at The Memory Cafe.

Plans are of course underway for our cafes next year and as ever we are thankful for the support of so many in our community who support us in different ways and keep us going!

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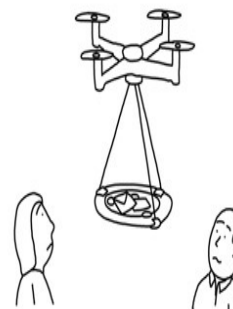
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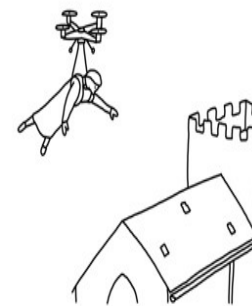


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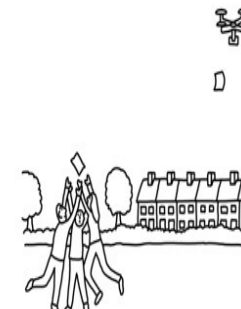
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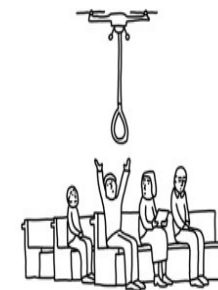
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ROTAS November 2025

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15th - 22nd	Jeannette Bailey
29th - 12/6	Anne Reynolds
Dec 13, 20 & 27	Tina Holbrook



WICK CHURCH CLEANING

1st	Anne Reynolds
8th	Margaret Curtis
15th	Suzy Britton
22nd	Monica and Barbara
29th	Sue Butt
Dec 6th	Sarah Hewett



WICK SIDESPERSONS

2nd	Jenny Lawrence
9th	Jane Brookman
16th	Anne & Nick Reynolds
23rd	Steve Butt
Dec 7th	Mark Hudson



REFRESHMENTS

2nd	Anne & Nick Reynolds
9th	Tina Holbrook
16th	Steve & Cathy Burgess
23rd	Sarah & Andy Hewett
30th	Colin & Jeannette Bailey

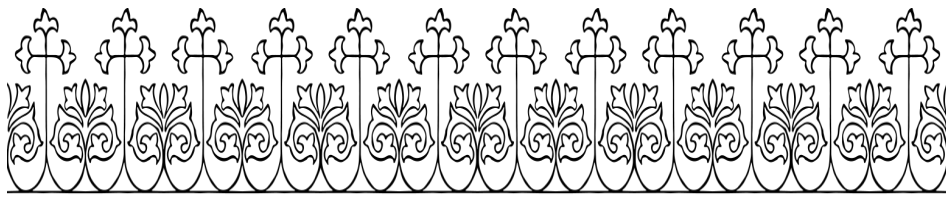


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