

The Grapevine



Looking out at the lovely sunshine, colourful bulbs and listening to the country sounds contrasts so vividly with the terrible scenes we are presented with on the media. Can anyone ever have imagined that the world would have changed so dramatically again in just a few weeks, this time due to man's inhumanity and aggressive acts against a sovereign nation. Our thoughts go out to all those affected in the Ukraine

and to the refugees who have been forced to leave their country. Once again, Hankerton has risen to a challenge and sent supplies which should arrive soon. Thanks to everyone involved in collecting the items and to all who donated. The thank you from Valerie is printed below.

We are indeed, mindful of our good fortune and our thoughts are with all those in trouble, wishing for a peaceful outcome to the present conflict.

Eds.

Ukrainian Appeal

I would like to say a huge "Thank You" to everyone who donated items for the Ukrainian Appeal. The response from the village and surroundings was absolutely overwhelming. People have been so kind and generous. All your donations have now been sorted, packed and labelled (with special thanks to Heather and Helen for helping me with this task!) We have taken all the donations (four trips) to two distribution centres in Swindon. One is organising lorries to go to Poland and the second one is preparing a lorry to go to Moldova, with four drivers and two support vehicles (see photo). I am confident that all your donations will arrive safely and will make a huge difference to the Ukrainian refugees who have left their homes leaving everything behind.



Thank you
Valerie Durnford

Deadline for news for the **June** (non-Jubilee edition) Grapevine: **May 10th 2022**

The size and content of The Grapevine depends on the amount of copy we receive from individuals and groups, so please keep the news and events coming in!

All articles, adverts to be sent to: grapevinesn16@aol.com

Or to 21 Follyfield, Hankerton. SN16 9LA

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Thank you to the Parish Council for continuing to support the Grapevine.

Nature Diary – April 2022

Spring reminds us of the passing of time, with the beginning of another growing season and the end of the dormancy of winter. The passage of time, and a lot of it, is what links the two plants discussed in this month's diary and both provide us with beautiful and impressive displays of floral colour.

The first plant is the Marsh Marigold (*Caltha palustris*), a member of the buttercup family, and like its cousins puts on a stunning display of vivid, buttery yellow.



However, the flower does not have petals! What at first look like petals are in fact sepals, which in other flowers are usually the small green growths to be found behind the flower's petals and protected the petals before the bud opened. The flower of the Marsh Marigold can be up to 5 cms across, so much bigger than buttercups, and is set off by the deep green foliage of the plant.

As its name suggests, it is a plant of wet places. It likes to "keep its feet wet". It is one of those plants that has quite a few common names, such as Kingcup, Mollymops, Mayflower, Water-blobs and Gollins. It is thought that the plant survived the glaciation of the last ice-age and flourished when the glaciers retreated and the landscape was inundated with meltwater. Having taken its opportunity in such a way, it is thought to be one of the most ancient of our plant species.

Nowadays much of the land has been artificially drained for agriculture and other uses, so the plant is not as common as it once was. It is always to be seen in the swale that crosses the large field (Leigh Mead) at the top of Cloatley Meadows nature reserve. Later in the season, the grasshoppers in that field like to sunbathe on the large leaves, and in very great numbers.

One word of warning. The leaves contain a poisonous substance, which is only present in small quantities, and for that reason the plant is considered to be only mildly harmful. However, if the leaves are in contact with human skin for a period of time, they will cause painful blistering. So, observe but don't touch.

Walk into Hankerton Copse from Leigh Mead, and you will come across the second of the two flowers, especially from the path on the eastern side of the copse. This is the Wood Anemone (*Anemone nemorosa*) also known as Windflower and Grandmother's Nightcap, and like the Marsh Marigold is also a member of the buttercup family. It is a beautifully delicate white flower, sometimes with pale pink blushing on the back of the petals, and does produce a scent which people compare to the smell of foxes or damp compost – does that still qualify as a "scent"? It doesn't grow to be very tall, but the extensive carpets of flowers do provide a stunning sight in the spring. They time their display so that they flower before the canopy of tree and shrub leaves closes off the light from above.



The seed produced by the flowers is rarely fertile in Britain, and the plant spreads by means of its spreading root structure. This is a very slow process, and one reference states "no more than six feet each hundred years". This means that when you find Wood Anemones growing in a wood, it indicates that the woodland is very old, sometimes referred to as ancient woodland, of which most has disappeared in this country. Occasionally you may find some anemones growing out in pasture or hedgerows, and this probably indicates that there used to be woodland at that place.

At night and during wet weather the flowers droop and close, to protect the pollen contained in the flower. Although, considering the previous statement about its seed being infertile, one wonders why the plant protects the pollen? It was thought that the flowers would then remain closed until the wind blew, and this led to the stated name above of Windflower.

So why not, on a sunny spring morning, take a walk up to Cloatley Meadows nature reserve and acquaint yourselves with a couple of the not so well known members of the buttercup family. It will be worth it.

Steve Davies.

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Beef lasagna or vegetable Lasagna with chips

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From £4.00

Ginger sponge with custard*

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Butterscotch ice-cream sundae



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HANKERTON HISTORY – DID YOU KNOW? #10

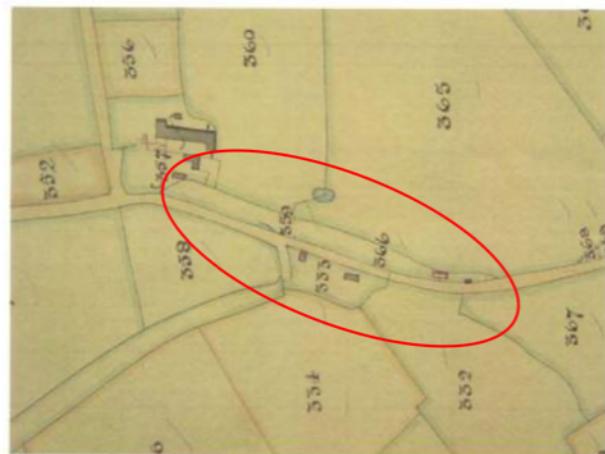
We tend to think that village road names and routes are fairly static but our research has revealed some interesting facts about our local lanes.

The lane to Muncott was once known as Windmill Hill road. Windmill Hill is clearly shown in this map from the 1770s. We have found out that there was probably a windmill in that area at the end of the 13th century and that the road was still known as Windmill Hill Road in 1809. Investigation and a spot of metal detecting some years ago did not find any remains. You never know – a project for the future.



North of the church Cuff's Lane ran between the then Windmill Hill Road and Cloatley Road. The east end of Cuff's Lane was stopped at inclosure in 1809 and the lane fell out of use. It is marked in red on the map and part of it is still used by dog walkers. Just think about the history of that muddy path.

Finally Cloatley Road used to have wide verges and during the 19th century some of the verges were used by squatters to build small dwellings. If you could have a fire in a hearth within 24 hours of starting to build then the building was yours. The cottage east of Cloatley Farm could be an example of one such cottage. The enclosed verge is clearly shown on the Tithe Map of 1841. The road may also have been used by drovers who could water their livestock at the ponds which still exist.



This is the last "Did You Know" for a while as we do more research and hopefully get to meet up again in person. We are hoping to re-launch the history group sometime soon. Look out for notices of our meetings.



New players welcome!

We are lucky in the village to have a wonderful Cricket Club on our doorstep and the Charlton and Hankerton Cricket Club is looking for new players to join.

The Club plays their games throughout the summer on a Saturday afternoon at the playing fields in Charlton against a variety of other local teams from across the Cotswolds. All abilities are welcome so if you haven't played in a while and are keen to only have one or two games a season or would like to play more regularly then please get in touch. It is a great, friendly, local village club and you will be more than welcome. Relaxed training sessions every Wednesday evening too.

If you are interested please contact Robin Tjolle – robintjolle@aol.com or Pete Masterson – petermasterman@btinternet.com for more details and we look forward to seeing you there whenever you can make it. Budding Umpires are also welcome too!



Malmesbury Garden Centre is a locally run business supplying all your garden requirements. We are still open and have some gorgeous flowers and vegetable plants in, lots of seeds and gardening tools. The staff are very friendly and willing to help you with all your needs. The Cafe food is scrumptious too!

We are open:
Monday to Saturday: 9:00am – 5:00pm
Sunday: 10.00am – 4.00pm



Surgery News:

The MPCC (Malmesbury Primary Care Centre) has 16,470 patients at present and the practice employs 14 doctors.

Each doctor has 15 appointments available in the morning and 15 appointments in the afternoon.

In Oct/Nov 2021 there were on average 120 patients each week who were unable to obtain an appointment. In January 2022 the surgery had on average to turn away 20 patients each week. The surgery is now back up and running and is offering a normal level of service.

Staffing:

Dr Neale is retiring and her departure will coincide with Dr Yuka Ikegaya returning from maternity leave.

Lisa Hepworth is no longer with the surgery and the Carers Café which Lisa organised has been put on hold and is under review.

One new Advanced Care Practitioner has been employed to deal with on the day urgent problems.

Community Pharmacists:

Patients should contact the surgery reception if they have any non-urgent problems. They may be referred to a community pharmacist, e.g., Boots or another pharmacy of their own choice who can dispense medication to patients for example for Hay Fever.

North Wilts Border Primary Care Network:

Is a group of five practices consisting of Malmesbury, Purton, Sherston, Cricklade & Royal Wootton Bassett x 2 who work together across a defined area.

Primary Care Networks help to make sure that patients are supported and signposted to the health and care professional who is best placed to help – this could be a GP, pharmacist, district nurse, physiotherapist, paramedic, physician associate, as well as staff working in social care or the voluntary sector.

Additional future staffing positions across the group will share medical practitioners of:

2 Care Coordinators

2 Paramedics who will mostly attend to frail patients.

2 Physician Associates

As MPCC is the larger of the five practices the staff will spend a high percentage of their week at Malmesbury.

As an action from the 2021 patient survey, MPCC agreed to circulate more information about the GP practice team. If you wish to know more the following link will provide details.

<https://www.malmesburypcc.nhs.uk/2022/01/17/4362/>

If anyone would like to raise a question or provide feedback about the service they've received from the MPCC I'll be very happy to take this forward for you. If you could let me have the details, my telephone number is 07856202115. The next meeting dates are on 6 June and 1 August 2022.

A New Idea!



We at the Grapevine have been approached about the idea of holding a clothes sale in the village, selling adults and children's clothes of all ages. If we have enough interest we could do this a couple of times a year possibly. You wouldn't have to donate anything (unless you wanted to!) but could just pop along and see if there's anything that you like. Then you could make a donation of maybe 50p or £1 per item and all proceeds would go to the church. Let us know what you think of this idea – we love it!

If you're interested then contact the Grapevine at our usual address and we'll put you in touch with the brains behind the idea and we can make it a reality! grapevinesn16@aol.com



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TRUSTING HEART

Lord, I need a hug, please catch me else I fall - Hold me,
support me, I need You now most of all
I am very tired and I am so dismayed – I do have a trusting
heart, Lord but its edges are frayed
I need to draw close, hear a word, see a sign - That life will
get better all in good time
Things are out of my hands, Lord, that's why I feel scared
I felt I was in control; now I'm just in despair
I can't do this alone; I'm falling flat on my face
Oh Lord, I need that hug, to feel Your embrace...
“Child, sit where you are, let your wretchedness cease
You'll know My arms are around you, when you're
aware of My Peace.
I'll help you shoulder your burden; you're not in this
on your own – Be consoled and believe that you are
never alone
As My Love encircles you, let Me make myself plain
Give Me your anguish, let Me take the strain
Just close your eyes, take heart, I have you in My care
Lean against Me, be soothed, as we sit here in prayer”.

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Greetings from Revd Tonya

Just over three years ago I arrived in Braydon Brook Benefice and this month sees Mark and myself moving back to Bath and Wells Diocese.

It has been a privilege to serve this Benefice as your Rector and to share in the lives of many people.

The contact with every school who have either invited me in for Collective Worship or teaching sessions or have visited the churches for various occasions has enabled me to meet very many children and young people – I have loved the ‘Hello Revd Tonya’ that greets me from them.

Sharing in the events of your lives has been joyful through the Services of Marriage and Blessing of Marriages: it has been thankful through the very many Baptisms Services I have conducted: it has been moving to share in the times of sorrow that many of you have experienced as we also tried to give thanks for what has been and in the hope of what will be.

It has at times been challenging to be Rector of the Benefice, as change was what you said you wanted, but of course, change when it comes along can be so very hard.

Thank you for the many good wishes and thanks I have received – that has been encouraging and heart-warming both now and through the years.



Know that you will remain in my prayers and that I send you God’s blessing.

Revd Tonya

The village would like to thank the Revd Tonya for all her hard work and for everything that she's done while she's been here. We're really sorry to see her go but wish her all the best in her new ventures. Please stay in touch!



Striding out, in bright sunshine ☀



The Hankerton Footpath Team arranged their first village walk on Sunday, 20 March 2022.

A dozen villagers set out on a bright, sunny morning to walk a circuit of Hankerton.

We left the church, heading up HANK 20 and round Andover's Gorse, passing through Bullocks Horn and back down on to the Cloatley Road via HANK 31; a right/left turn later we were passing through Cloatley Meadows and Hankerton Copse to return back to the church via various footpaths, including HANK 2, 4 and 3.



On arrival back at the church, coffee, croissants and kitkats awaited and the walkers lingered a while to have a snack and chat in the sun.

We hope to arrange our next walk in April - likely 10 April - and hope others will join us. Details to follow.

Thanks to all who turned out, with special thanks to Jacqui & Ida for their help organising/providing refreshments, and to the Hankerton Church Group for allowing us to use their facilities.

Piers





A message from the Archdeacon of Malmesbury

I am very grateful to the Rev'd Tonya Nixon for her ministry as Rector of the Braydon Brook Group since 2019. Very soon after she arrived we were plunged into Covid, and Tonya has guided and pastored the benefice with great diligence, commitment and compassion. Her skills in creativity, community outreach and schools work have been greatly valued, and we wish her and Mark well in their new home in Portishead.

As we approach the vacancy there are inevitably a mixture of feelings and, quite rightly, a wish for clarity. This update sets out the next steps. The Vacancy Team of churchwardens (or equivalent for each parish) and licensed ministers have met with me. The Benefice Administrator, Alison Withers, will be the point of contact during the vacancy. Alison will arrange baptisms, weddings, funerals, the service rota and benefice administration, and requests for pastoral visits should also go to her at bbbandgb@gmail.com or 01666 825019. Decisions will be made by the Vacancy Team, supported by the Area Dean, Rev'd Steve Wilkinson (rector@woodbridgegroup.co.uk 01249 723733) and me.

The Bishop and I are committed to appointing a new Rector for Braydon Brook and we are aware that a vacancy makes significant demands on all our volunteers. So it is important that no vacancy lasts longer than it needs to. I will be liaising with the patrons. When we advertise, potential applicants will be aware that the last two incumbents moved on within three years. We must be able to say, with confidence, that Braydon Brook is a place where the next Rector can thrive in their ministry. To do that, we need to be clear that we have considered prayerfully any issues there may be, and have clear steps to address them.

I am pleased that the Rev'd Douglas Holt has agreed to conduct a vacancy review. Douglas has great wisdom and insight, and will be able to help you reflect together on what has been, and look forward to what can be. His focus will be on meeting 1:1 with churchwardens, headteachers, licensed ministers, people with responsibility for different areas of benefice life, and representatives from each church. He will want to know what has been good over the past few years and what strengths exist to build upon; also if there is anything that needs to change so that we can recruit a new Rector with confidence. He will take several services during the vacancy, at which there will be an opportunity for anyone to meet him and talk, but he will not be acting as an interim Rector.

Diocesan Support Services are here to help the benefice, so do please keep in touch. I look forward to our ongoing conversations and hopefully being able to join you in worship.

With my prayers and best wishes

Christopher Bryan

Archdeacon of Malmesbury

christopher.bryan@bristoldiocese.org

21st March 2022



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We are planning to host a Street Party in Follyfield
on
Sunday 5 June from 2-5pm to celebrate this
momentous occasion.

Come and join us for a traditional afternoon tea.
We will be providing a variety of homemade sandwiches, scones with jam and cream and cake with copious cups of tea, and squash/water for the children.
Plus a glass of Prosecco for a Loyal Toast

TICKETS

Adults and children aged 10 and over £5
Children under 10 £2

We would love you all to enter into the spirit of the occasion by wearing red, white and blue and there will be a prize for the best home-made crown, primarily aimed at the children.
There will also be a Quiz to test your knowledge of the Queen and her family.

HELP!

- * We will need more picnic tables and chairs than we have sourced to date so if you are willing to loan yours and deliver on the day please let us know.
- * Making cakes. We will, of course, reimburse you for ingredients.
- * Moving and setting up tables and chairs on the Sunday morning.
- * Clearing up after the event.
- * Making and serving the tea for a half-hour shift during the afternoon.
- * Taking some crockery home to run through the dishwasher.

To order tickets or offer help please send an email to 70jubilee@gmail.com
You will be able to pay by BACS transfer. Please include your name and address.
OR, if you would prefer, call Claudine on 577946.
OR please put a note through my door at 22 Follyfield.
I will get back to you as soon as possible.
All requests for tickets by **20 MAY** please to help us with the catering.

Photo!

As part of the Grapevine Jubilee edition to celebrate our Queen's momentous reign (look out for it coming through your letterbox in June!) we thought it would make a lovely conclusion to get a photo of everyone currently living in the village! Peter Wyman has kindly agreed to use his drone to take a photo but it will have to be weather dependent so we can't give you a date or time as yet although it will be in the churchyard, possibly on a Saturday morning. We will try to get word round via posters, the website, the WhatsApp group and word-of-mouth so hopefully everyone will know even though it will be short notice.

And don't forget to get your tickets for the Jubilee Street Party (see separate article!)



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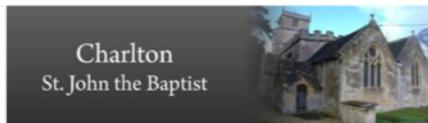
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Services across the Braydon Brook Benefice

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Date	Services in Church	Services on Zoom
3 rd April	9.30am Friends and Family @ Crudwell 9.30am, Holy Communion @ Hankerton 11am, Holy Communion @ Oaksey 6pm, Evening Prayer @ Ashley	11am Morning Praise
10 th April Palm Sunday	10am, Benefice Holy Communion @ Charlton	
17 th April Easter Sunday	9.30am, Holy Communion for Easter Sunday @ Ashley 9.30am, Holy Communion for Easter Sunday @ Charlton 9.30am, Holy Communion for Easter Sunday @ Hankerton 11am, Holy Communion for Easter Sunday @ Crudwell 11am, Holy Communion for Easter Sunday @ Minety 11am, Holy Communion for Easter Sunday @ Oaksey	
24 th April	10am, Benefice Holy Communion @ Ashley	

Mid-Week Services and Events

Monday	11 th & 25 th April 4 th & 11 th April	10am 6pm	Bible Study via Zoom Stillness and Peace @ Crudwell
Tuesday	Weekly	9am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
Wednesday	13 th April	9.45am	Morning Prayer @ Oaksey
Thursday	Maundy Thursday 14 th April	9.45am	BCP Communion Service @ Minety
Friday	Weekly	9am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
	Good Friday 15 th April	10am	Children's Activity @ Oaksey
	Good Friday 15 th April	2pm	Service for Good Friday @ Hankerton
Saturday	Easter Saturday	10.30am	Children's Easter Extravaganza @ Crudwell

Please visit our website www.braydonbrook.co.uk and Braydon Brook Churches Facebook Page to find out more.



What's happening in the Braydon Brook Benefice during Holy Week and Easter?



What?	When?	Where?
Palm Sunday Benefice Holy Communion Service	Palm Sunday 10 th April, 10am	Charlton Church
Stillness & Peace	Monday 11 th April, 6pm	Crudwell Church
Morning Prayer	Tuesday 12 th April, 9am	Via Zoom please contact bbbandgb@gmail.com for the details
Morning Prayer	Wednesday 13 th April, 9.45am	Oaksey Church
BCP Holy Communion	Maundy Thursday 14 th April, 9.45am	Minety Church
Children's Activity	Good Friday 15 th April, 10am	Oaksey Church
Service for Good Friday	Good Friday 15 th April, 2pm	Hankerton Church
Children's Easter Extravaganza	Easter Saturday 16 th April, 10.30am	Crudwell Church
Holy Communion Service for Easter Day	Easter Sunday 17 th April 9.30am 11am	Ashley, Charlton & Hankerton Crudwell, Minety & Oaksey

Come and be part of the
Easter Extravaganza

Saturday 16th April

Time 10.30am – 11.30am

Crudwell Church

Designed for Primary School Children but **ALL**
are **welcome**. Children to be accompanied by
an adult

Come and join us for Easter stories, crafts and
games!

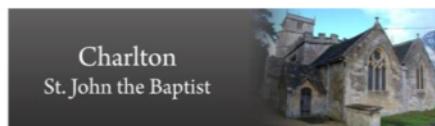


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Ashley St. James



Charlton
St. John the Baptist



All Saints
Crudwell



Hankerton
Holy Cross



Minety
St. Leonard



Oaksey
All Saints

Date	Services in Church	Services on Zoom
1 st May 2022	10am, Benefice Holy Communion @ Crudwell TBC	
8 th May	9.30am Friends and Family @ Crudwell 9.30am, Holy Communion @ Hankerton 11am, Holy Communion @ Oaksey 6pm, Evening Prayer @ Ashley	11am Morning Praise
15 th May	9.30am, Holy Communion @ Charlton 11am, Holy Communion @ Minety 11am, Matins @ Oaksey 3pm, Tea Time Service (Songs of Praise) @ Hankerton	6pm Evening Prayer
22 nd May	9.30am, Holy Communion @ Ashley 9.30am, Morning Praise @ Charlton 11am Morning Praise @ Minety 11am, Holy Communion @ Crudwell	
29 th May	10am, Benefice Holy Communion @ Hankerton	

Mid-Week Services and Events

Monday	Every other week	10am	Bible Study via Zoom
Tuesday	Weekly	9am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
Thursday	12 th May	9.45am	BCP Communion Service @ Minety
Friday	Weekly	9am	Morning Prayer via Zoom

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A Tribute to long-time Hankerton residents Lawrence and Nancy Nurden

By Kate Nurden



Mr and Mrs Nurden moved to 1 Hillwell in 1964 when Andy Nurden was 4 years old. They moved from Crudwell up to Hankerton. Lawrence was a builder and later set up his own company of L. Nurden and Sons. Nancy was a wife, mother and bookkeeper and helped Lawrence with lots of other jobs. Lawrence was very fortunate in being able to help build the council housing in Hankerton which then helped them to buy 1 Hillwell in 1964. After Andy, they went on to have 3 more boys, poor Nancy!

They enjoyed living in Hankerton and made some wonderful friends, their generosity didn't stop there though. They were always willing to help others and always happy to lend a hand. Their garden was their pride and joy and keeping it pretty and tidy was always on their agenda. It was a peaceful place to be after a long day at work or working in the sheds.

The boys went on to do motorcross and Lawrence spent many an evening helping the boys to get their bikes ready for the weekends. Running your own business and helping the boys with motorcross was hard going but worth it in the end. They loved their holidays in Cornwall, Hayle and Devon with all the boys. When the boys left home the holidays still carried on and they visited Colin and Beverly who moved to Canada.

Lawrence and Nancy also helped with the opening of the bridge in Hankerton (by the pump station) when it was finally finished.



They always loved living in Hankerton and enjoyed the walks they went on too. They knew everyone in the village and it was lovely to stop and say hello and have a chat in the street or even at the church. Mr and Mrs Nurden were wonderful people who were taken too early but have left a house full of love.

By the way, you now have one of their grandchildren, Kate, living in the family home with her family too and sending love and kindness to all.





Anne Hayhoe 2022

In The Footsteps of JMW Turner

Saturday 23rd April

10 am to 1 pm

'In the footsteps of JMW Turner'

Anne Hayhoe is a local Artist who encourages sketching in the landscape.

Beginning with a short talk in front of the Turner acquisition, we will walk around Malmesbury Abbey, stopping in some of the places where Turner made his exploratory sketches.

Participants will have time to sketch at these iconic viewpoints using their chosen materials. To finish we will study all our sketches and discuss the contemporary artworks that can be created following this inspirational sketching tour.



**This is a free event but
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by ringing 01666 577526**



Come and spend ten relaxing and enjoyable minutes looking at the Turner painting and comparing it with the prints of other artists.

This is a global all-volunteer event with a simple mission: help more people discover the joy of looking at, and loving, art.

Why Slow? When people look slowly at a piece of art they make discoveries. The most important discovery they make is that they can see and experience art without an expert.

We look forward to seeing you on April 2nd.

The Turner volunteers will be here to talk to you between 11am and 4pm.

HANKERTON HISTORY GROUP

MAY 7th and 8th 2022

Holy Cross Church, Hankerton

Hankerton History Group will be 're-launching' with an exhibition in the church - maps, aerial photographs, artefacts, metal detecting finds and some personal stories - come along and find out about the amazing amount of history to be found in Hankerton.

Information nearer the time on the website and posters around the village.

We look forward to seeing you there!

HHG Committee

It's that time again – time for the TERRIBLE Easter jokes!!!

1. Where does Christmas come before Easter? In the dictionary!
2. What kind of jewellery does the Easter Bunny wear? 14 Carrot Gold
3. What do you call the Easter Bunny the day after Easter? Eggshausted
4. What's the best way to make Easter easier? Put an "i" where the "t" is.
5. What happened to the Easter Bunny when he misbehaved at school? He was eggspelled!
6. Why shouldn't you tell an Easter egg a joke? It might crack up!
7. What do you call an Easter egg from outer space? An egg-straterrestrial!



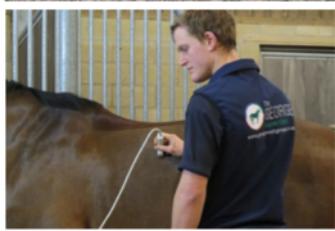
Happy Easter from Susan and Mary!



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