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Ian Stewart

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Editorial

There is a full page dedicated to the Village Fayre - page 13 - so, I'm not going to go on about it here. But, I have to say, it was one of the best events I have ever been to, and I hope that everyone that came and supported it, also enjoyed themselves.

There are a lot of events happening over the next few weeks and months. The annual Fete at North Perrott Cricket Club is on Sunday 28th June, see page 34. There are fundraising quizzes and other activities, which we will endeavour to include in this publication. Events at North Down Cider Barn on the A30 will be in the Events section at the back of this publication from this month. Hoskyns Memorial Hall has it's own page and is doing a brilliant job providing community activities in the area.

So, I hope you see events you like the look off and can enjoy.

The crossword is back on page 4.

Ian Stewart

Bad rainbows go to prism.



It's a light sentence but it gives them time to reflect.

New Arrivals - North Perrott

If you are a new resident in North Perrott you might like a copy of the Parish Council's Village Welcome Pack.

Let us know by emailing: northperrottville@gmail.com or ring/text Helena Sturridge on 07802 964949

ACROSS

- 1 Military quarters (8)
 5 Rough cider (7)
 10 Taste (7)
 11 Legal complainant (9)
 13 ___ Waugh, author (6)
 15 Small peas (6,4)
 18 Wildebeest (3)
 19 Bicycle part (5)
 20 Bother, trouble (3)
 23 Punctuation mark (10)
 24 Entertained (6)
 26 Defile (9)

28 Be subjected to (7)

30 Stuck (7)

31 Coupons (8)

DOWN

- 1 Refreshment bar (6)
 2 Sea inlet (3)
 3 Advice-giver (5,4)
 4 *Star Trek* captain (4)
 6 Collarbone (8)
 7 Ashes holder (3)
 8 Toxic (9)
 9 Data program (11)

12 Aquatic

creatures (4)

14 Rapt, absorbed (9)

16 Intermittent (9)

17 Modern (2,2,4)

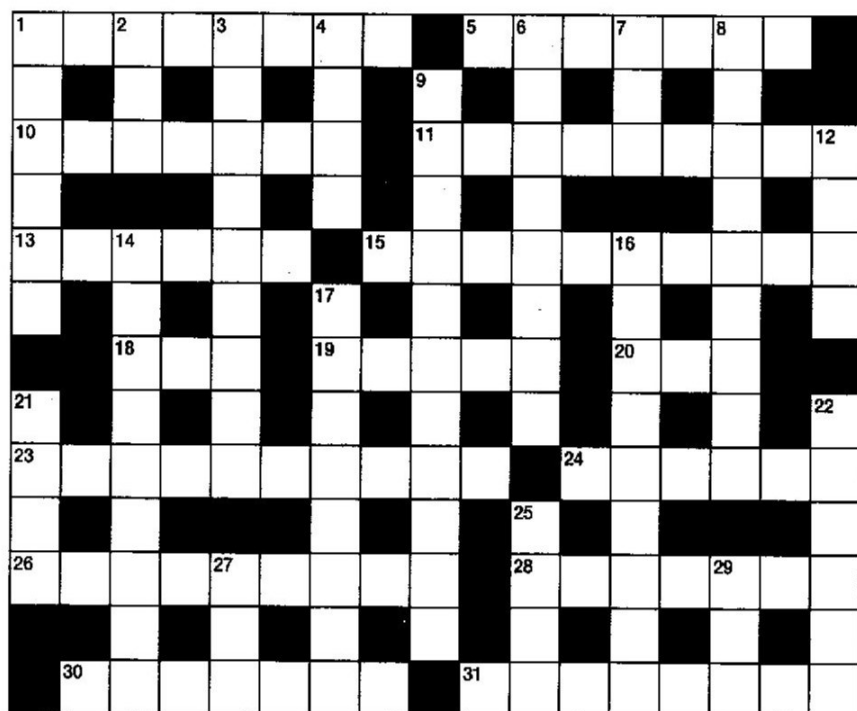
21 Loot (4)

22 Accessories (3-3)

25 Currency unit (4)

27 Snooker item (3)

29 Distiller's grain (3)



Haselbury Plucknett Women's Institute
Registered Charity no 227699 - Your local WI

Haselbury Plucknett WI meet on the first Wednesday of each month in the church of St Michael and All Angels in Haselbury at 7.30pm during the summer months from April 2026 to September 2026.

Our last meeting on 6th May was our AGM where Gill Woods stood down as our secretary after standing in for the last year. Our new secretary is Anne Allen, we are very pleased that she has taken on the role supporting me as President for the next year. Many thanks to Gill who's been brilliant at keeping it all together after Barbara left and after some difficult times personally.

The village fair was a great success for our stall - selling traditional Jams, chutneys sweets and a few bits for the children. The weather was great following the disappointing last two years and it was nice to see so many people enjoying the sunshine and staying on until the end.

Our June meeting on 3rd is an open meeting so friends and partners are welcome to join us - our speaker will be Sally Smith a BBC journalist with her presentation about "The women who went round the world" so should be a very interesting evening and along with tea and coffee, there will be a bar to keep you lubricated.

On Saturday 19th September we will be holding a fundraising bingo evening in North Perrott Village Hall with great prizes and a raffle so put it in your diaries - more details to be confirmed a bit nearer the time-tickets will be available from the farm shop from mid August

Our programme will be on the North Perrott village hall website if you would like find out more of what we will up to this year. There are some great speakers and we are a very friendly small group so think about joining us. Just turn up for tea, biscuits and a friendly chat.

You don't have to live in Haselbury to join and if you are new to the area (Haselbury, North Perrott and beyond) being a member of Haselbury Plucknett WI gives you an opportunity to enjoy yourself and make new friends. Our W.I has a page on the North Perrott Village Hall website (www.NPVH.co.uk) where you can see our current programme of events for the rest of this year and a gallery showing what our ladies

get up to.

Contact Lesley Idle 07732 030279 or Anne Allen 07484 789470 with any queries

(During the winter months October to March we will meet in the afternoons 2.30-4.30)

Celebrating Learning and Community at Haselbury Plucknett School

There has been much to celebrate at Haselbury Plucknett School, as pupils continue to thrive through a rich programme of learning, enrichment and community involvement.

Recent weeks have been filled with memorable experiences for children of all ages. One particular highlight has been the Year 4 residential visit to Kilve Court, where pupils embraced new challenges with enthusiasm and resilience. Staff at the centre were full of praise for the children's teamwork, behaviour and positive attitude—an achievement the school community is rightly proud of.

Younger pupils have also enjoyed inspiring opportunities, including an interactive concert with the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra. The children responded with great enthusiasm, gaining a wonderful introduction to live music and experiencing the joy that cultural enrichment can bring.

Outdoor learning has remained a key strength, with the whole school enjoying a recent trip to Ham Hill. This provided a chance for pupils to explore local history through the Roman Empire while benefiting from time in nature—bringing learning vividly to life beyond the classroom. The school's strong sense of community has been particularly evident through taking part in events such as the recent Village Fayre. Families, staff and pupils came together with the wider village community to enjoy a sunny day while raising valuable funds to support the school and church. It was especially heartening to see children actively involved, demonstrating a real sense of pride and contribution in giving back to their school and village community. Thank you to all who showed their support in making this such a successful experience.

Across the school, pupils continue to show resilience, curiosity and kindness in their daily learning. Visitors to the school have commented on the “vibrancy and vitality” of the children, as well as their thoughtful engagement and respect for others—qualities that reflect the school's nurturing ethos. As the summer term progresses, pupils also look ahead to new experiences, including enrichment visits designed to broaden horizons and spark ambition. Meanwhile, Year 6 pupils have approached their SATs with determination and positivity, embodying the school's commitment to doing their very best.

Haselbury Plucknett School continues to be a place where children learn, grow and flourish—supported by a strong partnership between families, staff and the wider village community. Thank you for continuing to support the children of our community to shine brightly.

Lois Bowery
Executive Headteacher

NORTH PERROTT & HASELBURY PLUCKNETT GARDEN CLUB

Our May meeting was well attended as we enjoyed a demonstration on the care and cultivation of Cacti. We also had the opportunity to buy at the end of the demonstration.

Our next scheduled meeting in the village hall will be held on June 16 on the Care and Cultivation of Orchids by Howard Burnett.

We welcome new members. We have some very interesting speakers booked throughout the year and it's a good way to pick up new ideas and tips for your garden from established gardeners.

Membership £12:00 per annum. Guests £2.50 (which will be refunded if you choose to join the club). Plus membership benefits.

Meetings are **usually** held on **3rd Tuesday of the month at North Perrott Village Hall, Middle Street, North Perrott**, except in December which will be the 2nd Tuesday in December.

The hall opens at 7pm for 7:30pm start.

If you are interested in joining our club, please contact:

Ian Benfield. Chairman 01460 929027

Barbara Spence. Treasurer 01460 73847

Christine Bentley. Secretary 07788 316984

ROLL UP for a ROLL UP

South Perrott Short Mat Bowls Club is happy to welcome new members. The club meets on Mondays from 7.00 p.m. to 9.00p.m. in South Perrott village hall DT8 3HS. Each session cost is only £2 per person which includes light refreshments, free use of club bowls and initial coaching if required. For more information please contact our secretary Doreen on 01935 891431.

North Perrott Village Hall – Chairman's Report

Another month has flown by with a Quiz, Music Night and Games Night. Don't forget to get your photos in for the Competition, entries will be exhibited at the Afternoon Tea on Saturday 6th June. Categories for the competition are:

Local Village Scenes, Nature, Pets, Funniest photo.

We are still running Coffee Morning every Monday, except Bank Holidays, so come along, there is always lively chatter.

Future events we are planning in the Village Hall include the Craft Fair in October, a Disco in the Autumn and Christmas Dinner in December.

Pip Oxenbury

Chairman, Village Hall Committee

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The Haselbury Plucknett Charities

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Can we help?

The Haselbury Charities are three old charities set up to support those in the parish in particular need. Although our annual income is small, we try to help wherever we can. In these times of increased costs of living you might find yourself struggling with heating/electric bills. If you live in Haselbury and find yourself in difficulty, ask us. We may be able to help.

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North Perrott School – “On the night of 23-24 August, the Manor House caught it”

By the night of 23rd August 1940, the Battle of Britain was raging. Nazi Germany was accelerating its plan to secure air superiority of Great Britain and intensifying night bombing to destroy aircraft production and supply.

Bad weather had largely grounded day operations, but the Luftwaffe used accurate radio beams to find their night targets with skilled ‘Pathfinder’ crews illuminating them in advance with fires and flares. The targets that night included the Bristol Aeroplane Company factory at Filton and docks at Bristol and Avonmouth. The outward route carried them above Cherbourg, Portland Bill, North Perrott and Yeovil.

The book ‘North Perrott Remembered’ by Leslie Parkman recounts one aircraft dropping its bombs, straddling Perrott Hill School. Seventeen fell in a line, tearing up lawns and balustrades, removing many roof tiles, collapsing ceilings and splitting doors, shattering window glass that embedded itself like knives in the walls and shredded bedding and upholstery. Ankle deep rubble and garden debris lay across the house and the conservatory was destroyed.

Somehow, no one was killed. It was the school holidays, and only the local Grundy family and nine boys evacuated away from their bombed-out homes were resident.

Most were sleeping in the cellar when the bombs hit. Mr Grundy picked up a shrapnel injury and Crewkerne Hospital treated him as their first ‘war casualty’ the next day.

Naturally the village speculated whether the school was a deliberate target. Current evidence suggests not, with the bombs likely dumped indiscriminately by an aircraft suffering mechanical, communication or navigational issues and seeking home. That night the raid sought high-value targets, while flying practically blind above dense cloud. Relying on instruments and navigation systems to even find the intended locations, North Perrott would have slipped invisibly and quickly beneath their wings.

No bombs fell on the village school before this night and never did again.

The Luftwaffe targeted Bristol, Weymouth, Portland docks and Bristol railway station the night before. For two nights afterwards, they focused on Birmingham. The Battle of Britain would shortly become the Blitz.

With the house rubble being used to fill the big craters and the copious bomb shrapnel buried in the orchards, the school focused on being ready for the new term. All essential repairs were completed and without a single school day being lost.

Nick

Haselbury Plucknett Chairs Chat – June 2026

Hello all

First, I would like to thank all the people involved in the organisation of the Village Fair – I know how hard and time consuming it is to get these events off the ground – congratulations and huge thanks to all. And well done for picking a day when the sun came out as well.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all the people who gave up their time to help with the Village litter pick – its amazing just how much litter is collected when we have these events.

We have had confirmation that the drainage work to help alleviate the flooding at the junction with North Street band the A30 will happen this year, and we also have had confirmation that the advisory signage that Swan Hill and Puddletown are unsuitable for HGV's is in the budget for this year.

I continue to attend the action group apposed to the outline planning application for the 325 houses opposite the station in Misterton and Crewkerne. We are wating for the revised draft plans to be made public. We are monitoring the increase in traffic as a result of the traffic lights on the Misterton / Crewkerne road for the Wool Gardens estate. I will keep you up to date with developments.

Thanks and regards

Hugh Williams

Did you hear about the two magnets that were dating?
They were attracted to each other



Haselbury Wildlife and Habitats Group

By the time you read this it will be nearly midsummer and I, for one, am not ready. There seems to be a lot to do at this time of the year. Even though my garden is wildlife friendly it would appear that it is no less time consuming. I have continued to feed the birds, using very clean feeders and changing the water in the bird baths daily. I only feed sunflower hearts at this time of year as it sustains parent birds but they don't tend to give the hearts to their young until they have left the nest. I do however, soak mealworms and currants and put them on plates for parent birds to give their chicks. It is important to soak the food in warm water for at least 15 minutes so that the chicks do not dehydrate. I actually leave the plates with the food and water on them so that they don't dry out. Bird tables are unfortunately not to be used. It has been found that the wood on a bird table harbours all the worst viruses and it cannot be cleaned sufficiently. I have found infected chaffinches and greenfinches and it is truly horrible to witness their suffering.

The WHG hasn't done a lot this month as we've been concentrating on our own gardens but we have plans in the pipeline for a community event so watch this space!

We're hoping to be aware of young hedgehogs soon. We know there are many hogs around and thankfully their nests are well hidden (at least, we hope so!) so we have no idea where they are.

Please check before lighting a bonfire or strimming that there are no animals living there. Young squirrels are running around and some birds are laying for the second or third time. I've not seen any young frogs or even frogspawn in the usual places but I'm sure garden ponds (without fish) have plenty. In fact, everywhere you look there is something happening.

Alison

St Michael's Community Orchard maintenance mornings

Our next maintenance mornings are on:

Saturday 6th June – 10:30-12:30

Saturday 11th July – 10:30-12:30

Come along and lend a hand in the orchard. We always stop for cake and refreshments, and all are very welcome, including supervised children.

We will be clearing around the bases of the younger trees, tidying the orchard boundaries (including cutting back brambles and nettles) and clearing the path down to the lower field.

Bring your own tools, gloves and something to kneel on if you wish. Community orchard cider is available to all supporters of the orchard.

For any more information about the orchard please get in touch.

Matthew Bryant (bryant.haselbury@gmail.com)

If a spider is in a corn field, does it make cob-webs?



Welcome to Haselbury Plucknett

For many years St Michael's and All Angels Church have produced a Welcome Booklet for new Residents in Haselbury Plucknett. If you have recently moved into the village or know of anyone who has and would like a copy, please contact Margaret Rendall, [51 New Close, 01460 73949].

Haselbury Plucknett Village Fayre

Thankfully, the weather this year was on our side. This meant the Fayre happened as planned, without being severely rain affected.

I have to confess, by the end of the weekend of the Fayre, I was exhausted, but could not have been happier. There is a substantial amount of work that goes on prior to the event. The booking of the catering; the entertainment; the toilets, all happens months in advance.

The setting up of the event, the running of all the stalls and attractions, the marshalling of the carpark, the breaking down of everything, takes a lot of effort, and can only be done if we have enough volunteers.

I would like to individually thank everyone involved but there is not enough space here to name everyone. We could not have put this event on without all of them.

Thank you to everyone that gave donations to the Raffle, and to the incredibly successful Tombola's; also that gave to the bric-a-brac, books and toys.

Thank you to The White Horse for the supply of Beer, both at cost and a donated PIN; North Downs Cider Barn for the Cider at cost on sale or return, very much appreciated. Hamden First Aid provided cover for the event as usual, and I am very pleased to say were not busy. Bakers Farm deserve a massive thanks for the donation of the generator; the loan of the field to use as a carpark and for brining the calves.

The event was busy throughout, the atmosphere was electric and I hope everyone had a good time. A massive thank you has to go to everyone that actually came and supported the Fayre.

The combined effort gave us a figure of £1289.33 after all expenses had been accounted, which is split between the Church and the School. I am very pleased to announce we are donating £644.66 to each of those establishments. Alongside these wonderful figures, the WI; BCC and Garden Club all benefitted from this fantastic event.

Ian Stewart

North Perrott CC: Latest from Willis Lane – the Field of Dreams

STOP START SPRING INTO SUMMER

Our all too short 2026 season has picked up where last season left off – dominated by the weather but instead of too much sun too much rain with two games being abandoned without a start and our 1 st XI match at Willis Lane versus Wembdon abandoned by the umpires after our visitors had struggled to 39 for 3. Even our annual Disco And BBQ was rained off! And to add insult to injury, the only match we've been able to complete thus far resulted in a local derby defeat at Chard CC. We lost by 77 runs having been bowled out for 158. On the same day the second XI lost to Wincanton by 163 runs (but it is their 1 st XI!).

We still need a couple more players to come and join our playing ranks, don't worry if you haven't played for a while or feel you may not be good enough – all levels welcome and excellent coaching is available.

And talking of joining our playing ranks, we give a big Willis Lane welcome to Nipun Malinga who has joined us for the summer from Ragama CC in Sri Lanka. Under Western League rules we are permitted one first class overseas player and this year its Nipun. Aged 26 from Galle, he is an experienced spin bowler and left-hand bat – an all rounder just what we need!! Welcome Nippy.

Fingers crossed that all the paperwork and signing on documentation can be completed so he might be available to join this coming weekend for two tough matches – in the league away at high flying Wellington and maybe even tougher, a trip to Bristol for our second round match in the National Village Knock Out competition against Templecombe. We received a bye in the first round after Shapwick & Polden conceded.

A win against Templecombe and a place in the draw for the next round would be a real boost – even though the Road to Lords is a tough ask. And finally, a special mention for our little 'uns, the Under 10s. In their first league game of the season, they scored a mighty 291 for 1 beating Queen Camel by 37 runs. More next month from Alex Richardson who manages and coaches our young players of the future

Martin

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When I was young, we only had an outside toilet.....

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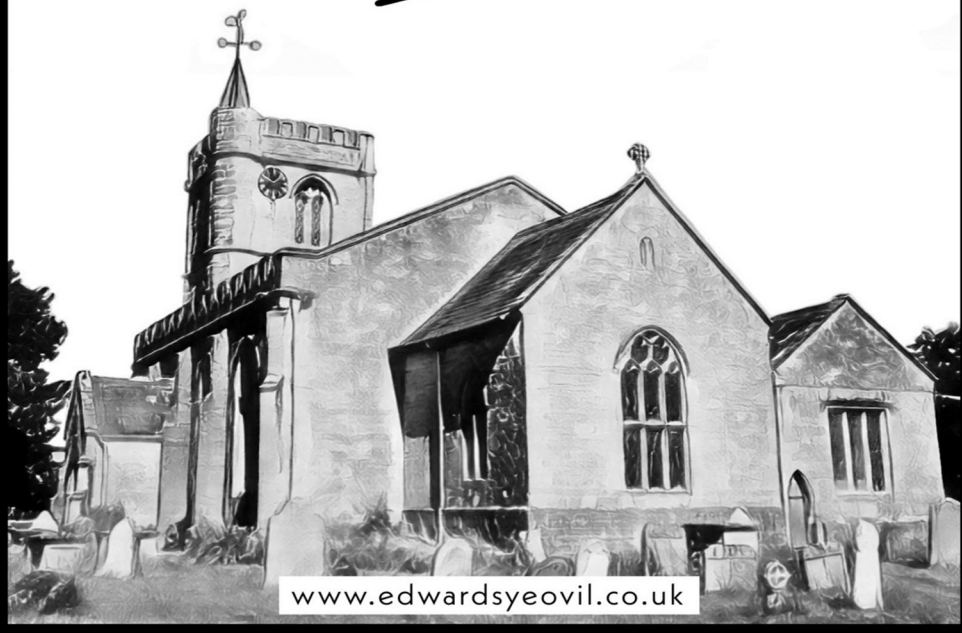
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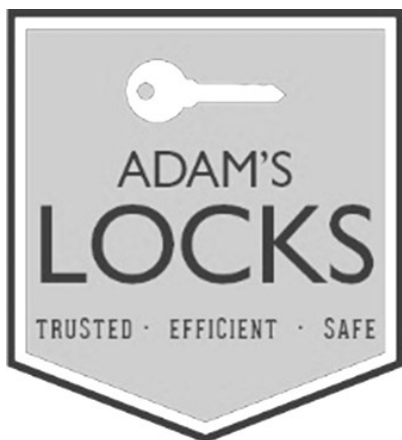
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North Perrott Annual Parish Meeting Tues 5th May 26

Reports from Village Groups, Clubs and Organisations:

Hoskyns memorial hall management committee

In the past year we have installed a new sound system and a new dishwasher. We have organised some very successful events during the year

St. Martin's Church Report

Sally Moralee has very recently been voted in as the new Churchwarden of St. Martin's.

Volunteers for any of our village groups are much needed and would be extremely welcome.

Present: Cllr's J Hoskyns (Chairman), B Reader, J Hall and L Gibbons (Parish Clerk).

Members of the Public: Nine

Election of Chairman – J Hoskyns was nominated and elected unanimously

Election of Vice Chairman – T Winder was nominated and elected unanimously

Declaration of acceptance of office for Chair and Vice Chairman - were signed.

Public Open Forum: The deep pothole with sharp edges on the verge outside of Pestors Orchard, Church Lane was raised.

Action - JH to re-submit the plan to L Norman (Somerset Highways).

Neighbourhood Watch: A member of the public reported cannabis being smoked in the village. If further information is available this will be reported to the PSCO.

Speed Watch/SID: Eight new volunteers have come forward for the Speed watch team. This will allow the group to be formally reinstated. A Leader will arrange training for the new and existing members of the group.

Village Maintenance, including flooding and fly tipping: The work for pavement clearing that was previously agreed has not taken place and the cost has also been increased. An additional quote has been received which is significantly cheaper. LG to confirm that we will proceed with the new contractor who has confirmed that the work will take place before the end of May. We will request that a sign is placed at either end of the pavement, warning when pesticide has been sprayed.

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on: Tuesday 7th July 2026,
7.00pm

Haselbury Plucknett Annual Parish Council Meeting Mon: 11th May 26

HW opened the meeting and thanked the Councillors and Clerk for their support over the last year. Apologies for absence: Cllr J Farrant and S Cllr M Hewittson. Election of Chair: H Williams was nominated and was elected unanimously. Election of Vice Chair: W Hunt was nominated and was elected unanimously. Declaration of acceptance of office for Chair and Vice Chairman: were signed. Allocation of areas of special responsibility: Roads and Highways: MW and JF, Footpaths and Rights of way: HW, Village Hall Trust PC representative: MB and RB, Park safety checks: WH, Village maintenance (Ranger services): WH. The Environment – AS, SID: WH, Local Community Network PC Representative: HW, Defibrillator (liaise with Mrs M Banham): MB and JF, Jared Gear, Meter Reading and Prepare Bills: JF. Resident's visitor: MR, IT, social media, website – LD. Open Session: The Fair committee offered their thanks to everyone who helped last weekend. The weather was perfect, and it was a huge success. The overall take was £2280.93, (this does not include money that the independent community groups take as this is kept themselves). Expenses accounted for so far are £780, with other costs still to be calculated. It is estimated that there will be around £600 each to donate to the school and the church. During the village fair, many people commented on how much appreciated the new permissive Footpath is, and they also commented that the re-located dog and rubbish bins were much better. LD was asked to pass this on to the N Baker. Items for escalation to our District/County Councillors: Advice will be sought from S Cllr's MH and OP regarding several potential planning breaches that have been reported to us. Annual Accounts and Bank Reconciliation: The accounts have been circulated for Cllrs to review. These were approved. Approval of the Annual Governance Statement: This was agreed and signed by the Clerk and Chairman. Approval of Accounting Statement: This was agreed and signed by the Clerk and Chairman. Agreement to Appoint Internal Auditor: Richard Keylock Accountancy Services. This was agreed. Agreement to the certificate of exemption (AGAR 25/26): This was agreed and signed by the Clerk and Chairman. Approval of the use of a variable direct debit: ICO annual fee and CPRE donation. This was agreed. The Park: Safety checks: The five inspection reports for the previous reporting period have been disseminated to councillors by WH. There are no significant outstanding issues. Footpath Working Group Update: JF is awaiting final approval to the drawings for the new diverted paths around the Squeeze Stones from the Diocese of Bath and Wells. As the church is a listed building and within a conservation area, some form of Planning Consent to permit the footpath diversion will be required. Ranger Service: This continues to work well. It was requested that vegetation on the Winterfield to New Close footpath is cut back. Clearance work will also be undertaken at Rebecca's well. Next Meeting Date: Annual Meeting - 08/06/2026 at the Beaumont Room in the Church at 7:00pm

Bible Christian Centre

Haselbury Plucknett, TA18 7QX

Minister: Pastor Andrew Harris – Tel: 01935 864414

Admin: Paula Harris – Tel. 01460 73147 or 01935 864414

www.biblechristiancentre.com

Services for June 2026....

<i>Sunday 7th June</i>	10:30am The Oasis. Relax at The Oasis with tea, coffee, cakes and space for children to play. With ELEV8 kids' group for 8-13yrs with Lego building. 4pm Family Celebration and worship and teaching.
<i>Sundays 14th, 21st & 28th June</i>	10:30am Family celebration & worship with CREA'8 & ELEV'8 kids' groups. Communion on: 14th & 28th June
<i>Wednesdays</i>	10:30am Morning devotion with Communion
<i>Thursdays 17th & 25th June</i>	7:30pm Bible Study
<i>Fridays</i>	10am - Prayer meeting

For more details please visit our website: www.biblechristiancentre.com

"Every gift God freely gives us is good and perfect, streaming down from the Father of lights, who shines from the heavens with no hidden shadow or darkness, and is never subject to change."

James 1:17



After 9 years I've finally finished writing my book on insects. 😊

In hindsight, it would have been easier writing it on paper!

SPLAT Kids Club



Friday nights of fun for children of School
Year groups R-4. Games, songs, stories and more
from 6:30-7:30pm, every Friday in term time. 50p entry.

FUSION Youth Café

A space to come and chill for young people from School Years 5-13, with
board games, table-top games and a tuck shop. Every Friday 8-9pm, term
time only.

Contact Paula Harris for more details: 07807446106



Haselbury Plucknett, TA18

Little Wrigglers



Our baby & toddler group is open on Mondays at 10am-11am in
term time, with great toys, a singing time and our Oasis Coffee shop.
Free entry!

Contact Paula Harris for more details: 07807446106



Haselbury Plucknett, TA18

The Oasis
First Sunday of the month
@ 10am
Starting 2nd Nov

Come and relax at
The Oasis with tea,
coffee, cakes and
space for children
to play

With....
ELEV8
Kids' group for 8-13yrs

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VILLAGE SERVICES FOR JUNE

DATE	HASELBURY St Michael and All Angels	NORTH PERROTT St Martin's
7th June <i>1st Sunday after Trinity</i>	10.30 am Holy Communion CW	9.00 am Holy Communion CW
14th June <i>2nd Sunday after Trinity</i>	10.30 am Holy Communion BCP	
21st June <i>3rd Sunday after Trinity</i>	10.30 am Family Service	9.00 am Holy Communion BCP
28th June <i>4th Sunday after Trinity</i>	10.30 am Holy Communion CW	

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Rectors' Reflections

APCM tide

We have just completed our cycle of Church Annual Meetings. We have 5 PCCs (Parochial Church Councils) across the Benefice, so we are required to have 5 separate APCMs, as they are known – Annual Parochial Church Meetings. In the normal world these would be known as AGMs.

Congratulations if you haven't fallen asleep yet and are still reading this. Yes, because traditionally Annual Meetings are the inspiration for much yawning and opting out.

They are not seen as very exciting. All that reporting on finances and drains – and also the fear that you might be forced into some role that you can never get out of! APCMs require a lot of work and admin behind the scenes, because there are statutory and procedural elements that must be completed, and on time. However, Julia and I were very much encouraged by the round of 2026. We had some of the best meeting attendances we have seen since we started in the Benefice just under 15 years ago. The people who came seemed really interested and engaged. There were some great suggestions, comments and questions. This is good; it shows that people are connected and invested in the life of our churches. We were able to celebrate some successes and be honest about the difficulties we face. We really do encourage an open exchange - the PCCs have nothing to hide! While we still have a number of vacancies in key roles, most notably an ongoing shortage of Churchwardens, we were heartened to see people volunteering for all sorts of responsibilities – including one brand new Churchwarden and 3 new PCC members. As in many other organisations, the Church can only survive and thrive because of its volunteers.

Thank you to everyone who has offered and continues to offer service to the church in some way.

Rev Bob Hicks 01460 76406

HOSKYN'S MEMORIAL HALL

NORTH PERROTT

Registered Charity 1029582

FUTURE EVENTS

Saturday 6th June

Afternoon Tea and Photo Competition Exhibits

Sandwiches, Cakes and Drinks

From 2 – 4pm

Tickets for Afternoon Tea £7.50 from North Perrott Farm Shop

Wednesday 10th June

Quiz

Doors and Bar Open 7.30pm Quiz starts at 8pm

Teams of up to 4 £3.50 per person

Booking recommended on the WhatsApp Village Social Page

Thursday 11th June

Music Night

7.30pm start

Saturday 20th June

Games Night

7.30 onwards

Bar Open

A date for your diary:

Saturday 24th October

Disco

Weekly Coffee Mornings

every Monday 10.30am – 12 noon excluding Bank Holidays
Everyone Welcome – Come in for a Chat and Coffee and Biscuits

The Village Hall is available for everyone in the two villages.
If you are looking for a venue for a party, reception or other event
please contact Lesley on 07732 030279 to make a booking
or to arrange for someone to show you around.

The Village Hall website: Northperrottvillagehall.co.uk

Charity and local Events in and around the two Villages

NORTH DOWN ORCHARD

TA18 7PL On the edge of Haselbury Plucknett

Live Music 18:00- 23:00 June 2026

Friday 05 June - Roadstars

Saturday 13th June—Red Kyte

Friday 19th June —Moonshine Hillbillies

Saturday 20th June—Bluesoul

Saturday 26th June - The Mushroom Season

Sunday 07 June 14:00: - 17:00

Vintage and Classic Car Meet

live music from The Woodhouse Swing Trio

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paranoia, surviving off-grid with his spirited, self-reliant daughter, Willa (Chase Ininiti). When his evil nemesis (Sean Penn) resurfaces after 16 years and she goes missing, the former radical scrambles to find her, father and daughter battling the consequences of his past.

in Hardington Mandeville Village Hall on

Thursday 18th June.

Afternoon Performance at 2:00pm

Coffee, tea and cake available, doors open 1:30 pm

Evening Performance at 7:30pm

Licensed bar available, doors open 7.00 pm

Tickets: £5.00 in advance from Springfield Stores

(01935 862363) or on the door

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NORTH PERROTT CRICKET GROUND CHURCH & CRICKET CLUB

FETE

SUNDAY 28th JUNE 12pm to 4pm

**Entrance 50p under 18's free. Cash or cheques only please Bring your
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CALLING DOG OWNERS! HAMSTONE VETS FUN DOG SHOW!

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THE RED KYTE BAND (60'S MUSIC & BEYOND)

BOUNCY CASTLE – NOODLES ICE CREAMS

GRAND RAFFLE (1st prize £100) - BOTTLE TOMBOLA – LOCAL PRODUCE

PLANTS - CAKES - BATHROOM – BOOZEY DRAW – BUCKET DRAW

BOOKS & BITS 'N BOBS (new & nearly new)

GARDEN GAMES FOR CHILDREN - SPACE HOPPERS - LUCKY DIP - TOY STALL

APPLE BOBBING – SKITTLES – COCONUT SHY

MANY OTHER VISITING STALLS & ATTRACTIONS

BBQ – PIZZAS - FILLED ROLLS – TEA & DELICIOUS CAKES

PIMMS & PROSECCO – LICENCED BAR

Proceeds shared between St Martin's Church and the North Perrott Cricket Club

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www.npcc.co.uk

Quiz Night – Fundraising for ‘Raise the Roof’

Come along to a relaxed evening of trivia and good company in support of ‘Raise the Roof’

at St. Michael and All Angel’s Church, Haselbury Plucknett,
Church Lane, TA18 7RE.

 **Saturday 27 June**  **7–9 pm**

 **Teams up to 6 people**

 **£3 per person**  **£2 raffle for 5 tickets**

? Six rounds of eight questions

  **Drinks and Nibbles available**

Everyone is welcome, whether you’re a seasoned quizzier or
just in it for the fun.

Help us raise funds for ‘Raise the Roof’ to support the church building
while enjoying a great night out.

Tickets for the **quiz** will be available to purchase from early June –
contact Georgina Butcher or Jim Farrent - **or £3.50 on the door.**

Georgina Butcher (georgina0661@btinternet.com)

or Jim Farrant (jim.farrant@btopenworld.com)

Raffle tickets will be available to buy on the night.

Police Drop in Sessions

Crewkerne Local information Centre

Town Hall, Market Square, Crewkerne, TA18 7LN

Wednesday 17th June 2026 11:00am



All are welcome to support this event on Top Field at Perrott Hill School on Sunday 21st June. Eight teams will be competing in a six-a-side cricket tournament which will start at 11am and conclude by 4pm. There will be pitch side catering on offer and a tombola with all proceeds going towards the North Perrott Village Hall.

For further details please contact Will Silk at wehsilk@icloud.com

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