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Sally carries the Torch for Kingsdon

Exeter Quay was buzzing with early risers on Monday 21st to see off the Olympic Flame on its third day of the relay.

It was a great turn out as the public started gathering by the river as early as 6am. Many people had seen the torch in Sunday's processions but wanted to see it live one last time.

The flame arrived at 7:15am and the first torch bearer started the relay from outside the Custom House at 7:25am. The crowds of onlookers tried their best to get one last photo of the flame leaving Exeter.

The torch was then passed on to Sally Smith who ran two full lengths along the river before passing it on.

Sally, who is the Parish clerk for Kingsdon, said: "I have been a little cynical about the Olympic Games coming to London because of the massive expenditure involved. But today, carrying the torch among so many wonderful people, made me think again. Meeting other runners who have done so much for their local communities and, running in front of the crowds lining the pavement who had all turned out at an early hour, to show their support for the Games and for the UK, it all made me enormously proud of being British. It is so easy to dwell on all the problems, but when you start looking at all the good things instead, Britain is still an amazing place to live. It was also good to see the BBC with their totally professional crew. So easy to complain about things but maybe, for the next two months, everyone should simply dwell on all the fabulous things that are happening on our little island. Good luck Team GB."

Sally's nomination story

"Sally has inspired thousands to push boundaries by demonstrating through her own activities what can be achieved. She was a journalist in Fleet Street when it was dominated by men, she started parachuting when there were only a handful of female skydivers in the country, becoming British Women's Freefall Champion, a member of the British Parachute team and starting up and running the world's first all girl skydiving display team. Having young children, she demonstrated how to mix dedicated parenting with other activities, turning to hot air ballooning because her three children could help in the sport, becoming a member of the Australian Hot Air Ballooning Team, second female at the World Ballooning Championships - again inspiring women that you can continue to achieve even as a Mum in male dominated areas. Her top selling book Super Dad was one of the first to help men really get involved in parenting. Now in her sixties, she has started a top monthly series in www.laterlife.com, the UK's leading online magazine for the over 50s - Out of the Box - an inspirational look at some of the more unusual activities the over 60s can undertake such as windsurfing, learning the electric guitar and running with the Hash Street Harriers, giving full information on every activity to inspire others to start something new.. She now runs her own very successful business from home showing life doesn't end at 60 - and there is no space to mention her charitable activities here."

Jim Masters poses the question:-

Where were the first modern Olympic Games held? Answer on page 7



Sally Smith ran two legs in central Exeter

Tickets for the Monday Night Dance / Hog Roast are Sold Out

Saturday 2nd June

Village Fete

10am	The Queen arrives on Robin Attwell's vintage Tractor and Trailer to open the Fete																		
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10am	<p>Best Decorated Jubilee Cake & Cupcake Competition Adult and Children's Garden on a Plate Competition Children's Competition for the best vegetable grown or shaped like a monster, bug or animal</p> <p>All entries to be in the Marquee by 10am Please have entrants name and address inside an unmarked envelope with each entry</p>																		
	<h2 style="margin: 0;">The Kingsdon Jubilee Concert</h2> <p style="margin: 0;">Marquee open from 6.30p</p>																		

Sunday 3rd June

9am - 6pm	Jubilee Best Dressed House Competition	
10am - 6pm	Jubilee Scarecrow Competition	
11am	<p>Songs of Praise Conducted by the Rev. Bruce Faulkner - Organist Beryl Turner Do you have a favourite Hymn? Contact David Beswick - 840795 and he will try and have it included</p>	
12.15pm	<p>The Big Jubilee Lunch The aim of the Big Lunch is to get as many people as possible across the whole of the UK to have lunch with their neighbours in a simple act of community, friendship and fun. Bring your own lunch and join in the fun on the village field. The Bar will be open.</p>	
2pm - 4pm	<p>Treasure Hunt An opportunity to walk off your Big Lunch - Starting and finishing in the marquee</p>	
Time to be announced	<p>Royal Navy Historic Flight Flypast of the iconic Fairey Swordfish Flown by Kingsdon's own 'Biggles' Glenn Allison</p>	
8pm	<p>An Evening of Folk Music and Song - From 8pm at The Kingsdon Inn A free informal evening of music and song provided by the Keyboard genius Anthony Sycamore, musician Suzanne Grönlund from Sweden, and Scottish singer J. Michele Garner from Kyle of Lochalsh. Other musicians who have arrived to play in the Big Band on the Monday night will also be invited to join in.</p>	

Monday 4th June

2pm	<p>The Jubilee Sports Day alias The Kingsdon Olympics ! An afternoon of family fun and games for both young and old Organised by Babs Conway and Sally Clapperton</p>
7.30pm	<p>The Kingsdon Jubilee Dance & Hog Roast with the Kingsdon Big Band and Kayleigh Degregorio</p> <p>Keyboard Anthony Sycamore</p> <p>Drums Graham Moffatt from COSYJO Danny Farrant (drummer with the Buzzcocks) who also sings</p> <p>Bass Nigel Dodge of Yeovil Operatic</p> <p>Trumpets Richard Ham from Manchester, Phil Farr-Cox, Sarah Alsop, Alex McClaren, Ben, Paul (Harry) Harris</p> <p>Trombone Keith & James Thomas, Ian McClaren, Glyn Bowen, Rhys Bowen</p> <p>Saxophone Peter (Bruce) Harrison (Baritone), Emily Thomas (Alto), Josh Smith (Alto) Louise Druce (Alto), Tom Kirkman (Tenor), Ed Leaker (Tenor)</p> <p>Female Vocalist - Kayleigh Degregorio</p>
10.20pm	<p>At 10.20pm the Jubilee Beacon will be lit atop of the Church Tower</p>

Tuesday 5th June

11am	<p>The Jubilee Fun Run The Fun Run will commence from the village field at 11am, the competitors will be waved on their way by the Queen. The race is primarily for the best fancy dressed runner (walker). There will be categories for:- 10yrs and under, 11 to 16's and Adults</p>
3pm	<p>The Kingsdon Jubilee Tea Party Join the Kingsdon Ladies for their Tea Party in the Marquee. The entertainment commences at 3pm with Brian Hellyer, Magician Extraordinaire. Brian will amaze and entertain you with a unique form of entertainment that suits all ages. Awards will be made to the winners of the best Scarecrow, Decorated Home, Decorated Cake & Cupcakes, Garden on a Plate, Funny shaped Veg, and the Fun Run competitions. The Jubilee Grand Draw will be made.</p>

The End of the Kingsdon Diamond Jubilee Celebrations 2012

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Organiser for the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations 2022 !!!!

Wheelbarrow Race Rules

The Wheelbarrow / Pram race will be one of the events of the Jubilee Sports Day.

1. **Competitors** are required to bring their own pedestrian controlled vehicle such as a wheelbarrow or pram
2. **Wheelbarrows / Prams etc:** (henceforth known as a "barrow") These shall be, standard and unmodified. Bodywork, bearings, & chassis must be unmodified and be of secure & sturdy construction. No turbochargers are permitted !
3. **Safety Equipment** Each competitor must wear a cycle or motorcycle helmet
4. **COMPETITORS ARE TO BE DRUG & ALCOHOL FREE !**
5. **Public Liability Insurance** Competitors will not be covered by our Public Liability Insurance if a competitor acts negligently and injures another competitor or spectator - he may be sued. Competitors may wish to consider obtaining their own public liability insurance cover.

Notice for Parents - Bouncy Castle Safe Operating Procedure

Ensure that children are supervised at all times by a responsible adult
Ensure that footwear is removed (socks are ok)
Ensure all sharp objects are removed – this includes badges, jewellery, pens, purses, chains etc.
Spectacles/Glasses should be removed
No food or drink to be consumed on the inflatable
No Party Poppers, Face Paints, or Silly String to be used on or near the inflatable.
Children with a history of neck/back problems/brittle bones should not use the equipment
No one to play/bounce on the front step
Do not allow anyone to obstruct the front entrance or stand within the perimeter fence
Do not allow children to climb or hang from the walls
Somersaults and rough play is not be allowed
Activity should be watched and monitored at all times and children should be removed if play becomes rough.

Plant Sales

Well-done and a **Big Thank You** to Alex Davidson for his plant sale in the village hall on 19th May which raised a marvellous £93 for the Jubilee Fund.

And a **Big Thank You** also to Norma Black whose sale of plants from outside her house has raised a further £50 for the Jubilee Fund

Chic Photographic The Kingsdon Commemorative Mug

The Kingsdon Jubilee Fund has commissioned this special commemorative mug.
Designed and produced by Chic Photographic specially for Kingsdon to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.



The mugs are now
on sale at
£10 each.

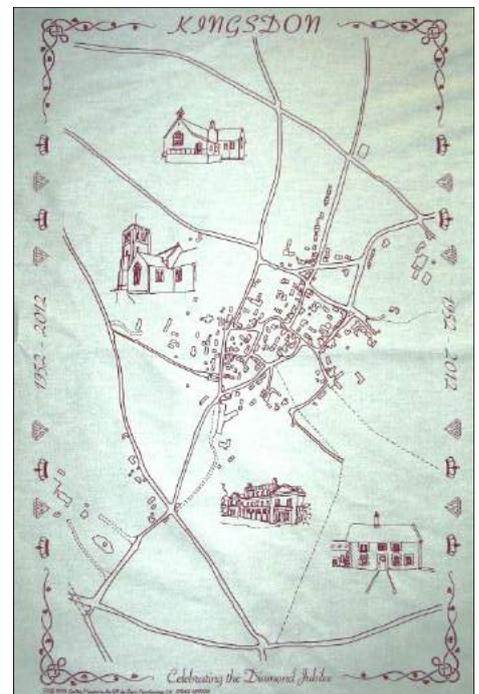
All profits go to
the Jubilee Fund



Chic Photographic is a small family run team with years of experience and qualifications in photography and customer services offering a reliable professional service to meet all your needs. Senior photographer Laura of Kingsdon is an award winning NCE qualified photojournalist. Find them at :-<http://www.chicphotographic.co.uk> or Tel. 07771 927354 or 07854 714003

The Kingsdon Jubilee Tea Towel

Designed by Tim & Elaine Owen for the Kingsdon Jubilee Fund. - Now on sale
only **£4 each**



KINGSDON'S CORONATION CELEBRATIONS

by Peter Crowter

I finished cleaning out the pigs and giving them clean bed,
When I met Fred who told me that he'd heard the king was dead.
'That means that young Elizabeth will sit upon the throne,
I wonder if she knows, I s'pect they've got her on the phone.'

They said in June was going to be the Coronation Day.
They're going to televise it so we heard the palace say.
My mother said, 'Here Joe, you're going to have to buy a telly.'
Wilf Chapman out at Charlton said I've got one I can sell 'ee.

My boss bought one before us t'was the first one that I saw,
Along with half a dozen blokes we stood and watched with awe.
T'was dustbin day so farmer said 'Come yer and look you lot.'
We all watched Andy Pandy and stood rooted to the spot.

The village thought they'd celebrate young Lizzie's special day,
We had a weekly meeting so each one could have there say.
Football and sports and a free lunch, a dance and lots of beer.
A bonfire high on Kingsdon Hill, yes that's a good idea.

Most people then had second thoughts, in June we heard them say,
'It don't get dark till very late, up there's a longish way.
We climb the hill, we watch the fire then down the hill we prance,
But that's no good, by then we could, have missed most of the dance.'

The meeting then decided to forget about the fire,
Except for Harry Parkinson, who thought that would be dire.
He said the site he'd chosen was an ancient Beacon Hill,
'That fact was most important, and have the fire we will!'

He was heavily outvoted, but still he wouldn't stop,
With only three supporters wouldn't let the matter drop.
He fell out with the chairman who had been his lifelong friend,
And to the local paper he did protest letters send.

He disrupted many meetings though he knew his case was thin,
He had so few supporters that he finally gave in.
He paid the price for after that a burden he did carry,
For many years, he suffered jeers, they called him 'Bonfire Harry.'

When all the dust had settled things went rapidly ahead,
What nearly was disaster was a huge success instead.
A whole days entertainment that went on from morn till late,
Kingsdon's best day ever, I can confidentially state.

We started with a football match, the ladies versus men,
The kids had sports and fancy dress and luncheon followed then.
We all sat in a big marquee the food and beer were free,
And more fun in the afternoon and then we had our tea.

And while all this was going on some people found the time,
(Cause if they missed the crowning t'would be nothing but a crime)
To rush off home and see the queen on twelve inch black and white.
Oh gosh it was exciting and a really lovely sight.

The dance was very popular and me and Don were queer,
Because it was the first time that we'd swallowed lots of beer.
The pub was out of bounds to us, the landlord wasn't green,
Fred Taswell knew that me and Don were only seventeen.

The folk who lived in Kingsdon on that Coronation Day
'T'was a day we all remember', I am sure they all will say.
'There never was a day like that when we had so much fun,
God bless the queen, God bless the queen, God bless us everyone.

Broadband Speed (or lack of it)

Having been the Officer in Charge of Ilchester Exchange for 15 Years I was surprised to read the Parish Council report of it being old and outdated. Ilchester Exchange building was built in the 80,s housing a TXE2 (Electronic Analogue) Exchange, which was later replaced with the modern digital Axe 10 Exchange.

The Axe 10 Exchange is used in most Rural Telephone Exchanges throughout the Country including Mobile Telephones.

Not all of Kingsdon I am told are dissatisfied with Broadband speeds – So what are the problems?

As far as B.T. are involved are the Cables feeding Kingsdon one being Copper and the other being Aluminium. Conductivity of Copper is much more efficient than Aluminium, both of which are used elsewhere.

Prior to Retirement I was also Computer Site Engineer for Wiltshire and Gloucester County Council as well as Wincanton Logistics – so feel qualified on discussing this subject.

Broadband efficiency is affected by several factors – i.e. The Telephone Line resistance, Items within the House connected to the Telephone line, and more commonly the Computer itself.

Telephone Line: - Line resistance is a problem that will affect speed, and the terminal needs to be within Three miles (as the cable runs) of the Exchange, hence the closer to the Exchange the lower the resistance the faster the speed. Corrosion or loose connections also give problems

Items within House:- All Items connected to the telephone line need to be filtered most people remember the individual plug in phones, but forget extension bells, Freeview boxes, Sky Satellite receivers and Fax Machines.

Computer: - Computers need regular user maintenance checks to maintain speeds, delete Cookies, unwanted files etc.

Operating systems since Windows 2000 have many programs running in the background using the internet - e.g. Windows upgrades, Virus checker upgrades, System upgrades etc. Turn off the unnecessary ones until needed. Memory or lack of it affects speed – a badly maintained computer will be full of rubbish from resident files.

B.T. is unlikely to single out Kingsdon for an upgrade of cables where no housing development is envisaged, as this is not cost effective.

Regards *Pete Attwell*

The Jubilee Marquee

The marquee is due to be erected on **Thursday** 31st May, arriving at 9am. Once the installation is completed by South West Marquees Ltd, we can then start preparing it for our celebrations.

Flags and Bunting around the field

This job will commence at 9.30am on Tuesday 29th May
All helpers welcome.

Thank you!



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HOSPICE

Home wanted for Zimmer Frames !!

Kingsdon has been given 6 Zimmer frames for use by anyone, resident or visitor, needing such a walking aid.

Storage space for these is required. If you have somewhere they can be stored till required please contact Norma Black at Park Villa, North Town, Kingsdon Tel 840727, email d-black1@live.co.uk

Kingsdon Cricket Club

The season started on a bad note with the wet weather and the failure of the opposition to raise a team causing the first three games on the fixture list to be called off. Once Kingsdon eventually took to the field, they record two straight wins against Dinder and Ditchat.

Sunday 13th May - Away at Dinder
Kingsdon 132 - 8 (J. Schofield 65, J. Russon 39)
Dinder 120 (N. Price 4 - 20, I. Birrell 3 - 5)

Sunday 20th May - Home to Ditchat
Kingsdon 177 - 7 (N./ Price 91, K. Morgan 29)
Ditchat 99 (N. Price 3 - 9)

The next home game will be on Sunday 27th May with the Kingsdon Cricket Club pairs competition.

On Sunday 3rd June there will be a home game versus Witham Friary commencing at 11am. This will be a 20/20 game

Kingsdon Ladies Club Tuesday 8th May 2012.

The meeting was opened by Lynne Davies at 7.30pm. She introduced us to Pat Bowcock – daughter of one of our members Margaret Bowcock – who gave us a talk and slides on Permaculture.

Pat told us about the 5 acre water meadow she bought 13 years ago, in a small village in Dorset, and with the help of volunteers locally and from all over the world, has transformed it into the amazing place it is today. It has 2 ponds, raised flower beds, a poly-tunnel and an area of woodland which produces enough firewood to keep her warm through the winter. The irrigation system using the ponds & sluice gates makes the chore of watering easier by flooding the area around the raised flower beds and water garden. A volunteer has installed a solar operated pump to water the poly-tunnel.

Pat runs courses attracting people from many parts of the world who want to learn about permaculture and her way of sustainable living without mains water and electricity. School children come from a wide area to learn and explore the wild life.

We are hoping to arrange another visit to the field soon, so please express your interest at the next Ladies meeting which will be held on June 12th at 7.30pm, when the speaker will be – Dot Piper – on Hearing Dogs. New members are welcome.

Kingsdon Seniors Club

The Monthly meeting was held on Wednesday 23rd May. Douglas Higson welcomed 23 members. After announcements the guest speaker, James Elliott was introduced.



James is a retired Chief Superintendent of the Merseyside Police, now living in Taunton.

James's talk was on his visit to Chile, Brazil and Argentina. He showed a slide show of his amazing photographs accompanied with music, of the scenery, wild-life, people and their towns and villages including scenes of the

Cape of Good Hope and the Glaciers.

There were plenty of questions from the floor at the end. James also had with him his cameras that go with him on all his expeditions. His next trip in June will see him spending a month in Alaska.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 27th June at 3pm in the Village Hall when the guest speaker will be Stephen Davis - 'The History of the Thames River Police'

Visitors and new members are welcome



Perito Moreno Glacier

Where were the first modern Olympics held? - At Much Wenlock, Shropshire, in 1850. The games were held there annually and inspired Baron Coubertin to organise the Athens Olympiad of 1896: 'Much Wenlock is a town in Shropshire, a county on the borders of Wales, and if the Olympic Games that modern Greece has not yet been able to revive still survive today, it is due not to a Greek, but to Dr W. P. Brookes.'

Brookes believed a rigorous programme of physical training would help make people better Christians by keeping them out of the pubs. His knowledge of the ancient Olympics inspired him to found the Much Wenlock Society for the Promulgation of Physical Culture in 1841.

The first of the annual 'Brookes' Olympian Games' was held in 1850 with small cash prizes for running, long jump, football, quoits and cricket. Other events were gradually added, such as a blindfold wheelbarrow race, a pig race and a medieval tilting contest. Winners were crowned with laurel wreaths and medallions inscribed with Nike, the Greek goddess of victory.

The fame of the Wenlock Olympics quickly spread, attracting entries from all parts of Britain. They were even noticed in Athens and King George I of the Hellenes sent a silver medal to be awarded as a prize.

With visions of reviving the ancient games on an international scale, Brookes founded the National (British) Olympic Association in 1865 and staged its first games at the Crystal Palace in London. Without sponsors, it was snubbed by the leading sportsmen of the day. In 1888 Brookes began a correspondence with Baron Coubertin. In 1890, the Baron came to see the Wenlock Games for himself, planting an oak that still stands in the village. He returned home determined to re-establish the ancient games, founding the International Olympic Committee in 1894. Through his wealth, prestige and political connections, Coubertin succeeded where Brookes had failed. He staged the first international revival of the games in Athens in the summer of 1896. Dr Brookes had died the previous year, aged 86. The Wenlock Games are still held annually in his honour.

An elderly couple was in bed one night and the woman woke up from a bad dream. She was scared and panicking. Her husband awoke and turned the light on to calm her. He asked what was wrong. She said "I had a dream that I died and you got remarried." she asked him "if I died tomorrow would you get remarried?" he said "sure, I don't want to spend the rest of my life lonely." then she asked "well would you two live in this house?" he replied "sure, we just got finished paying off our mortgage." she asked again, angry now "well would she sleep in this bed?" he snickered and said "yes, of course, this bed is brand new and expensive, there's no reason to rid of it." she asked irately, "well would she use my golf clubs?" he replied with a straight, serious face.....
 "no. She's left handed."

At a divorce court a family of bears is waiting for the judge to grant custody of little bear.
 The judge asks the baby bear; "do you want to live with papa bear?" The baby bear replied; "No he beats me. " The judge asked, so do you want to live with mommy bear! The baby bear said, "No she beats me too." The judge asked, "Then whom do you want to live with?" The baby bear says, "The Chicago bears, they don't beat anyone!"

STAY ALERT! They walk among us...
 When my husband and I arrived at our local Ford dealer to pick up our Car, we were told the keys had been locked in it. We went to the Service Department and found a mechanic working feverishly to unlock the Driver's door. As I watched from the passenger side, I instinctively tried the door Handle and discovered that it was unlocked. 'Hey,' I announced to the Fitter/Mechanic, 'it's open!' His reply: 'I know. I already did that side.'

The traffic light on the corner buzzes when it's on red and safe to cross the road. I was crossing with an intellectually challenged friend of mine. She asked if I knew what the buzzer was for. I explained that it signals blind people when the light is red. Appalled, she responded, 'What on earth are blind people doing driving?'

My daughter went to a local Kentucky Fried Chicken and ordered a Taco. She Asked the person behind the counter for 'minimal lettuce.' He said he was sorry, but they only had Iceberg Lettuce.

I live in a semi-rural area. We recently had a new neighbour call the Highways Department to request the removal of the 'DEER CROSSING' sign On our road.
 The reason: 'Too many deer are being hit by cars on this stretch of road! I don't Think this is a good place for them to be crossing anymore.'

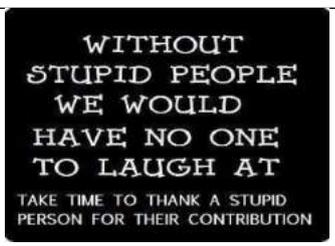
My daughter and I went through the McDonald's take-out window and I gave the clerk a £5 note. Our total was £4.20, so I also handed her a 20 pence piece. She said, 'You gave me too much money.' I said, 'Yes I know, but this way you can just give me £1 back.'
 She sighed and went to get the Manager who asked me to repeat my request. I did so, and he handed me back the 20 pence and said 'We're sorry but we do not do that kind of thing.' The clerk then proceeded to give me back 80 pence in change..

One day a boy asked his grandpa "grandpa make a frog sound" The grandfather asked why? The boy said, "Grandma says when you croak we are going to Hawaii"

Well one day Harry the Eagle waited at the nest for Mary, his darling of 10 glorious years.
 After a while when she didn't return he went looking and found her. She had been shot dead!
 Harry was devastated, but after about six minutes of mourning he decided that he must get himself another mate, but since there weren't any lady eagles available he'd have to cross the feather barrier.
 So he flew off to find a new mate. He found a lovely dove and brought her back to the nest.
 But all the dove would say is 'I am a DOVE, I want to love! I am a DOVE, I want to love!' Well this so got on Harry's nerves so he kicked the dove out of the nest and flew off once more to find a mate..
 He soon found a very sexy loon and brought her back to the nest.. but all the loon would say is.....
 'I am a LOON, I want to spoon! I am a LOON, I want to spoon!' So out with the loon.

Once more he flew off to find a mate. This time he found a gorgeous duck and he brought the duck back to the nest. This time, all the duck would say was.....
 NO, The duck didn't say THAT ! ... Don't be SO disgusting!
 The duck said.... 'I am a DRAKE, You made a MISTAKE!!

This man in a Ford Granada pulls up next to a guy in a Rolls Royce at a stop sign. Their windows are open and he yells at the guy in the Rolls: "Hey, you got a telephone in there?" The guy in the Rolls says, "Yes, of course I do." "I got one too... see?" "Uh, huh, yes, that's very nice." Then the man in the Granada says, "You got a fax machine?" "Why, actually, yes, I do." "I do too! See? It's right here!" "Uh-huh." The light is just about to turn green and the guy in the Granada says, "So, do YOU have a double bed in back there?" And the guy in the Rolls says, "NO! Do you?" "Yep, got my double bed right in back here — see?!" The light turns and the man in the Granada takes off. Well, the guy in the Rolls is not about to be one-upped, so he goes immediately to a customizing shop and orders them to put a double bed in back of his car. About two weeks later, the job is finally done and he picks up his car and drives all over town looking for the Granada. He finally finds it parked alongside the road so he pulls his Rolls up next to it. The windows on the Granada are all fogged up and he feels a little awkward about it, but he gets out of his newly modified Rolls and taps on the foggy window of the Granada. The man in the Granada finally opens the window a crack and peeks out. The guy in the Rolls says, "Hey. Remember me?" "Yeah, yeah, I remember you. What's up?" "Check this out — I got a double bed installed in my Rolls." And the man in the Granada says, "YOU GOT ME OUT OF THE SHOWER TO TELL ME THAT?!"



Celibacy can be a choice in life, or a condition imposed by circumstances.
 While attending a 'Harmony for Couples' weekend, Dave and his partner, Ann, listened to the instructor declare,
 "It is essential that husbands and wives know the things that are important to each other." He then addressed the men, "Can you name and describe your wife's favourite flower ?"
 Dave leaned over, touched Ann's arm gently, smiled and whispered, "It's Homepride, isn't it ?" Thus began Dave's life of celibacy.

Recycling Plastic Items

Why only plastic bottles

Somerset Waste Partnership collections at the kerbside and recycling sites can only accept household plastic bottles for recycling, but **not** pots, tubs, trays or film as end-use markets for these are limited. And no bottle tops please.

Why not other types of plastics

The reason we only collect plastic bottles is that most UK reprocessors are currently only able to sort and supply plastic bottles to manufacturers for recycling and the end-users for other types of plastics are limited. The market situation appears to be slowly starting to change and a few plastic sorters are accepting other types of household plastic, but the end-use markets for other plastics are still very limited and most reprocessors are still only able to accept plastic bottles.

Even when other types of container are labelled as being made from the same type of plastic, the grade may be different and the two cannot be recycled together, which, for instance, is the case with bottles and microwave trays made from PET (Polyethylene terephthalate). However, even if they were the same grade, reprocessors are not able yet to sort out all the different types of plastics. This situation is further complicated because even the same packaging can be made from different materials; so, for instance, some yoghurt pots are made from PS (Polystyrene) and some are now made using PET.



Unfortunately, some recycling symbols on plastics do not provide a guide to whether they can be recycled, just to the type of plastic.

Somerset Waste Partnership continues to review the opportunities for collecting other or mixed plastics and will add these to our collections if this can be afforded and there are reliable end-use markets available, preferably in the UK.

But, at the moment, our message is simple and we can only take plastic bottles. The only exceptions, due to their previous contents, are plastic bottles used for garden or DIY chemicals or engine oil, which should be excluded. Otherwise, we can take all types of plastic bottle.

Why no bottle tops

Tops are often a different type of plastic to the bottle. They also cause problems when baling plastic bottles, as some bottles are so strong that with tops on they cannot be flattened, even in an industrial baler. The pressure from baled bottles with tops on can cause bales to burst open, so that they have to be baled again, adding to costs and creating handling difficulties.

The result of good recycling

Most recent figures, for 2010-11, show that thanks to residents carefully sorting what they put in their recycling boxes, there are very “clean streams” of materials. This has resulted in well over 1,425 tonnes of household plastic bottles being recycled into packaging, films, pipes, compost bins and fleece jackets.

All other plastic items go in your wheelie Bin please

Information and photograph courtesy of WRAP

50 mph Speed Limit on B3151

While driving back from Ilchester recently I notice that the B3151 now has a 50mph speed limit from Taranto Hill to Red Post – heading up through Rocky Hill toward Street.

The 50 mph signs have only been attached to existing road signs obviously to save money – making their spacing very irregular.

This raises two questions:- Are these speed limit signs legal being so irregular and so far apart? and is Kingsdon now considered a 50mph area - as there are no speed cancellation signs anywhere within the village, also being a built up area does it require speed signs? Can anyone enlighten me? *Pete Attwell*

The answer to these and other questions concerning traffic speed in and around Kingsdon will be in the next Chronicle



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**Wednesday 6th June
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Orders also taken by Angela at Kingsdon Stores

Visit Paul's new shop 'Bargain Basement' in West

Kingsdon Neighbourhood Watch

The History of Neighbourhood Watch

Avon and Somerset Constabulary has been committed to Neighbourhood Watch since it was first introduced in this country in 1982. Since then it has grown to be the largest voluntary group in the country.

What is Neighbourhood Watch?

The purpose of Neighbourhood Watch is to unite neighbourhoods in an effort to prevent crime, by protecting and enhancing their environment and generally looking out for each other's properties. Working in partnership with the local Neighbourhood Policing Teams gives Neighbourhood Watches a way of dealing with many issues affecting their communities, such as anti-social behaviour, burglary and vehicle crime.

Avon and Somerset Constabulary recognises that Neighbourhood Watch schemes play a vital role in preventing crime and improving a community and through our local Neighbourhood Watch Administrators and Neighbourhood Policing Teams, we work closely with residents and local organisations to support and increase membership across the force area.

In Avon and Somerset we have Ringmaster, a dedicated Watch messaging system, operated by dedicated local Neighbourhood Watch Administrators, as well as an HQ-based Development Officer. Ringmaster allows us to relay important information to watches efficiently, increasing the opportunity for greater awareness and quality intelligence.

We have approximately 5,000 Neighbourhood Watch schemes covering some thirty percent of households. Nationally there are approximately 155,000 schemes covering up to six million households.

In addition to the Neighbourhood Watch, the constabulary supports over twenty different sorts of watches including Pub Watch, Church Watch, Horse Watch and Business Watch.

Our statistics show that:

you are four times less likely to be burgled if you are a member of a Watch scheme.

Neighbourhood Watch brings communities together to tackle problems such as burglary, vandalism, anti-social behaviour and vehicle crime.

Neighbourhood Watch encourages a sense of security amongst you and your neighbours and knowing that you are keeping an eye on each other's property gives reassurance, particularly for those who feel vulnerable.

Local Neighbourhood Policing Teams work closely with Neighbourhood Watches to ensure that up to date crime prevention advice and initiatives are made available to keep your home safe.

you may qualify for a discount on your home insurance premiums if you are a member of a registered scheme.

Kingsdon is divided into 12 areas with a designated contact for each area

<p>AREA 1 Contact John Curtis 01935 840898</p> <p>Chalice House Frog Lane Innes House Lower Road Holly House Frog Lane Kingsdon Inn Chapel Hill Langlands Farm Frog Lane Lower Barn Frog Lane Manor Park Villas Frog Lane Contact John Curtis Ridge House Frog Lane Park Farmhouse Lower Road Park House Frog Lane West Barn Frog Lane</p> <p>AREA 2 Contact Keith Thomas 01935 840555</p> <p>35 School Road Contact Keith Thomas 37 Copper Beach Road 41 Copper Beach Road 42 Copper Beach Road 43 The Swallows Silver Street 44 Verleys Thatch Copper Beach Road Beechcroft Copper Beach Road Kingsdon House Copper Beach Road Sakuru Chapel Hill The Lodge School Road</p>	<p>AREA 3, 4, 5 & 12 Contact Martin Singleton 01935 841162</p> <p>7 Chapel Hill 8 The Old Store Chapel Hill 9 The Tall House Chapel Hill 10 Chapel Hill 12 Chapel Hill 13 Lattice Cottage Chapel Hill 14 Middle Street Batu Cottage Chapel Hill Farm Barton Chapel Hill Manor Farm House Middle Street Mys-Du Chapel Hill Rosemullion Middle Street The Farthings Chapel Hill The Old Bakery Chapel Hill The Old Chapel Chapel Hill</p> <p>AREA 4</p> <p>17 Cheriton Cottage Middle Street April Cottage Middle Street Kings House Middle Street Mountsandel Lodge Mow Barton Road Pendle Middle Street Rowley Barton Middle Street The Manse Middle Street The Tithe Barn Middle Street Thurstan Old Tithe Barn Mow Barton Road</p>
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AREA 5

19 Manor Cottage Mow Barton Road
 20 Mow Barton Road
 21 North Town
 24 Blue Lias North Town
 25 North Town
 26 North Town
 27 North Town
 28 Stithians Cottage North Town
 Boschetto North Town
 Park Villas North Town
 The Cottage Kingsdon Nursery Gardens North Town
 Threeways Middle Street
 Waylands Cottage North Street

AREA 6 Contact Mel Clode - 01935 840293

29 Underwood Road
 30 Underwood Road
 Heron View Underwood Road
 1 Underwood Road
 2 Underwood Road
 3 Underwood Road
 4 Underwood Road
 5 Underwood Road
 6 Underwood Road
 7 Underwood Road **Contact Mel Clode**
 8 Underwood Road
 9 Underwood Road
 10 Underwood Road
 1 Cary Way (Underwood Road)
 2 Cary Way (Underwood Road)
 3 Cary Way (Underwood Road)

AREA 7 Contact Tony Masters - 01935 840801

1 Henley Road
 2
 3
 4
 4 Cary Way (Lotment Hill)
 5
 6
 7
 8
 Alderley Edge Pitts Lane
 Delimara Pitts Lane
 Keepers Cottage Pitts Lane
 Highfield Henley Road
 Jacaranda Lotment Hill **Contact Tony Masters**
 Sunnyside Farm Henley Road
 The Barns Pitts Lane

AREA 8 & 9 Contact Wally Elliott - 01935 841444

2 Manor Road
 3
 4
 5
 6
 1 Manor Close
 2
 3
 4 **Contact Wally Elliott**
 5
 6

AREA 8 cont.

39 Lapford Silver Street
 40 Silver Street
 1 Manor Barns Manor Road
 2
 3

AREA 9

Brincil Cottage Brincil Hill
 Damar House off Manor Road
 Drewenna Manor Road
 Gardeners Cottage off Manor Road
 Hill House Rocky Hill
 Kingsdon Court Rocky Hill
 Kingsdon Manor
 Manor Lodge Rocky Hill
 2 School House Kingsdon Manor
 Shearstone House off Manor Road
 Springfield House Brincil House
 The Estate Yard off Manor Road
 West House Kingsdon Manor
 Woodlands Rocky Hill

AREA 10 Contact Sally Smith - 01935 842094

1 Paddock View Manor Road
 49 Bramble Cottage Silver Street
 50 Silver Street
 56 Inglenook Silver Street
 Arnour Top Street
 Bervinda Top Street
 Cattistock Top Street
 Cottage Barn Top Street
 Cottage Farmhouse off Top Street
 Court Cottage off Top Street
 Farm Cottage off Top Street
 Holly Cottage off Top Street
 The Forge Top Street
 Orchard House Top Street
 Old Rectory Cottage Top Street
 The Old Coach House - Western Farm Top Street (behind church)
Contact Sally Smith
 Westgate Top Street

AREA 11 Contact Steve Biesty 01935 841789

31 Top Street
 32 Top Street
 32A Top Street
 34 Church Path Cottage Top Street **Contact Steve Biesty**
 Chatsworth Top Street
 Oak Cottage Top Street
 The Stores Top Street
 Stoneleigh Farmhouse School Road
 Summerhill Top Street
 The Old Rectory Kingsdon Hill

AREA 12 (New development on Park Farm) Contact Martin Singleton 01935 841162

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Anonymous Letter

An anonymous letter has been sent to Somerset County Council in Taunton from a “Kingsdon resident” complaining of children running around the old school and saying the Parish Council should put up chains and locks on all the gates. .

The following is a response from Dr Jo Nicholl.

‘My children are two of the apparent "law breakers" and I have to say that if someone cannot put their name behind a complaint then it should probably go straight in the bin!

Several of the parents made a decision to allow their children to wait in the old school for the bus to Charlton Mackrell School in the mornings, as it is much safer than the side of the road by the village shop.

The County Council have now approved this as an additional stop for the bus to allow this to happen, so they are already aware and did not have a problem with it, when I spoke to them on the phone a couple of weeks ago.

One would think that as another Kingsdon resident made such a fuss about the school taxi blocking the road by the village shop last year, that they would be pleased that we were trying to use another stop.

The children do have a bit of a run around in the mornings but it is a playground and so they are not exactly causing damage! I really wish these small minded people would either have the decency to put their name on the bottom of the letter or just zip it!

As the governor representing Kingsdon from the school, I would be happy to come to the meeting on Thursday if there is going to be a big fuss over this but if the majority of other members of the parish council feel the need to treat this silly comment, with the contempt that it deserves, then there is probably no need. Feel free to read out my comments though as, unlike some people, I am more than happy to be named and stand by them’

Joanne Nicholl

Marathon des Sables up-date

As reported in the last Chronicle, Kingsdon resident Andre Milne with his friend James Birchall, both in the Royal Navy stationed at Yeovilton, have successfully competed in this years Sahara Marathon.

The Marathon des Sables (Marathon of the Sands, or Sahara Marathon) is a six-day, 251 km (156 mi) ultramarathon, which is the equivalent of six regular marathons. This multiday race is held every year in southern Morocco, in the Sahara desert. It is considered the toughest foot race on Earth. The first event of the Marathon started in 1986.

James and Andre were running to raise money for the ‘Children's Trust’. Their target was to raise £12,000

At the time of going to press their successful endeavour has raised £20,300 and with a few more donations to come in they are hoping to reach £21K

This includes £2,000 from William Hill who bet on them to finish and £500 from their old school (Plymouth College)



Kingsdon Parish Councillors and their Specific Topics

Tony Masters: Chair man - Jacaranda, Lotment Hill, Kingsdon, TA11 7LG Tel 01935 840801
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Sally Smith Clerk to Kingsdon Parish Council, The Old Coach House, Top Street, Kingsdon..
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Planning Matters

Planning Application concerning Glenda Spooner Farm, Brincil Hill, Kingsdon.

The following is an extract from the Draft Minutes of the Area East Committee meeting held on 11th April 2012

RESOLVED:

That application reference 08/01550/FUL be approved as per the officers recommendation subject to:

(a) the prior completion of a section 106 planning obligation (in a form acceptable to the Council's solicitor (s)) before the decision notice granting planning permission is issued, the said planning obligation to secure the following:

1. Make alterations to Brincil Hill at the site entrance to make it virtually impossible for vehicles to turn left out of or right into the site.
2. Provide a system of road signs directing traffic to Glenda Spooner Farm by the most appropriate routes.
3. Install traffic counters in appropriate locations to measure any increase in traffic and provide details to the Local Planning Authority at regular intervals.
4. In the event of the traffic flow into the access increasing to the appropriate level, fully fund the installation of a Ghost Island Right Turn Lane at the junction of Brincil Hill and the A372.
5. Widening works to Brincil Hill between the site access and the A372
6. To secure the non-fragmentation of the holding (to prevent the land being sold off into separate parcels and creating individual uses taking place)

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**Application No:** 12/01377/TCA

**Type of application:** Tree(s) in Conservation Area

**Proposal:** Notification of intent to fell a Pear tree within a conservation area (GR: 351687/126248

**Address:** Oak Cottage, Top Street, Kingsdon, Somerton, Somerset, TA11 7JU.

**Status:** Application Permitted

**This is an abbreviated version of the minutes of the Kingsdon Parish Council's  
Annual Meeting and Bi-monthly Meeting  
held on Thursday 10th May 2012 at 7pm in the Village Hall**

**Annual Meeting**

**Present:** A.Masters (Chairman), Messrs. A. Colton, R Holloway, D Morris, M. Clode, Mrs A Saunders, Mrs E Owen (Parish Councillors); Mr. J. Calvert (District Councillor); Mrs. S Smith (Parish Clerk).

Apologies:, Mr J Zouche (County Councillor)

There were 16 Parishioners present.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed read, approved and signed.

**Matters arising**

**1. Election of Chairman**

Nominations for the position of Chairman of Kingsdon Parish Council were called for.

Tony Masters was proposed by Mr M Clode and seconded by Mrs A Saunders.

**There were no other nominations and Mr T Masters was duly elected.**

**2. Election of Deputy Chairman**

Nominations for the position of Deputy Chairman of Kingsdon Parish Council were called for.

Mrs. A Saunders was proposed by Mr M Clode and seconded by Mr R Holloway.

**There were no other nominations and Mrs A Saunders was duly elected.**

**2. Confirmation of Councillors, sub-committees and representatives**

It was confirmed that Mr P. Leahy was Chairman of the Community Centre sub-committee.

Mr M Clode agreed to continue with the position of SSDC Parish Environmental Warden.

**3. Confirmation of Councillors' specific areas of responsibility**

These were confirmed including:

Village Hall - Mr R Holloway

Footpaths - Mr D Morris

Tree warden - Mr D Morris

Field Maintenance - Mr R Holloway

Highways - Mr A Colton

Parish Plan and Website - Mrs E Owen

**4. Presentation of accounts**

The Clerk, Mrs S Smith, presented the Annual Accounts for Kingsdon Parish.

**The Bank balances at the start of the year in April 2011 had been:**

Account 70554340 (Everyday account): £2343 24p.

Account 30340251 (Savings Account): £2714 29p

Account 53247953 (Children's Account): £1122 84p.

**Total: £6160 37p.**

**Income in year:**

Total: £5,694. 41p

9 transactions (highest income: Precept of £5000).

**Outgoings in year:**

Total: £5,763. 05p

29 Transactions (highest outgoing: Groundwork Southwest £1,500).

**The Bank balances at the end of the year in March 2012 had been:**

Account 70554340 (Everyday account): £271 17p.

Account 30340251 (Savings Account): £4717 72p

Account 53247953 (Children's Account): £1122 84p.

**Total: £6111 73p.**

Mrs. S Smith said the Council's estimation of annual outgoings and the setting of the precept for the year had been surprisingly accurate. She said that while the current figures showed that expenditure was £68. 64p more than income, there was still some moneys due in for the year including VAT rebates and therefore finally there would be a slight surplus for the year.

She said that at year start April 1<sup>st</sup> 2012 Kingsdon Parish had £6111.73p total in the bank with a further £5,500 due from the Annual Precept.

Mrs S Smith said the books were open for anyone to see and she would now be presenting the books for official annual audit.

**5. Future meeting dates**

These were agreed as follows:

Thursday July 12<sup>th</sup> 2012  
Thursday November 8<sup>th</sup> 2012  
Thursday March 14<sup>th</sup> 2013  
Thursday May 9<sup>th</sup> 2012 (AGM)

Thursday September 13<sup>th</sup> 2012  
Thursday January 10<sup>th</sup> 2013  
Thursday April 11<sup>th</sup> 2013 (Annual Parish Meeting)

### **Bi-Monthly Meeting:**

- 6.1 Report from sub-committee re use of old school. Currently still being discussed by SSDC.
  - 7.1 Field maintenance. More repairs needed to field wall.
  - 8.0 Jubilee tree planting plan underway.
  - 7.0 Calming measures being introduced for village including a flashing speed sign.
  - 9.1 Village plan now submitted to SSDC.
  - 10.2 Manor School Development, progress report was given. No detailed plans as yet.
  - 10.3 Village website. Currently down but being done on a voluntary basis..
  - 10.4 Speed of internet in the village, situation at Ilchester exchange to be investigated.
  - 10.5 Jubilee Update. Ticket sales going well and need to be purchased early.
  - 10.6. Anonymous letter of complaint, no support and no action to be taken.
  - 10.7 BT Telephone box outside school. BT to be contacted re repairs
  - 10.8 New notice board for site outside old school available free of charge.
  - 10.9 Person still required to take over position of Village Clerk
  - 10.10 Rent for village field increased by Greenslade Taylor Hunt from £330 a year to £430 a year.
- Various cheques signed.

**There was no further business as itemised on the agenda and the meeting closed at 8.30pm.**

## **KINGSDON PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE**

It is great to see so many residents of Kingsdon coming to the bi-monthly council meetings. Everyone is always very welcome indeed. Just to clarify, basically only items that are on the official Agenda before each meeting can be officially discussed.

Any Parishioner who would like something discussed at a Kingsdon Parish Council meeting just needs to let a Councillor or the Clerk know and they can authorise it to be on the Agenda.

Agendas for meetings are posted three days in advance of the meeting on the Village Notice Boards.

And..... we are still looking for a new village Clerk!

Thanks

Sally Smith  
Clerk to Kingsdon Parish Council.

**The next Kingsdon Parish Council Meeting will be on  
Thursday 12th July at 7pm in the Village Hall**

## All Saints Church

### Priest in Charge

Revd Alan Symonds Tel/Fax 01458 272029 (For arrangement of Baptisms, Weddings and other occasional services)

### Assistant Priest

Revd Wendy Griffith Tel 01458 224087

### Curate

Revd Bruce Faulkner Tel 01458 270902

### Church Wardens

David Beswick. Tel 01935 840795

### Parochial Church Council

Secretary Nicholas J. Allan Tel 01935 840878 Treasurer Alan Carnall Tel 01935 840692

### Tower Captain

Jackie Ellis Tel 01935 840344

### Church Services for June

|        |      |      |                                        |
|--------|------|------|----------------------------------------|
| Sunday | 3rd  | 11am | Jubilee Songs of Praise in the Marquee |
| Sunday | 10th | 11am | Holy Communion                         |
| Sunday | 17th | 11am | Holy Communion 6pm Evensong            |
| Sunday | 24th | 10am | Benefice Holy Communion (C. Adam)      |

### Church Rotas for June

#### Brass:

Jill Waters

#### Flowers:

Sue Mackay & Kate Quinlan

## Kingsdon Village Hall

For all information (except bookings) contact: - Martin Singleton, Mountsandel Lodge, Mow Barton Rd. Kingsdon. TA11 7LG Tel. 01935 841162

For bookings contact Marilyn Elliott, 4 Manor Close, Kingsdon, TA11 7LW Tel 01935 841444

Email marilyn.elliott@hotmail.co.uk

### Bookings for June 2012

#### Short Mat Bowls

Mondays 7pm - 9pm not 4th, Tuesdays 10am - 12noon

#### Table Tennis Club

Tuesdays at 7.30pm (not 12th)

#### Yeovil District Canine Soc.

Wednesdays at 8pm and every Friday 2pm - 4pm as from 11th

#### Art Club

Thursdays 10am - 12 (Term time)

#### Band Practice

Sundays at 5pm

#### Ladies Club

Tuesday 12th 7pm

#### Practical Study Group

Wednesday 20th 10am - 3pm

#### Seniors Club

Wednesday 27th at 3pm

## Kingsdon Table Tennis Club

The Table Tennis Club play in the Village Hall on Tuesday evenings (apart from the 2nd Tuesday in the month) between 7.30pm and 9.30pm. If you are interested then please contact Shirley or Martin Singleton on 841162 or just come along.

## Kingsdon Cricket Club

**Secretary:** Marilyn Elliott

4 Manor Close, Kingsdon, Somerton, TA11 7LW Tel 01935 841444

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**President:** Wally Elliott

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**Chairman:** Ian Birrell,

Watersmeet, Huish Episcopi, Langport TA10 9HE Tel 01458 250246

### Fixtures for June

**Sunday 3rd**

**11am Home to Witham Friary T20 game**

**Sunday 10th**

**2.30pm Away to Pitney**

**Sunday 17th**

**2.30pm Away to Witham Friary**

**Sunday 24th**

**2.30pm Home to Langport**

## Kingsdon Seniors Club

The Seniors Club meet on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 3pm in the Village Hall. New members are always welcome.

For information contact Club Secretary Marilyn Elliott, 4 Manor Close, Kingsdon.

Tel 01935 841444

## Kingsdon Ladies Club

The Ladies Club meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. New members and visitors are always welcome.

For information contact Club President Lynne Davies, Holly House, Frog Lane, Kingsdon. TA11 7LL Tel 01935 840660 or

Club Secretary Jackie Ellis, Hill House, Rocky Hill, Kingsdon. TA11 7LB Tel 01935 840344

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**We will be open all day on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Monday 4<sup>th</sup> of June**

**Enjoy a cream tea in the garden from 3 till 5 on the Sunday!**

## The Kingsdon Inn Jubilee menu

Potato and watercress soup with crème fraîche and brioche £4.95

Chicken and pancetta raviolo with a tarragon and vermouth velouté £6.25

Cornish crab risotto, plum tomato sorbet and basil oil £6.25

Roasted black fig and marinated feta cheese salad £5.95

Seared smoked salmon, roasted peppers, tapenade and herb salad £5.95

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Pan fried sea bass, roasted bell peppers, homemade linguine, river eel

mussels, basil and white wine chowder £14.95

Crispy battered haddock fillet with three cooked, hand cut chips, crushed peas,

salad leaves and tartare sauce £11.95

12 hour braised pork belly with baby carrots and spinach, caramelised

apple and a honey and lavender dressing £12.95

8 oz. Sirloin steak, roast cherry vine tomatoes, grilled field mushrooms,

hand cut chips and béarnaise sauce £15.95

Locally made sausages with creamed potato and a caramelised

red onion gravy £9.95

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White chocolate parfait, champagne jelly and roasted strawberries £6.25

Almond and raspberry tart with Cornish clotted cream ice cream £5.95

Sticky toffee pudding with ginger ice cream and butterscotch £5.95

A selection of local cheese, crackers, chutney and fresh fruits £7.50

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**We will be open all day on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Monday 4<sup>th</sup> of June**

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## LATE NEWS

I have just received the following email from Colin Fletcher, Somerset County Council Area Traffic Engineer in response to my email concerning the new speed limit on the B3151.

Dear Wally

Thank you for your Email dated 18 May 2012.

You will appreciate that this is an extensive scheme extending from Ilchester to Street with a large number of posts / signs to be erect. Work is progressing well and I anticipate completion within two or three weeks.

Where there is any junction leading from the B3151 it is necessary to erect de-restriction signs unless of course there is an existing speed limit. However de-restriction does not imply that you can drive at a higher speed. As always all drivers have an obligation to exercise the correct judgement as to what is a safe speed given the nature of the road and the conditions at the time. This of course constantly changes.

In a 50 mph speed limit repeater signs have to be erected at least every 450 metres.

I hope that clarifies matters.

Regards

Colin Fletcher

Area Traffic Engineer